

RAYMOND SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION

SECOND SESSION

March 11, 2008

The Raymond School District Election, Second Session, was held in the Iber Holmes Gove Middle School gymnasium. The moderator for the election was the town moderator, Kathleen Hoelzel. The assistant moderator was Timothy Louis.

The ballots for this election were pre-counted on Tuesday, March 11th before the polls opened.

The ballot boxes were tested on Wednesday, March 5th, by the town clerk and the school district clerk.

Before the election, the ballot boxes were opened and declared empty by the moderator.

BALLOT CLERKS:

Francis Clevette
Martin Devine
Polly Immonen

Maryanne Paige
Bette Patterson
Russell Pomerleau

The ballot clerks were sworn in.

The moderator read the portion of the warrant notifying residents of the voting place and the hours the polls would be open. The moderator read the rules governing the election.

The moderator announced that the absentee ballots would be opened at 1:00 pm.

The moderator led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The moderator declared the polls open at 7:00 a.m.

The ballot boxes were opened and emptied at 12:35 pm.

Absentee ballots were processed at 1:05 p.m. There were twenty-nine absentee ballots.

The ballot boxes were opened and emptied at 3:10 pm

The moderator declared the polls closed at 7:00 p.m.

The moderator stated that all those waiting in line at 7:00 pm would be allowed to vote.

Regular ballots cast:	1,352
Absentee ballots cast:	29

Total number ballots cast:	1,381
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Results of the ElectionSchool Board for three (3) years Vote for one (1)

Julie Hazell-Felch	332 votes
* Gretchen Gott	485 votes
Diane Janusz	268 votes

Write-in for three years

There were 8 persons receiving one vote each.

ARTICLE 2 Shall the School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$21,964,383. (twenty-one million, nine hundred sixty-four thousand, three hundred eighty-three dollars)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$22,042,584. (twenty-two million, forty-two thousand, five hundred eighty-four dollars), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Raymond School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

(Not Recommended by the School Board) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)
(This article does not include appropriations proposed under any other warrant article.)

* **YES: 858** **NO: 453**

ARTICLE 3 Shall the School District vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Raymond School Board and the Raymond Educational Support Staff, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>
2008-2009	\$62,976.

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$62,976. (sixty-two thousand, nine hundred seventy-six dollars) for the 2008-2009 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those appropriations at the current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year?
 (Recommended by the School Board) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

* **YES: 864** **NO: 473**

ARTICLE 4 Shall the School District, if article 3 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address article 3 cost items only?
(Recommended by the School Board)

*** YES: 736 NO: 573**

ARTICLE 5 Shall the School District vote to discontinue the following existing capital reserve funds: School Capital Reserve Fund and School District Planning Capital Reserve Fund? Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the School District’s general fund (surplus) and further to raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$54,445. (fifty-four thousand, four hundred forty-five dollars) (which is the total amount of funds in these discontinued capital reserve funds) to be placed in the already established Raymond School District Equipment, Facilities Maintenance and Replacement Capital Reserve Fund, established in 2006, and authorize the use of that amount from the June 30th unreserved fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1st of this year?

(Recommended by the School Board) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Note: This article requests voters’ action to: (1) Close the existing capital reserve funds named and transfer monies to the general fund; and (2) raise and appropriate the total amount of these funds from the general fund and transfer to fund named. (No tax impact.)

*** YES: 1,016 NO: 302**

ARTICLE 6 Shall the School District vote to raise and appropriate the following sums (\$221,997.) to be placed in the following previously established Capital Reserve Funds to implement the School District’s 2008-2009 Capital Improvement Program?

Raymond School District Equipment, Facilities Maintenance
and Replacement Capital Reserve Fund.....\$132,873.

Raymond School District Food Service Equipment Capital
Reserve Fund.....\$ 11,749.

Technology Capital Reserve Fund.....\$ 47,375.

Textbook Capital Reserve Fund.....\$ 30,000.

\$221,997.

(Recommended by the School Board) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

*** YES: 905 NO: 407**

ARTICLE 7 Citizens' Petition: Shall the town vote that the School Board and the respective moderator hold all future deliberative sessions on the school district warrant at the Raymond High School cafeteria or gymnasium unless that structure is not available due to renovations or is damaged and not usable?

*** YES: 891 NO: 400**

ARTICLE 8 Citizens' Petition: By petition of over 25 registered voters of the Town of Raymond, New Hampshire, shall the School District raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000. (forty thousand dollars) to establish a football program at Raymond High School in the 2008/2009 school year and further to include the football program in future operating and default budgets? The football program would be established using NHIAA rules and follow the Raymond School District co-curricular policies. (Recommended by the School Board) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

*** YES: 694 NO: 640**

Motion: By Faye Hammond, duly seconded by Buster Hammond to adjourn the School District Election, Second Session.

Voted by those present, Aye or Nay. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE to adjourn.

The moderator declared the Raymond School District Election, Second Session, adjourned at 8:21 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Hoelzel
School District Clerk

A true copy of the minutes of the Raymond School District Election, Second Session, of March 11, 2008.

Attest:

Linda Hoelzel
School District Clerk