

LAKE REGION SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MAINE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT NO. 61  
Bridgton - Casco - Naples - Sebago

WARRANT

TO: Cathy E. Gerrish, a resident of Maine School Administrative District No. 61 in the County of Cumberland and the State of Maine:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Maine School Administrative District No. 61 in said county and state qualified by law to vote in School Administrative District No. 61 affairs to meet at the gymnasium of the Lake Region High School in the Town of Bridgton on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1: To elect a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

**ARTICLES 2 THROUGH 12 AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURES IN COST CENTER CATEGORIES**

Article 2: Regular Instruction: To see what sum Maine School Administrative District No. 61 will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction Programs for the 2017-18 fiscal year.

The Board of School Directors recommends \$10,649,678.

Article 3: Special Education: To see what sum Maine School Administrative District No. 61 will be authorized to expend for Special Education for the 2017-18 fiscal year.

The Board of School Directors recommends \$5,156,373.

Article 4: Career and Technical Education: To see what sum Maine School Administrative District No. 61 will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education for the 2017-18 fiscal year.

The Board of School Directors recommends \$1,471,283.

Article 5: Other Instruction: To see what sum Maine School Administrative District No. 61 will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction for the 2017-18 fiscal year.

The Board of School Directors recommends \$570,242.

Article 6: Student and Staff Support: To see what sum Maine School Administrative District No. 61 will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support for the 2017-18 fiscal year.

The Board of School Directors recommends \$2,608,393.

Article 7: System Administration: To see what sum Maine School Administrative District No. 61 will be authorized to expend for System Administration for the 2017-18 fiscal year.

The Board of School Directors recommends \$909,096.

Article 8: School Administration: To see what sum Maine School Administrative District No. 61 will be authorized to expend for School Administration for the 2017-18 fiscal year?

The Board of School Directors recommends \$1,480,666.

Article 9: Transportation and Buses: To see what sum Maine School Administrative District No. 61 will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses for the 2017-18 fiscal year.

The Board of School Directors recommends \$1,730,239.

Article 10: Facilities Maintenance: To see what sum Maine School Administrative District No. 61 will be authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance for the 2017-18 fiscal year.

The Board of School Directors recommends \$3,413,307.

Article 11: Debt Service and Other Commitments: To see what sum Maine School Administrative District No. 61 will be authorized to expend for Debt Service and Other Commitments for the 2017-18 fiscal year.

The Board of School Directors recommends \$2,048,343.

Article 12: All Other Expenditures: To see what sum Maine School Administrative District No. 61 will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures, including School Lunch and Community Use of Facilities for the 2017-18 fiscal year.

The Board of School Directors recommends \$150,000.

**ARTICLES 13 THROUGH 15 RAISE FUNDS TO EXPEND FOR THE SCHOOL BUDGET**

Article 13: State/Local EPS Funding Allocation: To see what sum Maine School Administrative District No. 61 will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and to see what sum Maine School Administrative District No. 61 will raise and assess as each municipality's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688.

The Board of School Directors Recommends the Amounts Set Forth Below:

Total Appropriated (by municipality):	\$ Amount	Total raised (and district assessments by municipality):	\$ Amount
Town of Bridgton:	\$ 7,361,187	Town of Bridgton:	\$ 6,872,084
Town of Casco:	5,107,848	Town of Casco:	4,768,546
Town of Naples:	6,316,495	Town of Naples:	5,444,968
Town of Sebago:	2,234,421	Town of Sebago:	2,085,985
School District Total Appropriated:	\$20,019,951	School District Total Raised:	\$19,171,583

*Explanation: The District's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12, as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act is the amount of money determined by state law to be the minimum amount the District must raise and assess in order to receive the full amount of state dollars.*

Article 14: Non-State Funded Debt Service: To see what sum Maine School Administrative District No. 61 will raise and appropriate for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the voters of this District for non-state funded school construction projects and non-state funded portions of school construction projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the District's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12.

The Board of School Directors Recommends \$1,761,249.

*Explanation: Non-state-funded debt service is the amount of money needed for the annual payments on the District's long-term debt for major capital school construction projects that are not approved for state subsidy. The bonding of this long-term debt was previously approved by the voters of the District.*

Article 15: Additional Local Funds: (Written ballot required). To see what sum Maine School Administrative District No. 61 will raise and appropriate in additional local funds (Recommend \$5,616,788) which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$5,238,695 as required to fund the budget recommended by the Board of School Directors.

