

**BROOKLINE SCHOOL DISTRICT
2020 WARRANTS
February 3, 2020 and March 10, 2020**

To the inhabitants of the Brookline School District, in the Town of Brookline in the County of Hillsborough, and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at Captain Samuel Douglass Academy in said district on Monday, February 3, 2020 (snow date: February 4, 2020), at 6:30 p.m., for Session I (Deliberation), for the transaction of all business other than voting by official ballot. This session shall consist of the explanation of all the warrant articles and the discussion and debate of warrant articles 1 through 9. Warrant articles may be amended subject to the following limitations: (a) warrant articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended, (b) warrant articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for final vote on the main motion as amended and (c) no warrant article shall be amended to eliminate the subject matter of the article.

You are hereby further notified to meet at Captain Samuel Douglass Academy on Tuesday, March 10, 2020, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. to vote by official ballot for the election of School District officers and other action required to be inserted on the official ballot (warrant articles 1 through 10).

Article 1. Election of Officers. To elect all necessary School District officers for the ensuing terms by official ballot vote on March 10, 2020, Captain Samuel Douglass Academy, 7:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.:

- To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.
- To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
- To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
- To choose two (2) members of the School Board for the ensuing three (3) years.

Article 2. To see if the Brookline School District will vote to approve the cost of items included in the three-year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Brookline School Board and the Brookline Teachers Association for the 2020-2021, 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 school years, which calls for the following increase in professional staff salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>
2020-2021	\$146,163	2021-2022	\$170,569	2022-2023	\$163,945
Total: \$480,677					

and further to raise and appropriate a sum of **\$146,163** for the first fiscal year (2020-21 school year), such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in professional staff salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. **The School Board recommends this article 4-1-0. The Finance Committee does not recommend this article 1-2-0.**

Article 3. To see if the Brookline School District will vote to implement a Full-Day Kindergarten Program at Richard Maghakian Memorial School starting with the 2020-2021 school year, and to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$143,065** (Gross Budget) for the purpose of funding the additional operating costs of the program. It is anticipated that 65 students will be enrolled for total additional State revenues of \$120,535. Defeat of this article will have no impact on continuing the Kindergarten program currently in place.

If this article passes, the General Fund Operating Budget will decrease by \$96,965 and the General Fund Revenues will also decrease by \$96,965, which represents the revenue sources related to the

Kindergarten program currently in place that will not be available if Full-Day Kindergarten passes; the cost of operating Full-Day Kindergarten will be included in the operating budget in future years.

Additional cost of new full-day program: \$46,100
Expected State funding: \$120,535
Current parent-paid revenue that will be lost: \$217,500
Revenue difference: \$96,965
Net effect to the taxpayer: \$143,065

The School Board recommends this article 5-0-0. The Finance Committee does not recommend this article 1-2-0.

Article 4. To see if the Brookline School District will vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts 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 **\$9,459,497**. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be **\$9,379,264**, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the school district or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. Majority vote required to pass. **The School Board recommends this article 5-0-0. The Finance Committee recommends this article 3-0-0.**

Article 5: To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of up to **\$75,000** to be added to the previously established SCHOOL FACILITIES MAINTENANCE EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND, this sum to come from the June 30 unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2020. No amount to be raised from taxation. **The School Board recommends this article 5-0-0. The Finance Committee recommends this article 3-0-0.**

Article 6: To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of up to **\$25,000** to be added to the previously established SPECIAL EDUCATION EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND, this sum to come from the June 30 unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2020. No amount to be raised from taxation. **The School Board recommends this article 5-0-0. The Finance Committee recommends this article 2-1-0.**

Article 7: To see if the school district will vote to establish a contingency fund for the current year for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate a sum of up to **\$40,000** to go into said fund. This sum to come from the unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2020. **The School Board recommends this article 5-0-0. The Finance Committee recommends this article 2-1-0.**

Article 8. Shall the voters of the Brookline School District adopt a school administrative unit budget of \$1,807,100 for the forthcoming fiscal year in which **\$319,460** is assigned to the school budget of this school district? This year's adjusted budget of \$1,718,104 with \$307,815 assigned to the school budget of this school district will be adopted if the article does not receive a majority vote of all the school district voters voting in this school administrative unit. **The School Board recommends this article 5-0-0. The Finance Committee recommends this article 2-1-0.**

Article 9. To see if the school district voters will authorize the Brookline School District to access future year state and federal special education aid funds in the event that special education costs exceed budget limitations. **The School Board recommends this article 5-0-0. The Finance Committee recommends this article 3-0-0.**

Article 10. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting?

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AND SEALS AT SAID BROOKLINE THIS 21st DAY OF JANUARY 2019.

SCHOOL BOARD:

Matthew Maguire, Chair
Kenneth Haag, Vice-Chair
Erin Sarris
Alison Marsano
Rebecca Howie