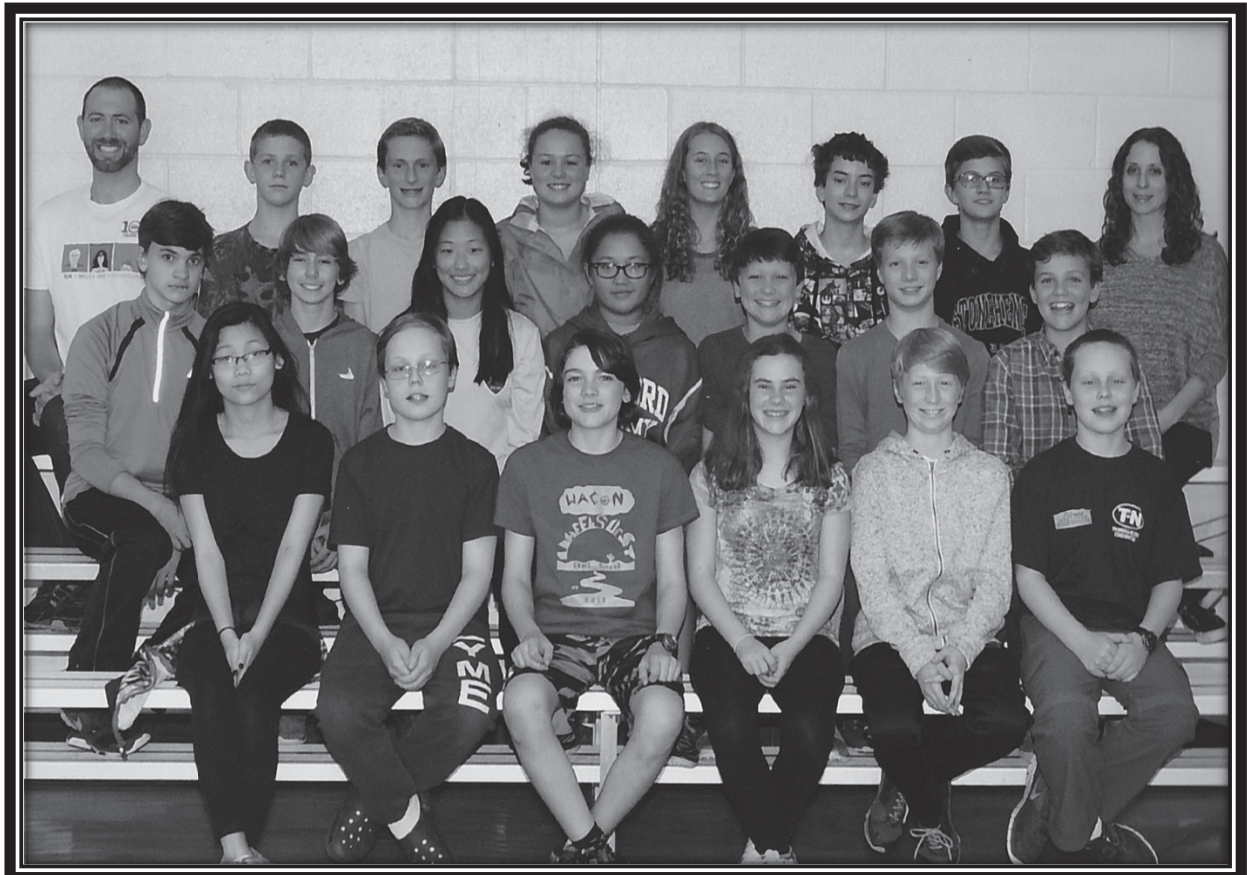


**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**LYME SCHOOL DISTRICT**



Front row: Alia Cutting, James Roth, William Brannen, Eva Schiffman, Garrett Shafer, Alex Roth.  
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**FOR THE YEAR ENDING**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2016**

## **LYME SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**

### **TERM EXPIRES**

Jay Davis, Vice-Chair	2019
Elizabeth Glenshaw, Chair	2018
Heidi Lange, Secretary	2019
Samuel Levey	2018
Paul Mayo	2017
Steve Toulmin	2017
Alicia Willette	2018

## **SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICIALS**

Moderator – William Waste

Clerk – Elise Garrity

Treasurer – Dina Cutting

Deputy Treasurer – Andrea Colgan (appointed)

## **ADMINISTRATION**

Jeffrey W. Valence  
Mikiko McGee  
Michael Harris  
Teresa Thurston

Principal  
Director of Special Education  
Superintendent of Schools  
Coordinator of Business Services

**LYME SCHOOL DISTRICT  
INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF  
AS OF JANUARY 1, 2017**

**Instructional Staff**

Angela Balch	Assistant Teacher
Connie Balch	Special Education
Laura Bradley	Grade 5
Amanda Burns	Grade 5
Kristen Bushway	Music
Lauren Chomko	Humanities, Grade 8; Language Arts, Grade 7
Kate Cook	Math Differentiation Teacher
Jacob Cooke	Library Coordinator
Penny Cove	Special Education
Lisa Damren	Physical Education & Health
Steven Dayno	Grade 4
Nancy Fleming	Grade 2
Marguerite Franks	Technology Coordinator
Emily Girdwood	Art
Thomas Harkins	Spanish
Elizabeth Hutchins	Early Literacy
Melinda Lyons	Kindergarten, Early Literacy
Sarah McBride	Assistant Teacher
Mikiko McGee	Special Education Director
Susanne Merrill	Math, Grades 7 & 8; Math Support, Grades 5-8
Jane Officer	French, Grades 5-8; Social Studies, Grade 7
Skip Pendleton	Science, Grades 6-8
Jennifer Pratt	Math, Grades 6-8
Trisha Shipman	Grade 3
Helen Skelly	Home School Counselor
Heather Stadheim	Language Arts & Social Studies, Grades 6 & 7
Elaine White	Special Education
Jennifer Wilcox	Grade 1

## 2016 LYME SCHOOL EIGHTH GRADE GRADUATES

William Brannen	Tristan Meyer
Arwen Clayton	Maisy Pekala
Tage Colberg	Ethan Ross
Alia Cutting	Alexander Roth
Ryan Egan	James Roth
Felix Estes	Eva Schiffman
John “Max” Farrow	Garrett Shafer
Timothy Gray	Owen Stadheim
Faith Marshall	Lena Wanner
Joseph Maxwell	Abigail Wilson

## 2016 LYME DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

### **Hanover**

Leia Barrowes  
Lane Celone  
Courtney Couture  
Mackenzie Cutting  
Leon Kuhne  
Jane Lumley  
Caroline Rodi  
Emily Shepard  
Isabella Stein  
Georgina Stern  
Addison Wanner

### **St. Johnsbury**

James “Gus” Cooke  
Aidan Hinsley  
Katherine Hunton  
Elizabeth Lopez  
Hector Steyn

### **Thetford**

Kayley Gray  
Kaleb O’Keefe

## LYME HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AS OF OCTOBER 1, 2016

Hanover High School	54
Hartford High School	1
St. Johnsbury Academy	16
Thetford Academy	19
OOD	2
Total	92

SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

MARCH 14, 2017

**GRAFTON S.S.**

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LYME**

To the inhabitants of the School District of Lyme, in the County of Grafton, and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Lyme Community Gymnasium in Lyme, New Hampshire, on Tuesday, March 14, 2017, at 7:00 in the morning to act on the following subjects:

To choose by ballot a Moderator, a Clerk, and a Treasurer, each to serve one year, and two members of the School Board each to serve three years.

