

MOUNT ANTHONY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 14

**NOTICE TO VOTERS WITH RESPECT TO CHECKLIST
AND ABSENTEE VOTING FOR ANNUAL MEETING
MARCH 4 AND MARCH 5, 2024**

The checklist for the March 4 and March 5, 2024 Annual Meeting of Mount Anthony Union School District No. 14, is the most recently prepared, posted and revised in accordance with Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

The checklist for the March 4 and March 5, 2024 Annual Meeting has been posted as follows:

Town Clerk's Office
205 South Street
Bennington, Vermont 05201

Bennington Public Library
Silver St.
Bennington, Vermont 05201

In addition to the locations specified above, pursuant to Title 16 V.S.A. 706p(a), current checklists and warnings will also be posted in at least one public place in each member school district of the union school district.

ABSENTEE VOTING: Voting by absentee ballot is permitted with respect to the Annual Meeting of Mount Anthony Union School District No. 14, to be held on Tuesday, March 5, 2024.

Absentee voting shall be in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 51, Title 17 of Vermont Statutes Annotated Section 2531 entitled "Application for Absentee Voter ballot."

Application shall be made to the Clerk of the Mount Anthony Union School District No. 14, at the Clerk's regular business office during the Clerk's regular business hours, unless otherwise specified by the Clerk.

A voter who expects to be an early or absentee voter, or an authorized person on behalf of such voter, may apply for an early voter absentee ballot until 5:00 P.M or the closing of the Town Clerk's office on the day preceding the election.

**MOUNT ANTHONY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 14
WARNING OF ANNUAL MEETING
MARCH 4 AND MARCH 5, 2024**

The legal voters of Mount Anthony Union School District No. 14 (consisting of Southwest Vermont Union Elementary School District (SVUESD) and North Bennington Graded School District (NBGSD)) 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: 868 9428 1920 with Passcode: 152317 (a direct link is available on the SVSU website www.svsu.org which also lists numbers to access by phone) on **Monday, March 4, 2024, 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- \$28,480.00

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

The legal voters of Mount Anthony Union School District No.14 are hereby **FURTHER WARNED** to meet at their respective polling places on Tuesday March 5, 2024, to transact business by Australian ballot as follows:

ARTICLE A: 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 legal voter of the NBGSD, Inc. residing in North Bennington or Shaftsbury District 1 (2-year unexpired term)**
- **One (1) who is a legal voter of the SVUESD residing in the Town of Bennington (3-year term)**
- **One (1) who is a legal voter of the SVUESD residing in the Town of Bennington (2-year unexpired term)**
- **One (1) who is a legal voter the SVUESD residing in the Town of Pownal (3-year term)**
- **One (1) who is a legal voter the SVUESD residing in the Town of Pownal (1-year unexpired term)**
- **One (1) who is a legal voter the SVUESD residing in the Town of Shaftsbury (3-year term)**
- **One (1) who a legal voter the SVUESD residing in the Town of Woodford (3-year term)**

ARTICLE B: Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend \$30,369,992 which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year?

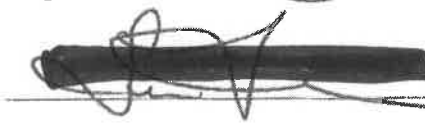
Interpreting services for this meeting will be provided upon request. If this service is required, please notify the SVSU at 447-7501 at least three (3) days prior to the meeting.

DATED at Bennington, Vermont this 31st day of January, 2024.

Stephanie Mulligan, Chair



Susan Plaisance, Vice Chair



Scott McEnaney, Clerk



Katie Aiken



David Fredrickson



Leon Johnson



Chaila Sekora



Glenn Thurber



Received for recording this 1st day of February 2024.


Cassandra J. Barbeau, Clerk

Mount Anthony Union High School District No. 14

ARTICLE C: The Board of Directors proposes to incur bonded indebtedness to finance construction of certain capital improvements to the Spinelli Complex at Mount Anthony Union High School, including installation of a new track, lights, and synthetic turf field, together with other costs and expenses of the project ("Project") in an amount not to exceed Three Million and 00/100 Dollars (\$3,000,000.00). None of the project is expected to be eligible for state school construction aid and therefore all of the costs of the project, i.e., \$3,000,000, will be the responsibility of the Mount Anthony Union High School District.

Shall bonds of the school district in a principal amount not to exceed Three Million and 00/100 (\$3,000,000.00), subject to reduction from available State or federal funds, if any, be issued to finance construction of capital improvements to the Spinelli Complex (i.e. installation of new track, lights, and synthetic turf field) at Mount Anthony Union High School?

State funds may not be available at the time this project is otherwise eligible to receive State school construction aid. The District is responsible for all costs incurred in connection with any borrowing done in anticipation of State school construction aid.

Voting at the meeting on Tuesday, March 5, 2024, 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:

Legal voters of the NBGSD residing in North Bennington or in Shaftsbury District 1 vote at North Bennington Village Office, North Bennington, Vermont. Polls will be open from 7:00AM to 7:00PM.

Legal voters of the SVUESD residing in the Town of Bennington vote at the Bennington Firehouse - River Street, Bennington, Vermont. Polls will be open from 7:00AM to 7:00PM.

Legal voters of the SVUESD residing in 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.

Legal voters of the SVUESD residing in the Town of Shaftsbury vote at the Town Garage - North Road, Shaftsbury, Vermont. Polls will be open from 7:00AM to 7:00PM.

Legal voters of the SVUESD residing in the Town of Woodford vote at the Woodford Town Building - Route 9, Woodford, Vermont. Polls will be open from 7:00AM to 7:00PM.

The lawful voters of the Mount Anthony Union High School District No. 14 are hereby further notified and warned that a public informational meeting on Article C above will be held on Tuesday, February 27th, 2024 at the MAUHS Auditorium – 301 Park Street in Bennington, VT (or remotely via the Zoom computer application/program utilizing meeting ID: 874 8613 6577 with Passcode: 874676) beginning at five thirty o'clock in the evening (5:30 PM) to discuss the Article and the Project.

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.

OFFICIAL BALLOT

Mount Anthony Union High School District No. 14

ARTICLE C

The Board of Directors proposes to incur bonded indebtedness to finance construction of certain capital improvements to the Spinelli Complex at Mount Anthony Union High School, including installation of a new track, lights, and synthetic turf field, together with other costs and expenses of the project ("Project") in an amount not to exceed Three Million and 00/100 Dollars (\$3,000,000.00). None of the project is expected to be eligible for state school construction aid and therefore all of the costs of the project, i.e., \$3,000,000, will be the responsibility of the Mount Anthony Union High School District.

Shall bonds of the school district in a principal amount not to exceed Three Million and 00/100 Dollars (\$3,000,000.00), subject to reduction from available State or federal funds, if any, be issued to finance construction of capital improvements to the Spinelli Complex (i.e. installation of new track, lights, and synthetic turf field) at Mount Anthony Union High School?

State funds may not be available at the time this project is otherwise eligible to receive State school construction aid. The District is responsible for all costs incurred in connection with any borrowing done in anticipation of State school construction aid.

YES.....

NO.....