

LYME-OLD LYME SCHOOLS

Regional School District #18

A Private School Experience



in a Public School Setting

District Budget Meeting

May 3, 2021

Board Present: Diane Linderman, Chairwoman; Martha Shoemaker, Vice Chair; Jean Wilczynski, Treasurer; Stacey Leonardo; Jennifer Miller

Present Via Telephone: Rick Goulding; Mary Powell St. Louis

Absent by Previous Arrangement: Suzanne Thompson; Steven Wilson

Administration Present: Ian Neviaser, Superintendent of Schools; James Cavalieri, Principal of Lyme Consolidated School; Kelly Enoch, Principal of Mile Creek School; Holly McCalla, Business Manager

Others Present: Marilyn Warren, Moderator; 1 Community Member

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairwoman Diane Linderman. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Jean Wilczynski read the call of the meeting.

Notice is hereby given of the Annual Budget Meeting and Vote for the Regional School District No. 18 to be held at Regional School District No. 18, Board of Education Conference Room at Center School, 49 Lyme Street, Old Lyme, Connecticut at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, May 3, 2021 to act upon the following:

1. To adopt a budget of \$34,874,548 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 as recommended by the Regional School Board.
2. To conduct such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

By vote of the Regional School District No. 18 Board of Education, the vote on item number 1 shall be by check off and paper ballots in the Towns of Lyme and Old Lyme on May 4, 2021 between the hours of 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. pursuant to Section 7-7 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

Voting will take place at the following locations: in the Town of Lyme, at the Town Hall, 480 Hamburg Road, Lyme, Connecticut and in the Town of Old Lyme, at the Lyme-Old Lyme Middle School, 53 Lyme Street, Old Lyme, Connecticut.

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Mrs. Shoemaker made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Wilczynski, to nominate Marilyn Warren as the moderator of the meeting. There were no further nominations. The vote on the motion was unanimously in favor.

Ms. Warren explained the qualifications for voting at the referendum and the specifics relative to voting in each town. The meeting was opened up for comments and questions.

William Fitzgerald, an Old Lyme resident, suggested that a portion of the \$1.7 million that is earmarked to be returned to the towns (refund of June 30, 2020 fund balance) be used as a one-time bonus of approximately \$2,000 for the 306 staff members of the Lyme-Old Lyme Schools. Mr. Fitzgerald stated that he believed the staff has earned this bonus given the very challenging year, and this gesture would show appreciation of their efforts from the Board and community.

There being no further comments or questions, the District Budget Meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m. to referendum the following day at the Lyme Town Hall and the Lyme-Old Lyme Middle School in Old Lyme from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. upon a motion by Mrs. Shoemaker and a second by Mrs. Leonardo.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Shoemaker, Secretary Pro Tem