NOTE: ALL OTHER SCHOOL BUSINESS WILL BE CONDUCTED AT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING TO BE HELD ON THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2017, AT 6:00 PM AT THE LYME COMMUNITY GYMNASIUM.

Polls will open at 7:00 AM and will close no earlier than 7:00 PM.

Given under our hands and seals at said Lyme this seventh day of February 2017.

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

Elizabeth Glenshaw, Chair

Paul Mayo

Steven Toulmin

Jay Davis

Heidi Lange

Alicia Willette

Samuel Levy

School Board, School District of Lyme, New Hampshire

# School: Lyme School District

## New Hampshire

### Warrant and Budget

2017

To the inhabitants of the Lyme School District in the County of Grafton in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in school district affairs, you are hereby notified and warned of the Annual Meeting that will be held as follows:

Date: **MARCH 9, 2017**  
Time: **6:00 pm**  
Location: **LYME ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

#### Article 01: Hear Reports of Other

To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or other officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

#### Article 02: Collective Bargaining Agreement

To see if the Lyme School District will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Lyme School Board and the Lyme Education Association which calls for the following estimated increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level over those paid in the prior fiscal year:

Fiscal Year	Estimated Increase
2017-2018	\$43,906
2018-2019	\$40,995
2019-2020	\$38,594

and further to raise and appropriate \$43,906 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. Recommendations required. (Majority vote required.) The School Board recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

#### Article 03: Operating Budget

To see if the Lyme School District will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee's recommended amount of \$6,774,007 for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the district. This article does not include appropriations contained in any special or individual articles addressed separately, except for the amounts in article 7. (Majority vote required.) The School Board recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.



#### **Article 04: Transfer of Surplus to Post Retirement Benefit Capital Reserve Fund**

To see if the Lyme School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of \$10,000 to be added to the Post Retirement Benefit Capital Reserve Fund previously established at the Lyme School District Meeting on March 3, 2016. This sum to come from June 30 fund balance available for transfer on July 1. No amount to be raised from taxation. (Note: This transfer would only occur if there were a surplus at the end of the current fiscal year.) (Majority vote required.) The School Board recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

#### **Article 05: Transfer of Surplus to High School Tuition Expendable Trust Fund**

To see if the Lyme School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the High School Tuition Expendable Trust Fund previously established at the Lyme School District meeting on March 9, 1995. This sum to come from June 30 fund balance available for transfer on July 1. No amount to be raised from taxation. (Note: This transfer would only occur if there were a surplus at the end of the current fiscal year.) Recommendations Required. (Majority vote required.) The School Board recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

#### **Article 06: Transfer of Surplus to Special Education Capital Reserve Fund**

To see if the Lyme School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of \$70,000 to be added to the Special Education Capital Reserve Fund previously established at the Lyme School District meeting on March 8, 1984. This sum to come from June 30 fund balance available for transfer on July 1. No amount to be raised from taxation. (Note: This transfer would only occur if there were a surplus at the end of the current fiscal year.) Recommendations Required. (Majority vote required.) The School Board recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

#### **Article 07: Salaries of District Officials**

To determine and fix the salaries of school district officers as follows: School District Treasurer \$825; School District Clerk \$100; School District Moderator \$100. The amounts in this article are included in Article 3. The School Board recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

#### **Article 08: FULL DAY KINDERGARTEN for the Lyme School - Lyme, NH**

To see if the Lyme School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$58,115 to fund the operating costs for the expansion of the current 'half-day' Kindergarten program (8a - 12:30p) into a full-day program (8a - 3p) for all Kindergarten students. Passage of this article will allow the proposed program to become part of the operating budget in subsequent years. (Majority vote required.) (By Petition) The School Board does not recommend this appropriation. The Budget Committee does not recommend this appropriation.

#### **Article 9: Establish Trust Fund for Future Kindergarten Classes**

To see if the Lyme School District will vote to establish a Kindergarten Enrollment Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of covering the District's costs brought about by possible future split Kindergarten classes, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the School Board as agents to expend from said fund. Recommendations Required. If Article 8 fails, this article will be null and void. (Majority Vote Required.) (By Petition) The School Board recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

#### **Article 10: Additional Kindergarten Costs**

To see if the Lyme School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$19,000 for the purpose of funding costs incurred by the reorganization to a full time Kindergarten program; specifically the staffing of the early literacy reading program. This special article is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3 VI (d) and RSA 32:7 V. If Article 8 fails, this article will be null and void. (Majority vote required.) The School Board recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

#### **Article 11: Other Business**

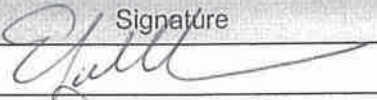

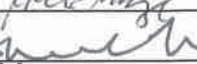




To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

**Article 12: Other Business**

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Lyme this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017.

We certify and attest that on or before February 22, 2017, we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting, and like copies at Lyme Town Office and Lyme PO, and delivered the original to the School District Clerk.

