TOWN OF STRATTON

MINUTES OF

THE ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING OF MARCH 5, 2024

The legal voters of the Town of Stratton, Vermont met as warned at the Stratton Town Hall in said town on Tuesday, March 5, 2024 at 11:00 A.M. Moderator, Boomer Walker, called the meeting to order. The Town Clerk took the roll and 28 voters were present – a majority of 15 voters will be required.

ARTICLE 1: To elect a Moderator for the ensuing year, as required by law.

Chris Liller nominated Boomer Walker. Greg Marcucci seconded. Al Dupell moved to close nominations and have the Clerk cast one ballot. Kent Young seconded. All concurred. Boomer Walker was elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 2: To elect all Stratton School District Officers, as required by law:

School District Director

One three-year term

School District Director

Two one-year terms

Kellie D'Elia-Laskin nominated Melissa Walker. Devon Marcucci seconded. No additional nominations. Chris Liller moved to close nominations and have the Clerk cast one ballot. Alyson Peterson seconded. All concurred and Melissa Walker was elected School District Director for a three-year term.

School District Director

One one-year term

Melissa Walker nominated Devon Marcucci. DR Holton seconded. Al Dupell moved to close nominations and have the Clerk cast one ballot. Alyson Peterson seconded. All concurred. Devon Marcucci was elected School District Director for a one-year term.

School District Director

One one-year term

Devon Marcucci nominated Joseph Frigo. Kent Young seconded. Kent Young moved to close nominations and have the Clerk cast one ballot. Alyson Peterson seconded. All concurred. Joseph Frigo was elected School District Director for a one-year term.

ARTICLE 3: To set the Annual 2024-2025 tuition rate to The Mountain School at Winhall up to the amount of \$18,900.00 for students in grades K-6, who are residents of the school district pursuant to VSA 16 sections 823 & 828.

Kent Young so moved. Al Dupell seconded. No discussion. The Moderator asked for a voice vote and Article 3 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 4: To set the Annual 2024-2025 K–6 tuition rate to all other private or approved independent schools up to the annual Vermont Union Elementary School tuition rate for students in grades K–6, excluding those students covered in Article 3, who are residents of the school district.

Kent Young so moved. Al Dupell seconded. No discussion. The Moderator asked for a voice vote and Article 4 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 5: To set the Annual 2024-2025 tuition rate to Burr & Burton Academy up to the amount of \$20,966.00 per pupil for students in grades 9-12, who are residents of the school district.

Kent Young so moved. DR Holton seconded. No discussion. The Moderator asked for a voice vote and Article 5 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 6: To set the Annual 2024-2025 tuition rate to all other private or approved independent schools up to the announced Vermont Union High School tuition rate for students in grades 7–12, excluding those students covered in Article 5, who are residents of the school district.

Kent Young so moved. Al Dupell seconded. No discussion. The Moderator asked for a voice vote and Article 6 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 7: Shall the voters of the School District approve the School Board to expend \$925,565.00, which is the amount the School Board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is

estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$9756.15 per pupil. This projected spending per pupil is 51.7% less than spending for the current year.

Kent Young so moved. Alyson Peterson seconded. No discussion. The Moderator asked for a voice vote and Article 7 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will authorize the School Directors to borrow money for the school district in anticipation of taxes and state money allocated to the district.

Kent Young so moved. Al Dupell seconded. No discussion. The Moderator asked for a voice vote and Article 9 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 9: Shall the voters of the Stratton School District authorize the School Board to withdraw money from the Reserve Fund to offset the Homestead tax rate, but no more than \$50,000.00?

Kent Young so moved. Greg Marcucci seconded. No discussion. The Moderator asked for a voice vote and Article 9 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 10: Shall the voters of the Stratton School District authorize moving the operational surplus, if any, from FY 2024 to the Tuition Reserve Fund?

Kent Young so moved. Al Dupell seconded. No discussion. The Moderator asked for a voice vote and Article 10 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 11: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting. No additional business was conducted.

ADJOURNMENT: With no other business, the Moderator asked for a motion to adjourn. Chris Liller so moved at 11:10am. Al Dupell seconded and the 2024 Annual School District Meeting adjourned.

| Minutes by: | Approved: |
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| Town Clerk - David Kent Young | Moderator – Boomer Walker |
| Approved by the Stratton School Directors | Allison Young - Chair |
| Melissa Walker | Kellie D'Elia-Laskin |
| Devon Marcucci | |