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DEER ISLE-STONINGTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT 13 ADDENDUM FOR THE WARRANT FOR THE DISTRICT BUDGET MEETING May 27, 2025, 6:00 p.m.

TO: Rhonda Eaton, a resident of the Deer Isle-Stonington Community School District 13 in the County of Hancock, and State of Maine:

GREETINGS: In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify the inhabitants of the Deer Isle-Stonington Community School District 13 in said County and State, qualified to vote in Deer Isle-Stonington Community School District 13 affairs to meet at the Deer Isle-Stonington High School in the Town of Deer Isle on Tuesday, May 27, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the evening, then and there to act upon the following articles to wit:

ARTICLE 1A. To choose a Moderator to preside over said meeting.

ARTICLE 1. To see what sum the District will be allowed to expend for K-12 Regular Instruction. School Board Recommends: \$2,998,606.63

Prior Year \$2,682,008.92

The K-12 INSTRUCTION account includes expenses directly related to regular classroom teaching, salaries for teachers, substitutes, and paraprofessionals, and classroom instructional materials, equipment and supplies.

ARTICLE 2. To see what sum the District will authorize the School Board to expend for Special Education.

School Board Recommends: \$1,484,347.97

Prior Year \$1,520,457.79

The SPECIAL EDUCATION account includes expenses for K-12 special education and special education administration.

ARTICLE 3. To see what sum the District will authorize the School Board to expend for Career and Technical Education Instruction.

School Board Recommends: \$5,000.00

Prior Year \$7,500.00

The CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION INSTRUCTION account includes expenses for tuition at Hancock County Technical Center.

ARTICLE 4. To see what sum the District will authorize the School Board to expend for Other Instruction.

School Board Recommends: \$312,401.13

Prior Year \$266,960.29

The OTHER INSTRUCTION account includes expenses for co-curricular and extra-curricular programs.

ARTICLE 5. To see what sum the District will authorize the School Board to expend for Student and Staff Instructional Support.

School Board Recommends: \$494,949.81

Prior Year \$484,062.56

The INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT account includes expenses for support of classroom instruction such as guidance counseling, library, student health, technology, staff development, curriculum development, testing and assessment.

ARTICLE 6. To see what sum the District will authorize the School Board to expend for System Administration.

School Board Recommends: \$532,910.76

Prior Year \$418,753.96

The SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION account includes all expenses system wide for the direction and management of all schools, instructional programs, the school board and the superintendent's office.

ARTICLE 7. To see what sum the District will authorize the School Board to expend for School Administration.

School Board Recommends: \$724,204.76

Prior Year \$646,400.26

The SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION account includes expenses for the school principal offices.

ARTICLE 8. To see what sum the District will authorize the School Board to expend for Transportation and Buses.

School Board Recommends: \$496,554.48

Prior Year \$438,404.48

The TRANSPORTATION account includes expenses for bus fuel and contracted student transportation services.

ARTICLE 9. To see what sum the District will authorize the School Board to expend for Facilities Maintenance and Operation.

School Board Recommends: \$1,001,143.94

Prior Year \$922,058.79

The OPERATIONS account includes expenses for operation and maintenance of physical plant and grounds, insurance, utilities, equipment and supplies.

ARTICLE 10. To see what sum the District will authorize the School Board to expend in All Other Expenditures.

School Board Recommends: \$0

Prior Year \$0

ARTICLE 11. To see what sum the District will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act (Recommended: \$4,656,852.11) and to see what sum the district will raise as each municipality's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes Title 20-A, §1485 and §1486.

School Board Recommends: \$3,914,541.22

Prior Year \$3,907,858.71

Total appropriated (by municipality) Total raised (district assessments by municipality)

 Deer Isle
 \$3,208,571.10
 Deer Isle
 \$2,697,118.90

 Stonington
 \$1,448,281.01
 Stonington
 \$1,217,422.32

 District Total
 \$4,656,852.11
 District Total
 \$3,914,541.22

Explanation: The district's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act is the amount of money determined by state law to be the minimum amount that the District must raise in order to receive the full amount of state dollars of \$751,729.69

Prior Year \$808,843.02

ARTICLE 12. (Written Ballot Required) To see what sum the District shall raise and appropriate for additional local funds, which exceed the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by the amount set forth below as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Board.

The School Board recommends \$2,506,490.47 for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$2,506,490.47:

Total cost by municipality (estimate)

Deer Isle (68.90%) \$1,726,971.93

Stonington (31.10%) \$779,518.54 School District Total \$2,506,490.47

Prior Year \$1,878,627.22

Reason: The additional local fund request exceeds the EPS funding model because the district spends more per pupil on regular education, special education, transportation, administration and facilities maintenance than the EPS formula recognizes. The additional local fund request exceeds the EPS funding model because the EPS funding model does not adequately fund small schools. In addition, the EPS funding model provides very minimal subsidy to schools in coastal communities with high property valuations and low enrollments.

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the district's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act that will help achieve the school's budget for educational programs. The formula is based 100% on the October 1st student enrollment from each town.

ARTICLE 13. To see what sum the District will authorize the School Board to raise and appropriate in additional local funds in support of the food service program. School Board Recommends: \$0 *Prior Year \$0*

ARTICLE 14. To see what sum the District will authorize the School Board to expend in support of the food service program for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026 with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the Food Service Program.

School Board Recommends: \$355,505.07

Prior Year \$354,403.66

ARTICLE 15. To see what sum the District will authorize the School Board to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026 from the school district's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20 A,§1569, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, local appropriations, state subsidy, and other receipts for the support of schools.

School Board Recommends: \$8,050,119.48

Prior Year \$7,386,607.05

This is the summary expenditure article, authorizing the District School Board to spend the money raised and appropriated in the previous articles as well as revenues from all other sources. This article does not provide money unless the appropriation articles are approved.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the District will appropriate: \$197,890.72 for Adult Education and raise \$90,513.83 as the local share; with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the adult education program. School Board Recommends: \$197,890.72

Prior Year \$197,157.71

This amount represents the money the District needs to fund ADULT EDUCATION programs.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the District will vote to authorize the School Board to accept and expend funds from grants awarded and received from federal, state, and other sources during the 2025-2026 fiscal year, such expenditures, if any, to be in addition to the total of expenditures authorized under Articles 14, 15 and 16.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the District will authorize the School Board to transfer an excess of 5% between cost centers, not to exceed the total spending allocation for the 2025-2026 school year, to balance accounts.

Reasons: Under Maine Law only the voters can give authority for the Board to transfer in excess of 5% between cost centers. By granting this authority now, it would eliminate the calling of a special town meeting, if necessary, to balance accounts.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the District will authorize the School Board to expend \$100,000.00 from the Maintenance Reserve Fund to be used for maintenance projects prioritized by the CSD Maintenance Committee to improve daily operations of the school buildings?

Article 20. To see if the District will authorize the School Board to expend not more than \$200,000.00 from the unassigned fund balance to pay for unanticipated additional expenses in the areas of Regular Instruction, Special Education, System Administration and Transportation during the 2024-2025 school year. To be distributed as follows:

Regular Instruction:

\$20,000.00

Special Education:

\$35,000.00

System Administration:

\$50,000.00

Transportation:

\$95,000.00

\$200,000.00

Given under our hands this 12th day of May, 2025.

A Majority of the School Board and Board of Trustees of Deer Jslę-Stonington Community School District 13

Chelsea Torrey, Co-Chair

Genevieve McDonald, Co-Chair

Jessica Lynne Witham, Treasurer

James Darrell Williams, Vice Chair

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A true copy attest:

Rhonda J. Eaton

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