

WARNING
for the
SPECIAL MEETING
of the
LAMOILLE SOUTH UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

FEBRUARY 26, 2019

The legal voters of the Lamoille South Unified Union School District, consisting of the towns of Elmore, Morristown and Stowe, are hereby notified and warned to meet in the respective polling places hereinafter named for each of the above-referenced towns on Tuesday, February 26, 2019, at 8:00 A.M., at which time the polls will open, until 7:00 P.M., at which time the polls will close, to transact any business involving voting by Australian ballot.

Note: Articles 1-4 are proposed amendments to the Articles of Agreement for the Lamoille South Unified Union School District. The format of the proposed amendments is as follows: wording in regular text is current language to be retained; wording with ~~striketrough~~ is current language to be deleted; and wording in **underline** is proposed new language for the article.

ARTICLE 1: Shall the voters approve the following amendment to the Lamoille South Unified Union School District Articles of Agreement:

Article 3 - Attendance; Restructuring of Grade Configurations in Academic Years 2019-2020 and through 2020-2021 **2022-2023**.

A. Attendance in Academic Years 2019-2020 and through 2020-2021 **2022-2023**. In academic years 2019-2020 and through 2020-2021 **2022-2023**, each student in the grades for which the New Union District operates multiple school buildings will attend the school that a student residing in that town would have attended in academic year 2018-2019; provided however, that the New Union District Board may grant a parent's or guardian's request for student enrollment in a different school operated by the New Union District based on individual student circumstances and the Superintendent's determination of the school's capacity to serve the child.

ARTICLE 2: Shall the voters approve the following amendment to the Lamoille South Unified Union School District Articles of Agreement:

Article 4 - Closure of School Buildings.

A. Academic Years 2019-2020 and through 2020-2021 **2022-2023**. In academic years 2019-2020 and through 2020-2021 **2022-2023**, the New Union District shall not close any school building conveyed to the New Union District by a Forming District or cease using the building to provide direct education in at least one grade, prekindergarten through grade 12, unless first approved by the voters residing in the town(s) in which the school is located.

Provided, however, that if the school building was conveyed by a Forming District that was already a union school district, then the New Union District shall not close the school building or cease using the building to provide direct education in at least one grade in academic years 2019-2020 and through 2020-2021 **2022-2023** unless first approved by the electorate of the New Union District.

ARTICLE 3: If Article 2 regarding closure of school buildings through academic years 2022-2023 is approved by the electorate of each town, shall the voters approve the following amendment to the Lamoille South Unified Union School District Articles of Agreement:

Article 4 – Closure of School Buildings.

B. Academic Years ~~2021-2022~~ **2023-2024** and After. In academic year ~~2021-2022~~ **2023-2024** and after, the New Union District shall not close any school building or cease using the building to provide direct education in at least one grade, prekindergarten through grade 12, unless first approved by the electorate of the New Union District.

ARTICLE 4: Shall the voters approve the following amendment to the Lamoille South Unified Union School District Articles of Agreement:

Article 10 - New Union District Board of School Directors – Initial Members.

A. Initial Representation on New Union District Board. The members of the New Union District Board shall be composed of a total of ~~Six (6)~~ **Seven (7)** individuals elected pursuant to the “Hybrid Model” of board representation, which the United States District Court for the District of Vermont has endorsed as meeting constitutional requirements of proportionality.

~~Two~~ **Three (3)** seats on the Board are allocated to ~~each town identified in Article 1,~~ **the town of Morristown, Three (3) seats on the Board are allocated to the town of Stowe and One (1) seat on the Board is allocated to the town of Elmore,** with individuals elected to fill those seats by a vote of the electorate of the entire New Union District.

B. Length of Term of Initial Board Members. The terms of office for the initial Members of the New Union District Board elected at the meeting warned for that purpose by the Transitional Board pursuant to Article 9(D)(ii)(a), are as follows:

<u>Town</u>	<u>Term Ending Spring 2020</u>	<u>Term Ending Spring 2021</u>	<u>Term Ending Spring 2022</u>
Elmore	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Morristown	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Stowe	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

The legal voters of the Lamoille South Unified Union School District are further notified that voter qualification, registration, and absentee voting relative to said annual meeting shall be provided in Chapters 43, 51, and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

Informational Hearing

Said persons and voters are further notified and warned that the meetings on February 18, 2019, at 6:00 P.M. at Stowe Elementary School in Stowe, Vermont, and February 19, 2019, at 5:00 P.M. at Morrystown Elementary School in Morrystown, Vermont, will also serve as informational hearings to discuss Articles 1, 2, 3, and 4 which will be voted on by Australian ballot on February 26, 2019.

Polling Places and Times

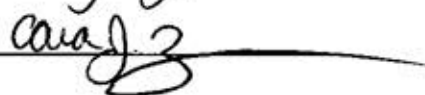
Elmore: Elmore Town Office, 1175 VT Route 12 – 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.
Morrystown: Morrystown Municipal Building, 43 Portland Street – 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.
Stowe: Stowe Town Office, 67 Main Street – 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

Dated at Morrystown this 16th day of January, 2019.

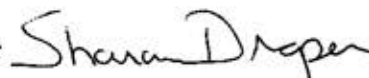
Stephanie Craig 

Tiffany Donza 

Penny Jones 

Cara Zimmerman 

**Lamoille South Unified Union School District Transitional Board Directors
Towns of Elmore, Morrystown and Stowe, Vermont**

Attest: Sharon Draper 
Town Clerk
of Elmore, Vermont

Attest: Lisa Walker
Town Clerk
of Stowe, Vermont

Attest: Sara Haskins
Town Clerk
of Morrystown, Vermont

Received, filed and recorded this 17th day of January, 2019.