

Town of Sedgwick
Warrant for Special Town Meeting
May 15, 2008

Hancock, ss

State of Maine

To Cynthia Reilly, a resident of the Town of Sedgwick, in said County:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Sedgwick, in said County, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Sedgwick Town House, in said Town, on Thursday, the 15th day of May 2008 A.D., at 6:00 p.m., then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLES:

1. To choose a Moderator to preside over said meeting.
2. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the town, to accept and spend grants and donations for the purpose of improving the entryway and landscape at the Town Office, such account to be a continuing account.
3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$31,724.99 from undesignated surplus to cover the overdraft in the Snow Removal account during fiscal year 2007-2008.
4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to enter into agreements with other Towns or Schools for the 2008-2009 school year for the tuition of secondary students up to the legal limit established by the Maine Revised Statutes for the education of its secondary students.
5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to enter into agreements, to the best advantage of the Town, with other towns, companies and /or individuals for the 2008-2009 school year for transporting elementary and secondary students.
6. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for K-12 Regular Instruction. School Committee Recommends: \$872,176
This article includes elementary and secondary education accounts.
Prior year \$1,011,923

7. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for Special Education. School Committee Recommends: \$254,599
This article includes special education instruction, special education administration and gifted/talented accounts. Prior year \$261,382
8. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for Other Instruction. School Committee Recommends: \$17,479
This article includes co-curricular and extra-curricular accounts. Prior year \$19,366
9. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for Student and Staff Support. School Committee Recommends: \$69,903
This article includes guidance, health services, instructional technology, curriculum development, staff training, and library accounts. Prior year \$63,071
10. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for System Administration. School Committee Recommends: \$76,632
This article includes superintendent's office and school committee accounts. Prior year \$86,687
11. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for School Administration. School Committee Recommends: \$87,427
This article includes the principal's office account. Prior year \$82,276
12. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for Transportation and Buses. School Committee Recommends: \$103,966
This article includes school bus contract and bus fuel accounts. Prior year \$108,757
13. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for Facilities Maintenance. School Committee Recommends: \$178,477
This article includes building maintenance and operation accounts. Prior year \$142,413
14. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for All Other Expenditures Including School Lunch.
School Committee Recommends: \$33,390
This article includes the school lunch and contingency accounts. Prior year \$55,535
15. To see what sum the Town will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act. (School Committee Recommends: \$1,331,145) and to see what sum the town will raise as the town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to

grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes Title 20-A, § 15688.

School Committee Recommends: \$1,213,688

Prior year \$1,114,841

Explanation: The Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act is the amount of money determined by state law to be the minimum amount (\$1,213,688) that the town must raise in order to receive the full amount (\$117,457) of state dollars.

16. (Written Ballot Required) To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate in additional local funds as required to fund the budget recommended by the school committee.

School Committee Recommends \$258,014 which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by \$258,014.

Prior year \$181,533

The School Committee gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model.

Reasons: The additional local fund request exceeds the EPS funding model because the school spends more per pupil on regular education, special education, transportation, student and staff support, administration and facilities maintenance than the EPS formula recognizes. The state's EPS funding model isn't an equitable way to judge the budget for a small school.

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the town's local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act that will help achieve the school's budget for educational programs.

17. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008 and ending June 30, 2009 from the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20 A, §15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, local appropriations, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools. School Committee Recommends: \$1,694,049

Prior year \$1,831,410

18. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for food service.

School Committee Recommends: \$33,390

Prior year \$45,535

19. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for the interest bearing building maintenance reserve account.

School Committee Recommends: \$2,500

Prior year \$2,500

- 20 Shall the Town vote to accept the categories of funds estimated below as provided by the Maine State Legislature?

<u>Category</u>	<u>Anticipated Amount</u>
N.C.L.B. Funds	\$ 58,834
State General Purpose Subsidy	\$117,457
School Lunch Reimbursement	\$ 32,934
Special Educ. Local Entitlement	\$ 41,062
Medicaid Reimbursement	\$ 0

21. To see if the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend grant moneys in addition to expenditures approved in the regular school budget.

Given under our hands this 1st day of May, 2008, at Sedgwick, Maine.

/s/
Nelson Grindal

/s/
William Jagger

/s/
Thomas O'Connor
Selectmen