The Board of School Directors recommends \$5,616,788 for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$5,238,695:

1. \$546,655 is the Teacher Retirement piece at 3.9% that was previously paid by the State.
2. Co-curricular and Extra-curricular activities: The State has supported an average of 10% Statewide.
3. Additional staffing district wide: staffing above the EPS minimums in the following areas: teachers, clerical, educational technicians (permanent substitutes), guidance and administration and seven workshop days per teacher and four workshop days per educational technician are not covered under the EPS formula.
4. Substitute pay: The State allocates half a day per student. This does not cover long term absences due to lengthy medical leaves for long-term illnesses or for maternity leave where substitutes are paid at a higher rate.
5. Operations/maintenance of seven (7) District facilities.
6. Transportation: (includes special education transportation). This amount would encompass late buses, summer school, bus driver workshop days and our bus safety program.
7. Special Education: This additional amount is partly due to year old student information, summer school, scheduling and reduced financial support at the Federal and State levels.
8. Technology: This includes the District initiative to provide one-to-one laptops to every student grades six (6) through twelve (12), (of which students in grades seven (7) and eight (8) are paid by the State, and teachers grades seven (7) through twelve (12), are partially paid by the State); make computer labs available at the K-5 grade level and to support technology integration into the core learning areas including, English, Math, Science and Social Studies.
9. System Administration: This includes all Central Office personnel and is no longer supported by the EPS Funding Formula.

*Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the District's local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and local amounts raised for the annual payment on non-state funded debt service that will help achieve the District's budget for educational programs.*

#### **ARTICLES 16 AND 17 RAISE FUNDS FOR OTHER PROGRAMS SUPPORTED BY THE SCHOOL BUDGET**

Article 16: Community Use Of Facilities: (Written ballot required). In addition to the amount in Article 15, shall Maine School Administrative District No. 61 raise \$50,000 in additional local funds to keep District facilities open for community and other programs on Saturdays and school vacations, which sum exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services model by \$50,000?

The Board of School Directors recommends a "YES" vote for the following reasons: The cost to keep M.S.A.D. #61 facilities open for community and other uses on Saturdays and school vacations is not included in the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model.

*Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the District's local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and local amounts raised for the annual payment on non-state funded debt service that will help achieve the District's budget for educational programs.*

Article 17: Food Service Program: Shall Maine School Administrative District No. 61 raise \$100,000 in additional local funds in support of the Food Service Program?

The Board of School Directors recommends a "YES" vote.

**ARTICLE 18 SUMMARIZES THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET**

Article 18: Total School Budget Summary: To see what sum Maine School Administrative District No. 61 will authorize the Board of School Directors to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018 from the District's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools.

The Board of School Directors recommends \$30,187,620.

**ARTICLE 19 RAISES FUNDS TO EXPEND FOR THE ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM**

Article 19: Adult Education. To see if Maine School Administrative District No. 61 will appropriate \$563,415 for adult education and raise \$331,900 as the local share; with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the adult education program.

The Board of School Directors recommends that the District raise \$331,900.

**ARTICLE 20 AUTHORIZES THE SCHOOL BOARD TO EXPEND UNANTICIPATED REVENUE**

Article 20: Expenditure Of Unanticipated Revenues: Shall Maine School Administrative District No. 61 be authorized to expend such other sums as may be received from federal or state grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year for school purposes provided that such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?

The Board of School Directors recommends a "YES" vote.

**ARTICLE 21 AUTHORIZES A TRANSFER TO AND EXPENDATURE FROM THE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND**

Article 21: Capital Reserve Fund. Shall the School Board be authorized to transfer \$1,100,000 from available undesignated fund balances to the Capital Reserve Fund and to expend \$1,455,755 from the Capital Reserve Fund for the purposes set forth below?

<u>Capital Project or Equipment</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>
Replacement School Bus #1	\$ 85,000.00
Replacement School Bus #2	\$ 85,000.00
Lake Region High School:	
Elevator Upgrade	\$ 85,000.00
Paving Project #1	\$ 41,745.00
Paving Project #2	\$ 38,255.00
Track upgrades/replacement	\$200,000.00
Lake Region Middle School:	
Parking/Traffic Improvements	\$328,255.00
Songo Locks School:	
Parking/Traffic Improvements	\$475,000.00
Stevens Brook Elementary School:	
Life Extension of Roof Sections 1 & 2	\$117,500.00
<b>Total Not to Exceed Cost of Proposed Capital Reserve Fund Projects and Equipment</b>	<b>\$1,455,755.00</b>
Summary of Funding Sources	
Amount Funded from Transfer:	\$1,100,000.00
Amount Funded from Existing Capital Reserve Fund:	\$ 355,755.00
<b>Total Funding:</b>	<b>\$1,455,755.00</b>

The Board of School Directors recommends a "YES" vote.

Given under our hand this 3rd day of April, 2017.

Thomas W. Caudwell  
Joseph M. Nelson  
Paul J. [unclear]  
Leo [unclear]  
Deborah [unclear]  
Shannon [unclear]  
Janice C. Carter

[unclear]  
[unclear]  
Debra C. Althoff  
[unclear]  
St. B. [unclear]  
Philip [unclear]

Board of Directors of Maine School Administrative District  
No. 61

A true copy of this Warrant

Attest: Cathy E. Gerrish  
Cathy E. Gerrish  
A resident of Maine School  
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