Printed Name	Position	Signature
Elizabeth Glenshaw	School Board Chair	
Jay Davis	School Board Vice Chair	
Heidi Lange	School Board Secretary	
Samuel Levey	School Board Member	
Paul Mayo	School Board Member	
Steven Toulmin	School Board Member	
Alicia Willette	School Board Member	





### School Budget Form: Lyme School District

FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24  
Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Fiscal Year from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018

Form Due Date: 20 days after the meeting

#### THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE SCHOOL WARRANT

This form was posted with the warrant on: \_\_\_\_\_

For assistance please contact the NH DRA Municipal and Property Division  
P: (603) 230-5090 F: (603) 230-5947 <http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>

#### SCHOOL BUDGET COMMITTEE CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

School Budget Committee Members	
Printed Name	Signature
Judith Brotman	
Richard Jones	
Cybele Merrick	
Phil Barta	
Susan MacKenzie	
Erik Colberg	
Elizabeth Glenshaw	
Wilkes McClave	

This form must be signed, scanned, and uploaded to the Municipal Tax Rate Setting Portal:  
<https://www.proptax.org/>

Greg Lange  
Charles Ragan



# Appropriations

Account Code	Description	Warrant Article #	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	School Board's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
<b>Instruction</b>								
1100-1199	Regular Programs	03	\$3,549,513	\$3,835,766	\$4,062,183	\$0	\$4,062,183	\$0
1200-1299	Special Programs	03	\$978,415	\$1,052,770	\$1,064,065	\$0	\$1,064,065	\$0
1300-1399	Vocational Programs		\$12,309	\$23,611	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1400-1499	Other Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1500-1599	Non-Public Programs	03	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1600-1699	Adult/Continuing Education Programs	03	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1700-1799	Community/Junior College Education Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1800-1899	Community Service Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Support Services</b>								
2000-2199	Student Support Services	03	\$211,050	\$249,115	\$257,792	\$0	\$257,792	\$0
2200-2299	Instructional Staff Services	03	\$84,862	\$87,864	\$92,125	\$0	\$92,125	\$0
<b>General Administration</b>								
0000-0000	Collective Bargaining		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2310 (840)	School Board Contingency		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2310-2319	Other School Board	03	\$25,133	\$26,962	\$34,097	\$0	\$34,097	\$0
<b>Executive Administration</b>								
2320 (310)	SAU Management Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2320-2399	All Other Administration	03	\$243,416	\$253,714	\$135,772	\$0	\$135,772	\$0
2400-2499	School Administration Service	03	\$238,487	\$244,510	\$383,401	\$0	\$383,401	\$0
2500-2599	Business		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2600-2699	Plant Operations and Maintenance	03	\$259,572	\$267,819	\$313,249	\$0	\$313,249	\$0
2700-2799	Student Transportation	03	\$116,196	\$120,133	\$121,199	\$0	\$121,199	\$0
2800-2999	Support Service, Central and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Non-Instructional Services</b>								
3100	Food Service Operations	03	\$96,947	\$90,990	\$96,994	\$0	\$96,994	\$0
3200	Enterprise Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Facilities Acquisition and Construction</b>								
4100	Site Acquisition		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4200	Site Improvement		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4300	Architectural/Engineering		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0



Account Code	Description	Warrant Article #	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations Enacting FY (Recommended)	School Board's Appropriations Enacting FY (Not Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Enacting FY (Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Enacting FY (Not Recommended)
4400	Educational Specification Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4500	Building Acquisition/Construction		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4600	Building Improvement Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4900	Other Facilities Acquisition and Construction		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Other Outlays</b>								
5110	Debt Service - Principal	03	\$77,500	\$85,000	\$90,000	\$0	\$90,000	\$0
5120	Debt Service - Interest	03	\$113,736	\$109,593	\$105,130	\$0	\$105,130	\$0
<b>Fund Transfers</b>								
5220-5221	To Food Service	03	\$16,724	\$18,001	\$18,000	\$0	\$18,000	\$0
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5230-5239	To Capital Projects		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5254	To Agency Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5300-5399	Intergovernmental Agency Allocation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9990	Supplemental Appropriation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9992	Deficit Appropriation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Proposed Appropriations</b>			<b>\$6,023,860</b>	<b>\$6,465,848</b>	<b>\$6,774,007</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$6,774,007</b>	<b>\$0</b>



# Special Warrant Articles

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended )	School Board's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended )	Budget Committee's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
5253	To Non-Expendable Trust Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1100-1199	Regular Programs	08	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$58,115	\$0	\$58,115
1100-1199	Regular Programs	<b>Purpose:</b> FULL DAY KINDERGARTEN for the Lyme School - Lyme,						
		10	\$0	\$0	\$19,000	\$0	\$19,000	\$0
		<b>Purpose:</b> Additional Kindergarten Costs						
5251	To Capital Reserve Fund	04	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$0
		<b>Purpose:</b> Transfer from Surplus to Post Retirement Ben CRF						
5251	To Capital Reserve Fund	06	\$0	\$0	\$70,000	\$0	\$70,000	\$0
		<b>Purpose:</b> Transfer of Surplus to Special Education						
5251	To Capital Reserve Fund	09	\$0	\$0	\$30,000	\$0	\$30,000	\$0
		<b>Purpose:</b> Establish Trust Fund for Future Kindergarten Class						
5252	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	05	\$0	\$0	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000	\$0
		<b>Purpose:</b> Transfer of Surplus to High School Trust						
<b>Special Articles Recommended</b>			\$0	\$0	\$154,000	\$58,115	\$154,000	\$58,115

# Individual Warrant Articles

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended )	School Board's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended )	Budget Committee's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
1100-1199	Regular Programs	02	\$0	\$0	\$39,930	\$0	\$39,930	\$0
		<b>Purpose:</b> Collective Bargaining Agreement						
1200-1299	Special Programs	02	\$0	\$0	\$3,627	\$0	\$3,627	\$0
		<b>Purpose:</b> Collective Bargaining Agreement						
2000-2199	Student Support Services	02	\$0	\$0	\$349	\$0	\$349	\$0
		<b>Purpose:</b> Collective Bargaining Agreement						
<b>Individual Articles Recommended</b>			\$0	\$0	\$43,906	\$0	\$43,906	\$0



# Revenues

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Revised Revenues Current Year	School Board's Estimated Revenues	Budget Committee's Estimated Revenues
<b>Local Sources</b>					
1300-1349	Tuition		\$0	\$0	\$0
1400-1449	Transportation Fees		\$0	\$0	\$0
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments	03	\$300	\$300	\$300
1600-1699	Food Service Sales	03	\$59,841	\$65,846	\$65,846
1700-1799	Student Activities		\$0	\$0	\$0
1800-1899	Community Service Activities		\$0	\$0	\$0
1900-1999	Other Local Sources	03	\$875	\$875	\$875
<b>State Sources</b>					
3210	School Building Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3215	Kindergarten Building Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3220	Kindergarten Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3230	Catastrophic Aid		\$33,733	\$0	\$0
3240-3249	Vocational Aid	03	\$4,849	\$6,000	\$6,000
3250	Adult Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
3260	Child Nutrition	03	\$740	\$740	\$740
3270	Driver Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
3290-3299	Other State Sources		\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Federal Sources</b>					
4100-4539	Federal Program Grants		\$0	\$0	\$0
4540	Vocational Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
4550	Adult Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
4560	Child Nutrition	03	\$12,408	\$12,408	\$12,408
4570	Disabilities Programs	03	\$49,599	\$49,599	\$49,599
4580	Medicaid Distribution		\$0	\$0	\$0
4590-4999	Other Federal Sources (non-4810)		\$0	\$0	\$0
4810	Federal Forest Reserve	03	\$474	\$474	\$474
<b>Other Financing Sources</b>					
5110-5139	Sale of Bonds or Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
5140	Reimbursement Anticipation Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
5221	Transfer from Food Service Special Reserve Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
5222	Transfer from Other Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5230	Transfer from Capital Project Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0



Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Revised Revenues Current Year	School Board's Estimated Revenues	Budget Committee's Estimated Revenues
5251	Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds		\$60,000	\$0	\$0
5252	Transfer from Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5253	Transfer from Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5300-5699	Other Financing Sources		\$20,000	\$0	\$0
9997	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)		\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance	06, 05, 04	\$0	\$105,000	\$105,000
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Estimated Revenues and Credits</b>			<b>\$242,819</b>	<b>\$241,242</b>	<b>\$241,242</b>

## Budget Summary

Item	Current Year	School Board Ensnung Year	Budget Committee Ensnung Year
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended	\$6,465,848	\$6,774,007	\$6,774,007
Special Warrant Articles Recommended	\$150,120	\$154,000	\$154,000
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended	\$46,503	\$43,906	\$43,906
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	\$6,662,471	\$6,971,913	\$6,971,913
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$463,539	\$241,242	\$241,242
Estimated Amount of State Education Tax/Grant		\$472,484	\$472,484
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised for Education		\$6,258,187	\$6,258,187

## Budget Committee Supplemental Schedule

<b>1. Total Recommended by Budget Committee</b>	<b>\$6,971,913</b>
<b>Less Exclusions:</b>	
2. Principal: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	\$90,000
3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	\$105,130
4. Capital outlays funded from Long-Term Bonds & Notes	\$0
5. Mandatory Assessments	\$0
6. Total Exclusions ( <i>Sum of Lines 2 through 5 above</i> )	\$195,130
<b>7. Amount Recommended, Less Exclusions (Line 1 less Line 6)</b>	<b>\$6,776,783</b>
8. 10% of Amount Recommended, Less Exclusions ( <i>Line 7 x 10%</i> )	\$677,678
<b>Collective Bargaining Cost Items:</b>	
9. Recommended Cost Items (Prior to Meeting)	\$43,906
10. Voted Cost Items (Voted at Meeting)	\$0
11. Amount voted over recommended amount ( <i>Difference of Lines 9 and 10</i> )	\$0
<b>12. Bond Override (RSA 32:18-a), Amount Voted</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Maximum Allowable Appropriations Voted At Meeting: (Line 1 + Line 8 + Line 11 + Line 12)</b>	<b>\$7,649,591</b>

# SAU #76 - Lyme School District

## Proposed Budget 2018

Report # 14082

Statement Code: A Working

Account Number / Description	2016 Budget 7/1/2015 - 6/30/2016	2016 Actual 7/1/2015 - 6/30/2016	2017 Budget 7/1/2016 - 6/30/2017	2018 Proposed 7/1/2017 - 6/30/2018	Difference
<b>1100 High School Instruction</b>	<b>\$1,550,660.00</b>	<b>\$1,537,641.01</b>	<b>\$1,646,865.00</b>	<b>\$1,916,390.00</b>	<b>\$269,525.00</b>
<b>1200 High School Special Ed.</b>	<b>\$236,422.76</b>	<b>\$350,986.82</b>	<b>\$401,949.36</b>	<b>\$309,684.46</b>	<b>\$(92,264.90)</b>
<b>1100 Regular Instruction</b>	<b>\$1,946,416.50</b>	<b>\$1,895,343.48</b>	<b>\$2,089,877.19</b>	<b>\$2,021,533.65</b>	<b>\$(68,343.54)</b>
<b>1110 Foreign Language, Elem.</b>	<b>\$116,938.69</b>	<b>\$115,796.36</b>	<b>\$122,635.01</b>	<b>\$124,258.63</b>	<b>\$1,623.62</b>
<b>1200 Elementary Special Ed</b>	<b>\$659,434.28</b>	<b>\$581,609.46</b>	<b>\$650,821.06</b>	<b>\$754,380.94</b>	<b>\$103,559.88</b>
<b>2120 Guidance</b>	<b>\$41,666.13</b>	<b>\$40,353.02</b>	<b>\$42,317.06</b>	<b>\$42,471.46</b>	<b>\$154.40</b>
<b>2130 Health Services</b>	<b>\$76,535.48</b>	<b>\$73,835.40</b>	<b>\$81,916.76</b>	<b>\$80,419.88</b>	<b>\$(1,496.88)</b>
<b>2140 Psychological Services</b>	<b>\$21,000.00</b>	<b>\$28,781.25</b>	<b>\$24,100.00</b>	<b>\$29,000.00</b>	<b>\$4,900.00</b>
<b>2150 Speech Services</b>	<b>\$35,757.00</b>	<b>\$39,095.00</b>	<b>\$68,000.00</b>	<b>\$74,000.00</b>	<b>\$6,000.00</b>
<b>2160 OT/PT Services</b>	<b>\$22,228.88</b>	<b>\$27,626.53</b>	<b>\$32,781.00</b>	<b>\$31,901.00</b>	<b>\$(880.00)</b>
<b>2190 Other Student Services</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>2210 Improvement/Instruction</b>	<b>\$40,412.00</b>	<b>\$41,374.19</b>	<b>\$40,197.00</b>	<b>\$44,502.00</b>	<b>\$4,305.00</b>
<b>2211 Supervision/Improvement</b>	<b>\$10,000.00</b>	<b>\$5,975.00</b>	<b>\$7,500.00</b>	<b>\$7,500.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>2220 Library</b>	<b>\$38,030.39</b>	<b>\$37,513.08</b>	<b>\$40,166.88</b>	<b>\$40,122.52</b>	<b>\$(44.36)</b>
<b>2310 School Board</b>	<b>\$23,656.45</b>	<b>\$25,133.23</b>	<b>\$26,962.45</b>	<b>\$34,097.00</b>	<b>\$7,134.55</b>
<b>2320 SAU Administration</b>	<b>\$241,855.65</b>	<b>\$243,415.60</b>	<b>\$253,713.87</b>	<b>\$135,772.06</b>	<b>\$(117,941.81)</b>
<b>2400 School Administration</b>	<b>\$239,805.37</b>	<b>\$238,486.80</b>	<b>\$244,509.84</b>	<b>\$383,400.85</b>	<b>\$138,891.01</b>
<b>2600 Building &amp; Grounds</b>	<b>\$256,528.71</b>	<b>\$258,523.00</b>	<b>\$267,818.77</b>	<b>\$313,248.92</b>	<b>\$45,430.15</b>
<b>2700 Transportation</b>	<b>\$103,420.00</b>	<b>\$116,195.51</b>	<b>\$120,132.52</b>	<b>\$121,198.88</b>	<b>\$1,066.36</b>
<b>Farm to School</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$1,370.34</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>5100 Debt Service</b>	<b>\$191,236.25</b>	<b>\$191,236.25</b>	<b>\$194,592.50</b>	<b>\$195,130.00</b>	<b>\$537.50</b>
<b>5221 Transfer to Food Service</b>	<b>\$18,001.43</b>	<b>\$16,724.38</b>	<b>\$18,001.43</b>	<b>\$18,000.00</b>	<b>\$(1.43)</b>
<b>3100 Food Service</b>	<b>\$84,573.81</b>	<b>\$93,129.22</b>	<b>\$90,990.09</b>	<b>\$96,994.40</b>	<b>\$6,004.31</b>
<b>Idea B Grant</b>	<b>\$45,025.00</b>	<b>\$44,897.92</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Idea Preschool Grant</b>	<b>\$921.00</b>	<b>\$921.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

