

The Gateway Regional School Committee, pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. c. 71, hereby requests that the following Article be placed on the Warrant for the next regularly scheduled Annual or Special Town Meeting of the Town of [insert town]:

To see if the Town will vote to amend the AGREEMENT AMONG THE TOWNS OF HUNTINGTON, MIDDLEFIELD, MONTGOMERY, RUSSELL, WORTHINGTON, CHESTER AND BLANDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS WITH RESPECT TO THE FORMATION OF A REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT by adding the following language after the second sentence under subsection (A) of Section I: The Regional District School Committee:

Effective upon the biennial elections next following the Eleventh Amendment to this Agreement, the Committee shall consist of the following: two members who are residents of the Town of Huntington, two members who are residents of the Town of Middlefield, two members who are residents of the Town of Montgomery, two members who are residents of the Town of Russell, two members who are residents of the Town of Worthington, and two members who are residents of the Town of Chester, and two members who are residents of the Town of Blandford. Until said date, the prior regional school committee shall remain in effect.

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(B) Continuation of Members

Until the annual town elections next following the assumption of jurisdiction by the Committee over the pupils in all grades from kindergarten through grade twelve, the members of the Committee shall be appointed and elected and vacancies shall be filled as provided in subsections (C), (D) and (E) of Section I as in effect prior to the adoption of the sixth amendment of this agreement provided, however, that the terms of office of all such members shall terminate upon the election and qualification of successors as provided in subsection (C) of Section I.

As Amended.

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Effective upon the biennial state elections in 2014, School committee members shall be elected with residency requirements as stated above in district-wide elections to be held at the biennial state elections. Elected school committee members will take office the day after the election results are certified by each member town clerk.

At the district-wide elections to be held at the biennial state elections in 2014, there will be elections for all fourteen (14) school committee positions. The committee member with the greatest number of votes from each of the member towns shall serve for a term of four (4) years, and the remaining committee member from each of the member towns shall serve for a term of two (2) years. Commencing with the biennial state elections in 2016 and thereafter, all fourteen (14) school committee positions shall be for a term of four (4) years.

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(D) Vacancies

If a vacancy occurs among the members elected under subsection (C) of Section I, the selectmen and remaining Committee members from the town involved, acting jointly, shall appoint a member to serve until the next annual town election, at which election a successor shall be elected to serve for the balance of the unexpired term, if any. As Amended.

and replacing said language with the following language:

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If a vacancy occurs among the members elected under subsection (C) of Section I, the selectmen and remaining Committee members from the town involved, acting jointly, shall appoint a member to serve until the next biennial election, at which election a successor shall be elected to serve for the balance of the unexpired term, if any. As Amended.