

**SOUTHWEST VERMONT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
WARNING OF ANNUAL MEETING
MARCH 3 AND MARCH 4, 2025**

The legal voters of Southwest Vermont Union Elementary School District are hereby warned to meet at the Southwest Vermont Supervisory Union Administrative Office, 184 North Street - Suite 1, Bennington, Vermont, or remotely via the Zoom computer application/program utilizing meeting ID: 826 1363 4695 with Passcode: 478758 (a direct link is available on the SVSU website www.svsu.org which also lists numbers to access by phone) on **Monday, March 3, 2025, at 6:15 o'clock in the evening (6:15PM)** to transact the following business from the floor:

ARTICLE I: To accept the reports of the District's officers for the preceding year as reported in the Annual Report.

ARTICLE II: To establish the annual salaries of the District officers as follow:

- a) Moderator: \$ 100.00
- b) District Clerk: \$ 1,500.00
- c) School Directors: \$ 2,000.00 each
- d) Treasurer: \$28,503.00

ARTICLE III: To authorize the School Board to borrow money in anticipation of tax revenues to meet current operating expenses of the District for the 2025-26 school year.

ARTICLE IV: To authorize the School Board to transfer and expend funds from the established and audited capital reserve fund for capital expenses.

ARTICLE V: To hold a public informational hearing on articles to be voted upon by Australian ballot on March 3, 2025.

ARTICLE VI: To transact any other business found proper when met.

The legal voters of Southwest Vermont Union Elementary School District are hereby **WARNED FURTHER** to meet on Tuesday March 4, 2025, when the polls will be open to transact business by Australian ballot as follows:

ARTICLE A: To elect from the legal voters of the District One (1) Moderator for a two (2) year unexpired term beginning July 1, 2025

ARTICLE B: To elect School Directors as indicated for such terms to begin immediately. The School Board members to be elected are as follows:

- One (1) who is a resident and legal voter of the Town of Pownal (3-year term)**
- One (1) who is a resident and legal voter of the Town of Pownal (1-year unexpired term)**
- One (1) who is a resident and legal voter of the Town of Shaftsbury (3-year term)**
- One (1) who is a resident and legal voter of the Town of Shaftsbury (2-year unexpired term)**
- One (1) who is a resident and legal voter of the Town of Woodford (2-year unexpired term)**

ARTICLE C: Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend \$33,128,598, 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 per pupil education spending of \$12,419, which is 13.97% higher than per pupil education spending for the current year.

DATED at Bennington, Vermont this 14th day of January, 2025.

Voting at the meeting on Tuesday, March 4, 2025, shall be at large by Australian ballot. The polls will be open as indicated below for each respective town; there will be separate polling places in each of the member districts of which the voter is a resident as follows:

Residents who are legal voters from the Town of Bennington vote at the Bennington Firehouse - River Street, Bennington, Vermont. Polls will be open from 7:00AM to 7:00PM.

Residents who are legal voters from the Town of Pownal vote at the Pownal Town Office - 511 Center Street, Pownal, Vermont. Polls will be open from 10:00AM to 7:00PM.

Residents who are legal voters from the Town of Shaftsbury vote at the Town Garage - 526 North Road, Shaftsbury, Vermont. Polls will be open from 7:00AM to 7:00PM.

Residents who are legal voters from the Town of Woodford vote at the Woodford Town Hall - Route 9, Woodford, Vermont. Polls will be open from 7:00AM to 7:00PM.

Register to Vote! Residents of the District may register to vote at their Town Clerk's Office or online at www.olvr.sec.state.vt.us. Eligible residents registering on Election Day must do so at the polling place where they will cast their Town Meeting ballot.

Interpreting services for this meeting will be provided upon request. If this service is required, please notify the SVSU at 447-7501 at least three (3) days prior to the meeting.

Signatures

Christopher Murphy, Chair

Sandra Foster, Vice Chair

Sandra Foster

Jeffrey Leake, Clerk

Cynthia Brownell

Cynthia Brownell

Christelle Nicol

Christelle Nicol

Stephanie Senecal

Glenn Thurber

Glenn Thurber

Ricardo Wilson

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Received for recording this 17 day of January, 2025.

Cassandra J. Barbeau

Cassandra J. Barbeau, Clerk

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