

WARNING
ANNUAL MEETING – UNION HIGH SCHOOL NO. 27
ATHENS • GRAFTON • ROCKINGHAM • WESTMINSTER

The legal voters of Union High School District No. 27, consisting of the School Districts of Athens, Grafton, Rockingham and Westminster, Vermont are hereby warned to meet at the Bellows Falls Union High School Auditorium in the Town of Westminster, Vermont on Wednesday, February 26, 2020, at 7:00 P.M. to act on Articles 1 through 4 and Articles 7 through 9, and then adjourn to Tuesday, March 3, 2020, to vote by Australian Ballot on Article 5 and Article 6, on which date the polls will be open at the places and during the times stated below:

Athens	Athens School Building	10 A.M. – 7 P.M.
Grafton	Grafton Elementary School	9 A.M. – 7 P.M.
Rockingham	Masonic Temple	9 A.M. – 7 P.M.
Westminster	Westminster Institute	8 A.M. – 7 P.M.

ARTICLE 1 To act on the reports of the officers.

ARTICLE 2 To elect by ballot a Moderator for a one-year term beginning July 1, 2020.

ARTICLE 3 To elect by ballot a Clerk for a one-year term beginning July 1, 2020.

ARTICLE 4 To elect by ballot a Treasurer for a one-year term beginning July 1, 2020.

ARTICLE 5 Shall the voters of the Union High School District No. 27 approve the school board to expend \$7,287,628.06 (Seven million two-hundred eighty-seven thousand, six hundred twenty-eight dollars and six cents) 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 \$18,658.81 (eighteen thousand, six hundred fifty-eight dollars and eighty-one cents) per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 4.42% higher than spending for the current year.

(This article will be voted upon by Australian Ballot at each member town's voting place, Tuesday, March 3, 2020.)

ARTICLE 6 "To see if the Union High School District No. 27 shall vote to authorize its Board of Directors to negotiate and enter into a bond not to exceed One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000), to be paid back over a 20 year period, for the purposes of removal and replacement of the 50 year old paved areas of the driveway and parking areas on the school property, to include any necessary upgrades to the flow and management of storm water runoff and any related improvements to the sidewalk and patio areas, and authorize the board to expend said funds. **(This article will be voted upon by Australian Ballot at each member town's voting place, Tuesday, March 3, 2020.)**

ARTICLE 7 Shall the Union High School District No. 27 apply the sum of \$46,811 from the fiscal year FY19 fund balance to create a reserve fund to be used for capital improvements at the Bellows Falls Union High School and authorize the board to expend said funds?

ARTICLE 8 Shall the Union High School District No. 27 vote to pay its District Officers compensation in the following amounts: Board Chair- \$550.00; Board Members- \$450.00; District Treasurer- \$600.00, and District Clerk- \$125.00?

ARTICLE 9 To transact any other business that may be properly brought before said meeting.

FURTHER NOTICE – INFORMATIONAL MEETING

The legal voters and residents of the Bellows Falls Union High School District No. 27 are further warned that a public informational hearing will be held at the Bellows Falls Union High School Auditorium on February 26, 2020 at 7:00 o'clock in the evening (p.m.) for the purpose of explaining Article 5 and Article 6.

The legal voters of the Bellows Falls Union High School District No. 27 are further notified that voter qualifications, registration and absentee voting relative to Article 5 and Article 6 shall be provided in Chapters 43, 51 and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

Dated at Westminster in the County of Windham and State of Vermont on this 13th day of January, 2020.

Molly Banik *Molly Banik*
Chairperson of the Board
BFUHS District No. 27

Alison Bigwood *Alison Bigwood*
Clerk of the Board
BFUHS District No. 27

UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #27

DISTRICT OFFICERS

Moderator	Don Capponcelli
Clerk	Ali Bigwood
Treasurer	Kathleen Neathawk

SCHOOL DIRECTORS- Town/Term

Molly Banik (Chair)	Westminster, 2022	Brenda Farkas	Rockingham, 2020
Jack Bryar	Grafton, 2022	Stephen L. Fine	Athens, 2021
Colin James (Clerk)	Rockingham, 2021	Stephen Major	Westminster, 2020
David Clark	Westminster, 2021	Margo Ghia	Rockingham, 2022
Priscilla Lambert	Rockingham, 2022	Deborah Wright (V.Chair)	Rockingham, 2020