

**WARRANT AND NOTICE OF ELECTION CALLING
REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT NO. 71
BUDGET REFERENDUM
(20-A M.R.S. §§ 1486 & 1501; Executive Orders #8 & #8A FY20/21)**

TO: Robyn Harwood, a resident Regional School Unit No. 71 (the "RSU") composed of the City of Belfast and the Towns of Belmont, Morrill, Searsmont, and Swanville, State of Maine.

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby ordered to serve upon the municipal clerks of each of the municipalities within the RSU, namely, the City of Belfast and the Towns of Belmont, Morrill, Searsmont, and Swanville, an attested copy of this warrant and notice of election. Service shall be in hand within three (3) days of the date of this warrant and notice of election. The municipal clerks of the above municipalities shall immediately notify the respective Municipal Officers. The Municipal Officers shall meet forthwith and countersign this warrant and notice of election. The Municipal Officers shall provide below for the respective municipal clerks to post or have posted this warrant and notice of election.

**CITY OF BELFAST
RSU BUDGET REFERENDUM
WARRANT AND NOTICE OF ELECTION**

Waldo County, ss.

State of Maine

TO: Amy I. Flood, Municipal Clerk of Belfast: You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify the voters of this municipality of the election described in this warrant and notice of election.

TO THE VOTERS OF BELFAST: You are hereby notified that a RSU Budget Referendum election will be held at the following locations in the City of Belfast

Wards 1 & 2: Belfast Boathouse, 34 Commercial Street

Wards 3 & 4: Crosby Center, 96 Church Street

Ward 5: United Methodist Church, 23 Mill Lane

on Tuesday, June 8, 2021 for the purpose of determining the following questions:

Question 1: School Budget. Shall Regional School Unit No. 71 appropriate the sum of **\$28,684,417.69** and raise the sum of **\$15,956,277.72** for the 2021-2022 school budget?

School Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

VOTER INFORMATION FOR QUESTION 1

The Regional School Unit No. 71 school budget submitted in this Question 1 totals **\$28,684,417.69**. It includes locally raised funds in the amount of **\$15,956,277.72**, to be assessed in shares to member municipalities in accordance with the RSU's cost sharing formula and state law. The locally raised amount exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by **\$4,809,187.86**. This budget includes these cost centers and amounts:

Cost Center	Amount Appropriated
Regular Instruction	\$ 9,381,054.00
Special Education	\$ 6,187,824.78
Career and Technical Education	\$ 0.00
Other Instruction	\$ 697,097.02
Student and Staff Support	\$ 2,822,224.20
System Administration	\$ 726,050.00
School Administration	\$ 1,733,410.00
Transportation and Buses	\$ 1,882,107.00
Facilities Maintenance	\$ 3,504,983.00
Debt Service and Other Commitments	\$ 1,749,667.69
All Other Expenditures	\$ 0.00
Summary of Total Authorized School Budget Expenditures:	\$ 28,684,417.69

Question 2: RSU Nutrition Program: Shall the RSU be authorized to raise and appropriate **\$233,755.11** for the school nutrition program with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the school nutrition program?
School Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

Question 3: RSU Adult Ed Program. Shall the RSU be authorized to appropriate **\$378,012.00** for adult education and raise **\$275,371.00** 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?
School Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

Question 4: CTE Region Budget. Shall the Region 7 Waldo County Technical Center operating budget as approved by the cooperative board for the year beginning July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 be approved in the amount of **\$1,991,461.49**?
School Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.
CTE Cooperative Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

VOTER INFORMATION FOR QUESTION 4

Approval by the voters of Question 4 will not increase local assessments.

Question 5: CTE Region Adult Education Budget. Shall the Region 7 Waldo County Technical Center approve a budget for adult education in the amount of **\$51,525.00** for the year beginning July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and well-being of its adult education program?
School Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.
CTE Cooperative Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

VOTER INFORMATION FOR QUESTION 5

Approval by the voters of Question 5 will not increase local assessments.

Question 6: Cost Center Transfers. Shall the School Board be authorized to transfer amounts exceeding 5% of the total appropriation for any cost center to another cost center or among other cost centers for the 2021-2022 fiscal year, provided that transfers shall not be permitted to increase the authorized total school budget?

School Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

The voting on Questions 1 through 6 shall be by secret ballot referendum. The polls must be opened at 7:00 a.m. and closed at 8:00 p.m.

The Registrar of Voters shall hold office hours while the polls are open to correct any error in or change a name or address on the voting list; to accept the registration of any person eligible to vote and to accept new enrollments.

A person who is not registered as a voter may not vote in any election.

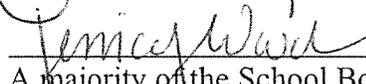
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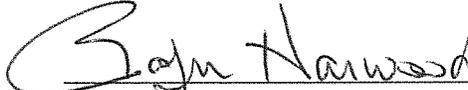
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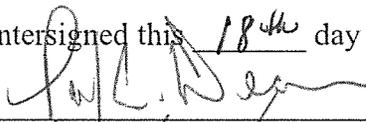
 A majority of the School Board of Regional School Unit No. 71

A true copy of the Warrant and Notice of Election, attest:

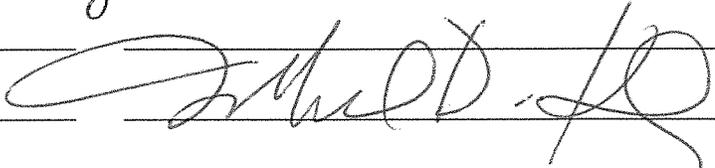


 Robyn Harwood, Resident of
 Regional School Unit No. 71

Countersigned this 18th day of May, 2021 at Belfast, Maine.







A majority of the Municipal Officers of Belfast, Maine

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 Amy I. Flood, Municipal Clerk
 Belfast, Maine