

Townshend School District Annual Meeting Minutes  
March 3, 2015

**The legal voters of the Town of Townshend, in the County of Windham and the State of Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at 1:00 P.M. in the Town Hall in said Town of Townshend on the first Tuesday, March 3rd, 2015, to transact the following business and act upon the following articles: viz:**

**Meeting was called to order at 1:05 P.M.**

**ARTICLE 1.** To elect a Moderator for a term of one year.

Craig Hunt nominated David Liebow as Moderator for a one year term. There being no further nominations, April Chase made a motion to close nominations and the Clerk be instructed to cast one ballot for David Liebow as School District Moderator. Motion carried by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 2.** To accept the reports of the School Directors as presented in the July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014 Treasurer's Report.

So Moved by Craig Hunt; seconded by Eugene Kuch.

Motion to Amend to strike the word "Treasurer's" from the Article and inset "Annual" was made by April Chase and seconded.

Motion to Amend Article 2 passed by voice vote.

Main Motion "To accept the reports of the School Directors as presented in the July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014 Annual Report."

**Article 2, as amended, passed by voice vote.**

**ARTICLE 3.** To elect School Directors for the following terms:

**One (1) - three year term - until March 2018** Nominated: Alfred Claussen

There being no further nominations, the Moderator declared nominations closed and instructed the Clerk to cast one ballot for Alfred Claussen for a three year term as School Director; seconded and carried by voice vote.

**One (1) - one year term - until March 2016** Nominated: Brud Sanderson

There being no further nominations, the Moderator declared nominations closed and instructed the Clerk to cast one ballot for Brud Sanderson for a one year term as School Director; seconded and carried by voice vote.

**One (1) - one year term - until March 2016** Nominated: Deidre Beattie  
Kristina Wright  
Elizabeth Cutts, respectively declined

**Total Votes - 69** **Deidre Beattie - 48** **Kristina - 20** **Spoiled - 1**

Deidre Beattie elected for a one year term as School Director.

**Leland & Gray UHS/MS – One (1) – three year term – until March 2018**

Nominated: Mike Dolan Allison Dercoli

**Total votes – 63** **Michael Dolan - 29** **Allison Dercoli - 34**

Allison Dercoli elected for a three year term as Leland & Gray School Director.

**ARTICLE 4.** To elect a School District Treasurer for a term of one year.

**One (1) - one year term - until March 2016** Nominated: Anita Bean

There being no further nominations, the Moderator declared nominations closed and instructed the Clerk to cast one ballot for Anita Bean for a one year term as School District Treasurer; seconded and carried by voice vote.

<b>ARTICLE 5.</b>	To see what salaries the Townshend School District will approve for Town School District Officers.	Treasurer	\$1,790.00
		School Directors(1) Chair	\$ 500.00
		(4) Members \$250 ea.	\$ 1,000.00

So moved by Carole Melis and seconded. No discussion, motion carries by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Townshend School District will approve \$1,487,233 for the running expenses and liabilities of the School.

So moved by Carole Melis and seconded.

Brief Discussion. Questioned the increase (there is a 5% increase from year to year);  
How much is state aid how much is through taxes;  
Mr. Claussen gave a brief overview;  
Discussion continued regarding Pre-K, number of teachers, etc...

No further Discussion - Request for Paper Ballot

**Total Votes - 91**      **Yes - 63**      **No - 27**      **Blank - 1**

Article 6 passed.

**ARTICLE 7.** Shall the voters of the Townshend School District authorize the School Directors to borrow money in anticipation of revenue?

So moved by April Chase and seconded.

There being no discussion Article 7 passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 8.** Shall the voters of the Townshend School District authorize the School Directors to spend “unanticipated” funds such as grants or gifts that may be received by the District for school purposes?

So Moved by April Chase and seconded

There being no discussion Article 8 passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 9.** To set the date and time of the Annual Meeting of the Townshend School District for the First Tuesday of March in the year of 201 at 9:05 A.M.

So moved by April Chase and seconded.

Discussion: Questioned why school is going first.

There being no further discussion Article 9 passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 10.** To transact any other non-binding business to properly come before this meeting.

Request that School Audit be made available when completed.

Motion to Adjourn at 1:52 P.M. made by Eugen Kuch; seconded and carried by voice vote.

**Respectfully submitted,**

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Anita Bean, Town Clerk

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Alfred Claussen, III - School District Chair

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Joseph Daigneault - Justice of the Peace