

WARNING
WEST RIVER MODIFIED UNION EDUCATION DISTRICT
2022 ANNUAL MEETING
MARCH 23, 2022

The legal voters of the West River Modified Union Education District (the "District"), comprising the voters of the towns of Brookline, Jamaica, Newfane, Townshend and Windham are hereby warned and notified that due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Board of School Directors has determined, pursuant to the provisions of Act 77, that all articles of business (Articles 1-10) for the 2022 Annual Meeting will be voted by Australian ballot on **Wednesday, March 23, 2022**, at their respective polling places beginning at 9:00 a.m. in Brookline, 10:00 a.m. in Jamaica, 9:00 a.m. in Newfane, 7:00 a.m. in Townshend, and 10:00 a.m. in Windham. Polls will close in all such towns at 7:00p.m. on the following articles of business:

Article 1: To elect a Moderator.

Article 2: To elect a Clerk.

Article 3: To elect a Treasurer.

Article 4: Shall the voters of the District authorize the Board of School Directors to borrow money by issuance of bonds or notes not in excess of anticipated revenues for the next fiscal year?

Article 5: Shall the voters of the District approve compensation to the current Officers for their services during Fiscal Year 2023 in the following amounts?

Moderator: **\$250**
Clerk: **\$2,000**
Treasurer: **\$2,000**

Article 6: Shall the voters of the District approve compensation to the School Directors for their service during Fiscal Year 2023 in the amount of \$1000 Directors and \$1,200 for the Chair of the School Board?

Article 7: Shall the voters of the District set the date of 2023 Annual Meeting as the fourth Tuesday of March?

Article 8: Shall the voters of West River Modified Union Education District (the “District”) approve the school board to expend **\$12,915,000 for grades PreK-12** which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of **\$23,763** per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is **12.4%** higher than spending for the current year.

Article 9: To elect one (1) “at-large” school director who is a resident of the District for the remaining two years of a three year term.

Article 10: Shall the voters of the West River Modified Union School District authorize moving the operational surplus, if any, from Fiscal Year 2022 to the Operational Reserve Fund?

The legal voters of the West River Modified Union Education District are further notified that voter qualification, registration, and absentee voting relative to said annual meeting shall be provided in Chapters 43, 51, and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

Polling Places and Times

Brookline:	Brookline Town Hall	9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Jamaica	Town Office	10:00 a.m. to 7:00p.m.
Newfane	Newbrook Fire House	9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Townshend	Town Hall	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Windham	Meeting House	10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Upon closing of the polls, the ballots will be counted by local town election officials who shall transmit the voting results to the Clerk of the West River Modified Union Education District, who will then tabulate and report the final results for the District.

Informational Hearing

Said persons and voters are further notified and warned of a public informational hearing on Tuesday, March 22, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. Pursuant to 17 V.S.A. §2680(g) the hearing is to discuss and provide voters information on Articles 4-10. Join Zoom Meeting:

Voters and interested persons can access and participate in the meeting remotely by using this link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89981897199?pwd=TFNHRlFMWFJ3YWZiekt1ZmxhUXQ1UT09>

Meeting ID: 899 8189 7199
Passcode: 432115

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The link and additional information will also be posted on the School District's website <https://www.westrivered.org>.

Dated this 11th day of February 2022.



Al Claussen - Board Chair

Received, filed and recorded this 11th day of February 2022.



Sara Wiswall - Clerk