

**Warrant for Regional School Unit Sixteen (16) Budget Validation Referendum (20-A M.R.S.A. §1486)**

To: Stacie Field, a resident of the RSU 16 in the County of Androscoggin in the State of Maine.

**Greetings:** In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of [redacted] not qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at the **Minot Town Hall** on Tuesday, the 10<sup>th</sup> day of June 2025 A.D. beginning at 8:00 a.m. in the morning to act on Articles 1, 2 and 3 of this warrant to wit:

You are hereby notified that Articles 2 and 3 will be determined on a printed ballot by referendum vote in conformity with sections 2528 to 2532 of Title 30-A of the Maine Revised Statutes, as amended, which is the Australian secret ballot law, so called.

The polls will be open between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

The Registrar of Voters, Sara Farris, gives notice that the registrar's office will be in session from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 10, 2025 to register new voters and to correct the current list of voters.


**Article 1:** To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

**Article 2:** "Do you favor approving the Regional School Unit Sixteen (16) budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the latest regional school unit budget meeting? (Yes/No)"

**Article 3:** "Do you wish to continue the budget validation referendum process in Regional School Unit Sixteen (16) for an additional three years? (Yes/No)"

Given under our hands this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April 2025:


  
Mary Martin, Chair

  
Christina DeSantis

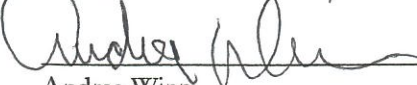
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Randy Lautz

Joe Parent

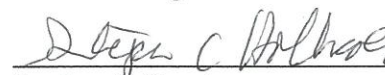
  
Sarah Robinson


Angela Swenson

  
Andrea Winn

  
Patrick Irish, Vice Chair


  
Mike Downing

  
Stephen Holbrook

  
Elizabeth Martin

  
Emily Rinchich


  
Jessica Smith

  
Steve Turner

A majority of the Board of Directors, Regional School Unit Sixteen (16)

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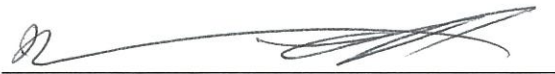
Countersigned: 4/28/2025

  
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Lisa Cesare, Chair

  
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Matthew Callahan

  
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Daniel Gilpatrick, Vice Chair

  
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Brittany Hemond

  
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Dean Campbell

A majority of the Municipal Minot, Maine

ATTEST: A True Copy



  
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Sara A. Farris, Town Clerk

RETURN

Pursuant to the within notice, I have notified and warned the voters of the Town of Minot, Maine to meet at the time and place for the purposes therein named, by posting this day an attested copy of the within warrant, at the Post Offices in Minot, and at the Town Office, the same being conspicuous and public places in said Town.

  
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Stacie Field  
Resident of the RSU 16

5/8/2025  
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Date

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Regional School Unit 16 Budget Validation Referendum

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

Town of Minot

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Mary Martin – RSU 16 School Board Chair

Article 2.

Do you favor approving the Regional School Unit Sixteen (16) budget for the upcoming 2025-2026 school year that was adopted at the latest Regional School Unit Budget Meeting?

YES

NO

Article 3.

Do you wish to continue the budget validation referendum process in Regional School Unit Sixteen (16) for an additional three years?

YES

NO

*(\*Required to be on the ballot as part of the school consolidation law every three years\* since the RSU was created. A “no” vote would require a petition to the RSU 16 School Board to bring back this question.) \*Voters voted last in June 2022.*

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*Explanation:*

*If you vote "yes" on question XX, that means you would like the two-step budget validation referendum process to continue for another three years.*

- Step 1: Registered voters of the three towns vote on each proposed article during a District Budget Meeting held at Poland Regional High School auditorium. Amount for each article can only be adjusted down by a majority vote at the District Budget Meeting.*
- Step 2: Then the proposed budget goes to voters in an annual Budget Validation Referendum where voters go to their town office to vote.*

*If you vote "no" on question XX, that means you would like the two-step budget validation referendum process to not continue and the one-step District Budget Meeting would be the preferred budget approval process.*

- Step 1: Registered voters of the three towns vote to finalize each proposed article during a District Budget Meeting held at Poland Regional High School auditorium. Amount for each article can only be adjusted down by a majority vote at the District Budget Meeting. No other steps will be taken, the school budget would then be final.*

**Ballot marking instructions**

Vote by making a **X** or **✓** in the square at the right of the YES or NO. If you make a mistake please ask for a new ballot. Do not erase or cross out marks.