

**OYSTER RIVER COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT THE  
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
2021  
SCHOOL WARRANT**

To the Inhabitants of the Oyster River Cooperative School District of Durham, Lee, and Madbury qualified to vote upon District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Oyster River High School in said district on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February 2021, at 7:00 o'clock in the evening for Session I of the Annual School District Meeting for discussion of Articles 3 through 7 and for any amendments thereto. Warrant articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended and no warrant article shall be amended to eliminate the subject matter of the article at Session I.

Official ballot voting for school district officers (articles 1 and 2) and on articles 3-7 will occur at town polling locations on Tuesday, March 9, 2021:

Town of Durham	Oyster River High School	7:00 am to 7:00 pm
Town of Lee	Lee Transfer Station {via drive-in only}	7:00 am to 7:00 pm
Town of Madbury	Madbury Town Hall	11:00 am to 7:00 pm

ARTICLE 1: To choose a Moderator for the coming year.

ARTICLE 2: To choose three School Board members one each for Durham, Lee and Madbury for the ensuing three years, and one At-Large School Board member for one year.

ARTICLE 3: Shall the District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant article and other appropriations voted separately, the amount set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$50,173,045. Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$50,080,250 (Default Budget) which is the same as last year with certain adjustments required by previous action of the District or by law; or the District may hold one special meeting in accordance with RSA 40:13, X, and XVI to take up the issue of the revised operating budget only. *The School Board recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required)*

Note:

Fund 10 = \$48,707,995 (regular operating budget); Fund 21 = \$824,050 (expenditures from food service revenues); Fund 22 = \$600,000 (expenditures from federal/special revenues); Fund 23 = \$41,000 (expenditures from pass through funds).

ARTICLE 4: Shall the District vote to approve within the provisions of New Hampshire RSA 273-A:3 the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Oyster River Bus Drivers Association and the Oyster River School Board which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

2021 - 2022                      \$ 18,070

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 18,070 for the 2021-2022 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increases in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels? *The School Board recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required)*

ARTICLE 5: Shall the District vote to approve within the provisions of New Hampshire RSA 273-A:3 the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Oyster River Para-Educators and Support Staff and the Oyster River School Board which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

2021 - 2022                      \$ 63,853

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 63,853 for the 2021-2022 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increases in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels? *The School Board recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required)*

ARTICLE 6: Shall the District vote in accordance with RSA 198:4-b, II to increase, indefinitely until rescinded, the retention of any unused portion of the year-end unassigned general funds from the preceding fiscal year from the current percentage of 2.5% to 5% of the current fiscal year's net assessment under RSA 198:5 for the purpose of having funds on hand to use in subsequent fiscal years? *The School Board recommends this article. (Majority vote required)*

ARTICLE 7: Shall the District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125,000 to be added to the Facilities Development, Maintenance, and Replacement Trust which was established in March of 2017. This sum to come from June 30 fund balance available for transfer on July 1. *The School Board recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required)* No amounts to be raised from taxation.

Given under our hands at said Durham NH this 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 2021:

Thomas Newkirk  
Thomas Newkirk, Chairperson

Michael Williams  
Michael Williams, Vice-chair

Yusi Turell

Brian Cisneros

Daniel Klein  
Daniel Klein

Allan Howland  
Allan Howland

Denise Day  
Denise Day