# SAU #76 - Lyme School District

## Proposed Budget 2018

Report # 14082

	2016 Budget	2016 Actual	2017 Budget	2018 Proposed	Difference
Account Number / Description	7/1/2015 - 6/30/2016	7/1/2015 - 6/30/2016	7/1/2016 - 6/30/2017	7/1/2017 - 6/30/2018	
<b>Small Rural Schools Grant</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$12,350.36</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET</b>	<b>\$6,001,025.78</b>	<b>\$6,018,314.21</b>	<b>\$6,465,847.79</b>	<b>\$6,774,006.65</b>	<b>\$308,158.86</b>



# SAU #76 - Lyme School District

## Anticipated Revenue 2018

Report # 14076

Statement Code: Revenue

	2016 Actual	2017 Budget	2018 Anticipated	Difference
Account Number / Description	7/1/2015 - 6/30/2016	7/1/2016 - 6/30/2017	7/1/2017 - 6/30/2018	
<b>10 GENERAL FUND</b>				
10-0-1111-4000-00000 Current Appropriations	(4,616,513.00)	(5,043,828.60)	(5,410,684.65)	(366,856.05)
10-0-1510-4000-00000 Interest on Investments	(348.16)	(300.00)	(300.00)	0.00
10-0-1990-4000-00000 Other Local Revenue	(24,026.81)	(875.00)	(875.00)	0.00
10-0-1991-4000-00000 Scholarship Income	(3,058.08)	0.00	0.00	0.00
10-0-3105-4000-00000 *State Taxes	(794,962.00)	(796,391.00)	(754,596.00)	41,795.00
10-0-3110-4000-00000 Equitable Ed Aid	(287,108.00)	(382,809.19)	(472,484.00)	(89,674.81)
10-0-3230-4000-00000 Catastrophic Aid	(16,261.93)	(33,733.00)	0.00	33,733.00
10-0-3240-4000-00000 Vocational Aid	(7,500.46)	(4,849.00)	(6,000.00)	(1,151.00)
10-0-4810-4000-00000 Federal Forest Reserve	(474.17)	(474.00)	(474.00)	0.00
10-0-5252-4000-00000 Special Ed. Reserve	0.00	(60,000.00)	0.00	60,000.00
10-0-5251-4000-00001 Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund	(20,000.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00
10-0-1980-4000-70000 Budgeted PY Fund Balance	0.00	(20,000.00)	0.00	20,000.00
<b>TOTAL 10 GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$(5,770,252.61)</b>	<b>\$(6,343,259.79)</b>	<b>\$(6,645,413.65)</b>	<b>\$(302,153.86)</b>
<b>21 FOOD SERVICE</b>				
21-0-1600-4000-00000 Food Service Sales	(64,329.62)	(59,841.00)	(65,846.00)	(6,005.00)
21-0-3260-4000-00000 Food Service Aid	(832.18)	(740.00)	(740.00)	0.00
21-0-4260-4000-00000 Child Nutrition Program	(11,243.04)	(12,408.00)	(12,408.00)	0.00
21-0-5221-4000-00000 Fund Transfers	(16,724.38)	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL 21 FOOD SERVICE</b>	<b>\$(93,129.22)</b>	<b>\$(72,989.00)</b>	<b>\$(78,994.00)</b>	<b>\$(6,005.00)</b>
<b>22 SPECIAL REVENUES</b>				
22-0-4520-4000-00000 Small Rural Schools Grant	(12,350.36)	0.00	0.00	0.00
22-0-4500-4000-02549 Idea-B Grant	(44,897.92)	(48,629.00)	(48,629.00)	0.00
22-0-4501-4000-02742 Idea Preschool Grant	(921.00)	(970.00)	(970.00)	0.00
22-0-4521-4000-02800 Title I Grant	(370.25)	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL 22 SPECIAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$(58,539.53)</b>	<b>\$(49,599.00)</b>	<b>\$(49,599.00)</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$(5,921,921.36)</b>	<b>\$(6,465,847.79)</b>	<b>\$(6,774,006.65)</b>	<b>\$(308,158.86)</b>

## Accounting of Actual Special Education Expenses and Revenues\*

### Special Education Revenues

Account	Description	Actual 2015	Actual 2016
<b>Local Funds</b>			
1111	**Current Appropriation	\$ 753,367	\$ 870,183
<b>State Funds</b>			
3100	Adequacy	\$ 45,193	\$ 53,976
3105	State Taxes	\$ 136,109	\$ 149,453
3230	Catastrophic Aid	\$ 28,242	\$ 16,262
	Subtotal	\$ 209,544	\$ 219,691
<b>Federal Funds</b>			
4500	Special Education Grants	\$ 49,799	\$ 45,819
4580	Medicaid Distribution	\$ -	\$ -
	Subtotal	\$ 49,799	\$ 45,819
<b>Other Funds</b>			
5000	Transfers from Expendable Trusts	\$ -	\$ -
	Total	\$ 1,012,710	\$ 1,135,693

### Special Education Expenditures

Account	Description	Actual 2015	Actual 2016
1200	Regular Special Education	\$ 636,816	\$ 596,507
1230	High School Special Education	\$ 199,463	\$ 350,987
2140	Psychological Services	\$ 32,485	\$ 28,781
2150	Speech Language Services	\$ 61,988	\$ 69,095
2160	OT/PT Services	\$ 21,600	\$ 28,548
2190	Other Student Services	\$ -	\$ -
2320	SAU Administration (Director's salary/benefits)	\$ 60,358	\$ 61,775
	Total	\$ 1,012,710	\$ 1,135,693

\*As required by NH RSA 32:11-a.

