

**RSU/SAD #37**  
**DISTRICT BUDGET MEETING**  
**June 16, 2020**

**For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021**

Ronald Ramsay, Superintendent of Schools for RSU/SAD #37, called the District Budget Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Approximately 45 citizens were in attendance.

**ARTICLE 1A: To elect a moderator to preside at the meeting.** The floor was opened for nominations for moderator of the meeting. Gary Willey was nominated; no other nominations were made. Votes were cast for Gary Willey, and he was elected as moderator of the meeting.

Dawn Fickett, Notary Public, administered the oath of office to Mr. Willey; Mr. Willey then administered the oath of office to the ten ballot clerks (two from each member town). Mr. Willey took over the meeting.

**ARTICLE 1: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction.**  
**School Board Recommends \$3,443,606.00**

It was moved, seconded, and voted overwhelmingly by a majority of those present to approve Article 1 as printed. Article 1 passes as recommended.

**ARTICLE 2: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Special Education.**  
**School Board Recommends \$1,829,826.00**

It was moved, seconded, and voted overwhelmingly by a majority of those present to approve Article 2 as printed. Article 2 passes as recommended.

**ARTICLE 3: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education.**

**School Board Recommends \$522,058.00**

It was moved, seconded, and voted overwhelmingly by a majority of those present to approve Article 3 as printed. Article 3 passes as recommended.

**ARTICLE 4: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction.**  
**School Board Recommends \$228,945.00**

It was moved, seconded, and voted overwhelmingly by a majority of those present to approve Article 4 as printed. Article 4 passes as recommended.

**ARTICLE 5: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support.**  
**School Board Recommends \$754,925.00**

It was moved, seconded, and voted overwhelmingly by a majority of those present to approve Article 5 as printed. Article 5 passes as recommended.

**ARTICLE 6: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for System Administration.**  
**School Board Recommends \$399,450.00**

It was moved, seconded, and voted overwhelmingly by a majority of those present to approve Article 6 as printed. Article 6 passes as recommended.

**ARTICLE 7: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for School Administration.**  
**School Board Recommends \$638,525.00**

It was moved, seconded, and voted overwhelmingly by a majority of those present to approve Article 7 as printed. Article 7 passes as recommended.

**ARTICLE 8: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses.  
School Board Recommends \$673,860.00**

It was moved, seconded, and voted overwhelmingly by a majority of those present to approve Article 8 as printed. Article 8 passes as recommended.

**ARTICLE 9: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance.  
School Board Recommends \$1,021,505.00**

It was moved, seconded, and voted overwhelmingly by a majority of those present to approve Article 9 as printed. Article 9 passes as recommended.

**ARTICLE 10: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Debt Service and Other Commitments.  
School Board Recommends \$0.00**

It was moved, seconded, and voted overwhelmingly by a majority of those present to approve Article 10 as printed. Article 10 passes as recommended.

**ARTICLE 11: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures.  
School Board Recommends \$60,000.00**

It was moved, seconded, and voted overwhelmingly by a majority of those present to approve Article 11 as printed. Article 11 passes as recommended.

**ARTICLE 12: To see what sum the District will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and to see what sum the District will raise and assess as each municipality's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 16688. Recommended amounts set forth below:**

<b>Total Appropriated (by municipality):</b>	<b>Total raised (and District assessments by municipality):</b>
Town of Addison: \$1,432,029.47	Town of Addison: \$1,148,472.00
Town of Columbia: \$838,449.40	Town of Columbia: \$451,127.00
Town of Columbia Falls: \$632,871.43	Town of Columbia Falls: \$287,118.00
Town of Harrington: \$1,682,511.84	Town of Harrington: \$939,473.00
Town of Milbridge: \$2,430,450.79	Town of Milbridge: \$1,376,694.00
School District Total	School District
Appropriated	Total Raised:
(Sum of above) \$7,016,312.93	(Sum of above) \$4,202,884.00

It was moved, seconded, and voted unanimously to dispense with the reading of Article 12. It was moved, seconded, and voted overwhelmingly by a majority of those present to approve Article 12 as printed. Article 12 passes as recommended.

**ARTICLE 13: (Written ballot required). To see what sum the District will raise and appropriate in additional local funds (Recommend \$1,076,387.07), which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by \$1,076,387.07 as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Board.**

It was moved, seconded, and voted unanimously to dispense with the reading of Article 13. It was moved, seconded to approve Article 13 as printed. Written votes were cast by citizens from each member town with results as follows. Article 13 passes as recommended.

<b>Town:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Addison	17	0
Columbia	6	0
Columbia Falls	7	0
Harrington	7	0
Milbridge	7	1
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>1</b>

**ARTICLE 14: To see what sum the District will authorize the School Board to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021 from the District's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 16690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools. School Board Recommends \$9,572,700.00**

It was moved, seconded, and voted overwhelmingly by a majority of those present to approve Article 14 as printed. Article 14 passes as recommended.

**ARTICLE 15: In addition to amounts approved in the preceding articles, shall the School Board be authorized to expend such other sums as may be received from federal or state grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year for school purposes, provided that such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?**

It was moved, seconded, and voted overwhelmingly by a majority of those present to approve Article 15 as printed. Article 15 passes as recommended.

**ARTICLE 16: To see if Maine School Administrative District No. 37 will appropriate \$45,000.00 for adult education and raise \$20,000.00 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.**

It was moved, seconded, and voted overwhelmingly by a majority of those present to approve Article 16 as printed. Article 16 passes as recommended.

**ARTICLE 17: Shall the Board of Directors of Maine School Administrative District No. 37 be authorized to transfer and expend \$100,000 from Unassigned Fund Balance to a District Capital Reserve Fund to fund minor renovation projects to the district schools? School Board Recommends "yes."**


It was moved, seconded, and voted overwhelmingly by a majority of those present to approve Article 17 as printed. Article 17 passes as recommended.

**ARTICLE 18: Shall the Board of Directors of Maine School Administrative District No. 37 be authorized to establish and expend from a capital reserve fund for CTE expansion and transfer \$200,000 from Unassigned Fund Balance? School Board Recommends "yes."**

It was moved, seconded, and voted overwhelmingly by a majority of those present to approve Article 18 as printed. Article 18 passes as recommended.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Ronald C. Ramsay  
Superintendent of Schools