\*\* Approximately 18.8% of total appropriation

State of New Hampshire  
**Lyme School District - Annual Meeting**  
March 3, 2016 6:00 p.m.  
Lyme School Cafeteria  
Minutes

Moderator William Waste brought this meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

There were approximately 140 in attendance. School Board Members present: Elizabeth Glenshaw, Chair, Jay Davis, Heidi Lange, Samuel Levy, Paul Mayo, Steven Toulmin and Alicia Willette.

Also in attendance were: Mike Harris, Superintendent, Teresa Thurston, Coordinator of Business Services, Jeffrey Valence, Principal, Steven Dayno, teacher.

Announcements made in regards to election of School District Officials which will be on Tuesday March, 8, 2016 with polls open between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

The Rules of Order were reviewed.

Voice without vote was asked for and then granted to Mike Harris and Teresa Thurston, with no objections.

Article 1 was opened by Moderator Waste;

**Article 1: Hear Reports of Others**

To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or other officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

**Motion moved** as read by Moderator by Robert Sanborn

**Motion seconded** by Judith Lee Shelnutt Brotman

Moderator Waste called for discussion. No desire for a discussion was noted from the body.

**ARTICLE 1 WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE. (UNANIMOUS).**

Moderator Waste announced that discussion and vote on subsequent articles would be held after a brief presentation by the School Board.

The School Board began a presentation at 6:10 p.m. and concluded at 6:50 p.m. A copy of the presentation is held with the original filing of these minutes in the Town Office Records Safe. The three main areas covered were: Enrollment and Educational Costs presented by Jeff Valence, the proposed Budget presented by Elizabeth Glenshaw and the course of actions that led to the development of Article 3. (*Article 3: After K Program*) presented by Jay Davis.

Highlights included, but were not limited to;

- Lyme K-8 Enrollment has increased 26.5% to a current total of 210 students.
- The High School Choice option has saved the School District over \$86,000 as compared to all students being required to go to Hanover.

- There are several budget expenses that the Town has no control over: High School Tuition, Special Education, Speech, OT & PT services and Out of District Placements. These are State or Federal mandates with little or no cost reimbursement from the State or Federal Government.
- There were several unanticipated Out of District Placements this year.
- The Budget has increased 7.7% this year.
- This includes an increase of \$193,000 to Special Education, and increase of \$92,000 for High School Tuition and an increase of \$15,000 for an adjustment needed in transporting children to the school in light of the River Road closure.
- The 19 new students have increased the census in 3 of the classes to the “tipping point” at which a classroom split is to be considered. Although 2 teachers would be ideal, the budget was created with one full-time teacher.
- They have placed a hold on several strategic plan items to limit the overall budget increase.
- The Teachers had agreed in their contract to make an adjustment to their Health Plan saving \$81,000.
- The Full Day, school funded, Kindergarten option was rejected.
- 4.5% of the increase went to High School Tuition, Out of District Placements and River Road/Bussing.
- 1.6% went to staff salaries and benefits. Administration staff is not receiving a Salary increase.
- 1.6 % of the increase reflects the budgeting for a teacher to address the splits.
- The Academic committee explored the issues and research around Full-Day Kindergarten.
- Cornish and Lyme are the only two Upper Valley Towns without Full Day Kindergarten
- 90 of 158 N.H. School Districts have Full Day programs
- The research shows slight short term benefits for all students and better long term outcomes for students in lower socio-economic groups, English as a Second Language students and Latino’s.
- A budget increase would be \$64,000 for one session of kindergarten and \$191,000 for two sessions.
- A high quality program is more important than a longer day program.
- Based on current patterns, there would be a split grade every four years leading to an annual cost of \$96,051.

The program concluded at 6:50 p.m. and the normal meeting format resumed.

## **Article 02: Operating Budget**

To see if the Lyme School District will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee's recommended amount of \$6,465,848 for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the district. This article does not include amounts proposed in any other article except for Article 9. The School Board recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required.)

**Motion read and moved by Elizabeth Glenshaw**

**Motion seconded by Judith Lee Shelnett Brotman**

Moderator Waste called for discussion:

- Clarification was sought and given regarding monies being transferred to the Capital Reserve Fund
- It was clarified that the Teacher Salary increase of 2.5% was part of the collective bargaining agreement from last year. Salary and Health Benefits were also clarified.

- Concern expressed that, although Article 3, as presented this year, has no budget impact but it may very well a few years down the road. Jay Davis stressed that the inevitability of a Full-Time Kindergarten was not pre-set and would probably be brought forward by Warrant Article if/when that time comes.
- Clarification was made about the Teacher contract, salaries and Health Benefits.
- Clarification was made that the 7.7% budget increase includes all monies in the remainder of the Warrant Articles. Concern was expressed that is the budget increase of 7.7% each year would be difficult for many citizens to maintain.
- It was noted that Bus ridership appears to be low. There is currently no firm data on bus ridership and therefore cost per pupil actually utilizing bus service is unknown. Busing is mandatory.
- Further clarification was sought on how one teacher was going to be able to cover the three anticipated splits. Jeff Valence explained the rationale behind the decision and the balance between less than ideal situations, perhaps larger than desirable class sizes (there is no mandate on class size) balanced against an even larger budget increase. A citizen pointed out that there is such a thing as a "too small" class size.
- The Hanover and State wide class sizes were reviewed. Generally between 20 and 25 for lower grades.
- Jeff Valence stressed that the para-professionals in the classroom were exceptionally talented and underpaid. The role of the aides in the classrooms was discussed. Aides are generally associated with one student's individualized Education Plan (IEP) and are allowed to assist other students that fall within the sphere of and may have an impact on the IEP Student.
- A citizen expressed concern that with no salary increase for the administration they may choose to look elsewhere for enhanced opportunities.
- A discussion about the specific costs of adding a second teacher into the budget was held. It would increase the budget by approximately \$96,000 and felt to be prohibitive at this time. The plan is to cover this with creative staffing solutions; soft-splits where the same teacher provides instruction for both classes at separate times, increased use of the most highly qualified aides and other aides.
- Although not committed yet, three teachers have expressed an interest in early retirement. Articles 4 and 5 will re-purpose the Retirement Benefit Capital Reserve fund to better meet the needs of future retirements. Several questions around the retirement funds, policy and process were asked and answered.

Seeing no further discussion Moderator Waste called for the vote by voice.

**ARTICLE 2 WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE. (MAJORITY).**

### **Article 03: After K Program**

To see if the Lyme School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$46,503 for the purpose of extending the day for Kindergarten students, to be offset by payments from students' families. The School Board recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. No amount to be raised by taxation. (Majority vote required.)

**Motion read and moved** by Jay Davis

**Motion seconded** by Elizabeth Glenshaw

Moderator Waste called for discussion:



- Elizabeth Glenshaw clarified that this article is written to allow the School to spend money that will be raised by private funds and does not affect the budget. For the program to run, it would take 14 families to enroll and privately pay to raise the above sum. The program has built in large enough margins to include, at no cost to them, families whose income level qualifies for the Free/Reduced meal plan. Like the use of the principal's fund, there would be a review of any students/family situation to ensure that every student/family who wishes to participate would be able to do so regardless of ability to pay.
- There would be no new curricula presented in the afternoon, rather a deepening and broadening of topics introduced in the morning and allow for more excursions into the community. Currently almost one half of the students attend the after-school program as it currently exists. Led by a non-teacher this is more a day-care setting with little or no structured learning. A desire has been expressed by parents for a more robust program.
- A summary of the questions and/or concerns includes:
  - What if there are too many in need to be covered by the 14 families?
  - What if a family doesn't qualify for Free/Reduced meals but it would still be a financial burden?
  - Who/how would determine these needs and grant the "scholarships"?
  - Isn't this essentially a private Kindergarten?
  - What about the balance between school and home life? Not all children and families are ready for nor desire a full day program.
  - What about families that choose not to participate-- might those children then fall behind or be at disadvantage, academically and/or socially?
  - If the Teacher is currently a part-time school employee and is placed on a full-time for the program and the program doesn't work out, what happens to that position?
  - Does not this defeat the intent of "free" public education?
  - Is there really a need or is this a desire? How many of the population most likely to need/benefit identified in the presentation (lower socio-economic, ESL or Latino's) does the Lyme School serve?
  - Isn't this just a lead-in to get a (tax based) Full Day Kindergarten program? (This particular concern was raised several times by different speakers and endorsed by others.)
  - Looking for ways to privately fund a public education is less than desirable.
- A summary of the clarifications and/or supports of the program includes:
  - Compelling research shows benefits to those in lower socio-economic, ESL or Latino's. The funding of this project was of deep concern to the committee so no family would be excluded. Although, Jay Davis states there are relatively few families in Lyme that fall into those categories, some do.
  - Additional funding sources have also been discussed including offering a sliding scale, 100% private fundraising, creating a Reserve Fund, the Principal's Fund (although Jeff Valence indicates this account is less robust than it once was and should perhaps not be significantly counted on in this manner).
  - The Teacher Involved is well-aware of the risks.
  - There is long history in Lyme of supporting educational improvements by private fund-raising.
  - This is a creative first step to a fully funded Full Day Kindergarten
  - There is a strong desire indicated by parents for this type of programming.
  - Other communities offer this type of programming and individuals present strongly endorse it.

Several times the Board and committee were praised for their hard and thoughtful work in finding a solution that worked the best for the most Lyme Families and had much praise for the current program, providing very High Quality education.

Richard Jones called the question.

Seeing no objection Moderator Waste called for the vote by voice.

Two voice votes were held. Moderator Waste deemed them too close to determine and called for a Ballot Vote.

The rules and procedures for the vote were covered by Moderator Waste. Orange ballot cards were distributed to all those identifying as Registered Lyme voters, the ballots were collected and counted.

**ARTICLE 3 WAS VOTED IN THE NEGATIVE BY BALLOT VOTE. (NO-68, YES-62).**

#### **Article 04: Discontinue Enrollment Response Capital Reserve Fund**

To see if the town will vote to discontinue the Enrollment Response Capital Reserve Fund created in March, 2011. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the municipality's general fund. The School Board recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

**Motion read and moved** by Sam Levy

**Motion seconded** by John Mudge

Moderator Waste called for discussion:

The Board explained that the purpose of this Article was to re-purpose existing funds. The current fund has \$100,120. That amount would be completely withdrawn and placed in the General Fund and then re-distributed into the funds noted in Articles 5 & 6. This money otherwise must be budgeted and kept even if not spent in a particular year, so that it is available if a teacher decides to retire and collect the contracted benefit.

**ARTICLE 4 WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE. (UNANIMOUS).**

#### **Article 05: Establish Post Retirement Benefit Capital Reserve**

To see if the town will vote to establish a Post Retirement Benefit Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of covering the District's costs brought about by staff retirements, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,060 to be placed in this fund, with this sum to come from the June 30, 2016 Fund Balance available for transfer on July 1. Further, to name the School Board as agents to expend from said fund. The School Board recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. No amount to be raised by taxation. (Majority Vote Required)

**Motion read and moved** by Samuel Levy

**Motion seconded** by John Mudge

Moderator Waste called for discussion:

Clarification around the wording of the Article and is this "town" or "school". The wording of the Article has been recommended and approved by the N.H. Department of Revenue Administration. The effect is that it is school funds held by the Town Trustees of the Trust Funds.

**ARTICLE 5 WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE. (UNANIMOUS).**

## **Article 06: Establish Enrollment Response Capital Reserve Fund**

To see if the town will vote to establish an Enrollment Response Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of covering the District's costs brought about by changes in enrollment, including but not limited to additional tuition costs or operating expenses, such as additional staff, equipment, or needed rentals for portable classrooms, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,060 to be placed in this fund, with this sum to come from the June 30, 2016 Fund Balance available for transfer on July 1. Further, to name the School Board as agents to expend from said fund. The School Board recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. No amount to be raised by taxation. (Majority Vote Required)

**Motion read and moved by Samuel Levy**

**Motion seconded by Cynthia Bognolo**

Moderator Waste called for discussion. No desire for a discussion was noted from the body.

**ARTICLE 6 WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE. (UNANIMOUS).**

## **Article 07: Transfer of Surplus to Special Education Fund**

To see if the Lyme School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to \$25,000 to be added to the Special Education Capital Reserve Fund, previously established at the Lyme School District meeting on March 8, 1984, with such amount to be funded from the year end undesignated fund balance available on July 1, 2016. No amount to be raised by taxation. (Note: This transfer would only occur if there were a surplus at the end of the current fiscal year.) The School Board recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required.)

**Motion read and moved by Steve Toulmin**

**Motion seconded by Richard Jones**

Moderator Waste called for discussion. No desire for a discussion was noted from the body.

**ARTICLE 7 WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE. (UNANIMOUS).**

## **Article 08: Transfer of Surplus to High School Trust**

To see if the Lyme School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to \$25,000 to be added to the High School Tuition Expendable Trust Fund previously established at the Lyme School District meeting on March 9, 1995, with such amount to be funded from the year end undesignated fund balance available on July 1, 2016. No amount to be raised from taxation. (Note: This transfer would only occur if there were a surplus at the end of the current fiscal year.) The School Board recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required.)

**Motion read and moved by Samuel Levy**

**Motion seconded by Robert Sanborn**

Moderator Waste called for discussion. No desire for a discussion was noted from the body.

**ARTICLE 8 WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE. (UNANIMOUS).**

**Article 9: Salaries of District Officials**

To determine and fix the salaries of school district officers as follows: School District Treasurer \$800.00; School District Clerk \$75.00; School District Moderator \$75.00. The amounts in this article are included in Article 2.

**Motion read and moved** by Paul Mayo

**Motion seconded** by Michael Woodard

Moderator Waste called for discussion. No desire for a discussion was noted from the body.

**ARTICLE 9 WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE. (UNANIMOUS).**

The floor was yielded briefly to Jeff Valence. He announced that there would be an art auction occurring next Tuesday during Town Meeting day featuring Lyme Artists and Lyme Art Students. The proceeds are to benefit the Artist in Residence program which this year created the mosaic now displayed in the lobby of the school. He also thanked all members of the School Board who were honored by a round of applause from the audience and it was noted that they are all returning to serve next year.

Article 10 was opened by Moderator Waste;

**Article 10: Other Business**

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Moderator Waste called for discussion. Seeing none, he called for a vote and closed the meeting.

**ARTICLE 10 WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE. (UNANIMOUS).**

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 p.m.**



Elise Garrity  
School District Clerk



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Our school enrollment trend has remained above 200 over the last several years. It is currently 205 and we continue to meet with families who seek to move to Lyme and become members of our town community, which is both an indicator of success, and a challenge. This year's budget sits at the base of an increase in the number of high school students that will steadily increase over the next 5 years, after which we presume it may stabilize, but it is difficult to predict that far out. As an example, this year we have gained 5 new high school students that were not in our budget (each one accounts for ~\$20k to be paid out of our budget) and 10 new elementary students, which we have been able to absorb without increasing staff or incurring unbudgeted costs.

Our intention, beginning in the next year, is to moderate the impact of the rising number of high school students with the high school trust fund. Our challenge is to keep taxes as low as possible, given the increase in high school tuition while not dismantling the K-8 program. However, since K-8 is all we can control, over the last 5 years we have had to offset rising costs in special education and high school tuition by making cuts to the operation of our K-8 program, and we are now at a point where further cuts would impact personnel and programs.

We are proud of the success of our school and aspire to continue to be viewed as a school that is succeeding for families in our community. We feel our school is sought after as it combines academic rigor with the values and culture associated with our small, rural town. However, we also recognize that in a small town, with restrictions on growth and development, a rising enrollment has an impact on the growth rate of its taxes. As expensive as it is to support a successful school, the only thing more expensive is fixing a failing one. Our challenge is to maintain fiscal responsibility, a commitment to academic progress and to never take for granted the success of our school or the support of our community. My pride and confidence in our school is derived from the knowledge that we continue the legacy of an incredibly responsible and involved school board, a faculty that aspires to be more effective each day, and a school community that commits itself to balance fiscal and educational priorities. To this end, we have been able to introduce programs in our school through private funding.

We intend to continue to seek more opportunities like those we have implemented this year. By collaborating with non-profit agencies, volunteers and our existing staff, these programs do not commit us to long-term costs. We are seeking those in our community who can assist us in the effort to bring the kind of experiences and instruction that will prepare our students for their economy. Your support of the school as a taxpayer is certainly the most significant way to assist in this effort; however, your time and input is equally valued and appreciated.



**LYME SCHOOL DISTRICT  
COMPARATIVE YEARLY ENROLLMENTS  
For October First of Each Year**

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>SPEC</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
1989	19	28	27	23	17	26	19	20	14	15	10	16	21	3	258
1990	25	20	26	25	20	16	24	19	20	14	17	8	17	4	255
1991	21	28	19	24	24	21	15	22	20	16	15	17	11	2	255
1992	21	24	29	25	24	23	23	16	25	19	17	14	21	2	283
1993	20	20	25	31	17	21	25	21	17	24	18	16	14	1	270
1994	14	16	22	24	33	17	21	24	27	17	25	19	18	5	282
1995	30	16	21	23	25	33	16	20	25	22	18	24	18	4	295
1996	15	32	18	22	24	23	32	16	23	25	18	23	21	3	295
1997	14	19	31	21	21	23	23	33	17	24	21	16	18	4	285
1998	10	15	18	30	18	23	23	22	32	17	22	18	16	5	269
1999	17	14	15	19	29	19	25	24	23	30	20	23	23	3	284
2000	21	17	13	14	18	28	18	24	24	22	33	21	20	3	276
2001	19	21	13	14	15	18	26	18	24	23	28	25	23	3	270
2002	9	22	23	17	12	17	16	27	19	25	25	24	30	2	268
2003	19	10	22	27	15	17	16	18	27	24	27	25	23	2	272
2004	13	20	14	22	29	15	18	17	16	28	24	23	28	0	267
2005	20	15	18	14	23	29	13	22	17	20	28	23	25	0	267
2006	19	21	16	19	16	26	30	17	20	22	18	25	25	2	276
2007	18	20	19	18	19	15	27	26	16	20	24	16	26	2	266
2008	20	18	21	22	20	19	16	28	27	21	19	22	15	1	269
2009	23	19	19	23	26	20	17	16	24	27	21	18	26	0	279
2010	20	29	22	18	24	26	19	18	18	28	29	19	19	0	289
2011	20	24	30	23	18	22	28	18	18	20	28	27	20	1	297
2012	12	26	21	34	24	20	24	28	20	18	19	30	28	1	305
2013	16	16	25	17	35	25	19	20	26	17	20	19	29	1	285
2014	18	16	14	28	18	36	27	18	19	25	17	20	20	2	278
2015	19	22	18	22	25	18	36	26	20	25	24	17	19	3	294
2016	15	21	21	18	23	25	18	34	28	22	25	25	18	2	295

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**Little Town Meeting**  
Tuesday, March 7, 2017 ~ 7:00 pm

**School Meeting**  
Thursday, March 9, 2017 ~ 6:00 pm  
Business Meeting

**Town Meeting – Elections & Official Ballots**  
Tuesday, March 14, 2017 ~ 7:00 am – 7:00 pm  
Official Ballot Issues  
Election of Town & School Officers

**Town Meeting – Business Meeting**  
Tuesday, March 14, 2017 ~ 9:00 am