

SAMPLE BALLOT

BALLOT 1 OF 2

OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
SANDOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 14, 2023

Dawn M. Nicolaisen
TOWN CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

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B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

SELECTMEN

VOTE FOR NOT
THREE YEARS MORE THAN TWO

PARKER A. DAVIS 167 ☒

JEFF GILMAN 88 ☒

EDWARD L. MENCIS 269 ☒

ROBERT NICKERSON 217 ☒

BEN SHARPE 312 ☒

(Write-In) ☐

(Write-In) ☐

PLANNING BOARD

VOTE FOR NOT
THREE YEARS MORE THAN TWO

GEORGE GRIVAS 464 ☒

TRICIA EDRIS 472 ☒

(Write-In) ☐

(Write-In) ☐

FIRE ENGINEERS

VOTE FOR NOT
THREE YEARS MORE THAN THREE

JONATHAN GOLDMAN 446 ☒

KEVIN M. MAJOR 536 ☒

STEPHEN WINTER 481 ☒

(Write-In) ☐

(Write-In) ☐

(Write-In) ☐

CEMETERY TRUSTEE

VOTE FOR NOT
THREE YEARS MORE THAN ONE

STEPHEN WINTER 538 ☒

(Write-In) ☐

CEMETERY TRUSTEE

VOTE FOR NOT
ONE YEAR MORE THAN ONE

THOMAS LATHAM 523 ☒

(Write-In) ☐

(Write-In) ☐

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

VOTE FOR NOT
THREE YEARS MORE THAN TWO

MARC ZUCKER 457 ☒

ELAINE AUBIN 487 ☒

(Write-In) ☐

(Write-In) ☐

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

VOTE FOR NOT
TWO YEARS MORE THAN ONE

STEPHEN BROWN 514 ☒

(Write-In) ☐

BUDGET COMMITTEE

VOTE FOR NOT
THREE YEARS MORE THAN TWO

STEPHEN BROWN 479 ☒

(Write-In) ☐

Leif Aubrey 80 ☒

(Write-In) ☐

TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUND

VOTE FOR NOT
THREE YEARS MORE THAN ONE

JILLETJA JARVIS 476 ☒

(Write-In) ☐

(Write-In) ☐

ARTICLES

Warrant Article 2. Shall the Town 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 \$5,417,910. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$5,174,578 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town 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. This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations contained in ANY other warrant articles.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$7.85 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 5-1-0)

YES ☒

NO ☐

Warrant Article 3. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Sixty Seven Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Eight Dollars (\$167,428) for the road improvement programs to be recommended by the Sandown Highway Department and approved by the Sandown Board of Selectmen, said sum expected to be supplied by the State of New Hampshire Highway Block Grant.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$0

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 6-0-0)

YES ☒

NO ☐

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Special Warrant Article 4. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Forty Six Thousand Dollars (\$546,000) to be added to the Road Improvement Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.79 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 6-0-0)

YES ☒

NO ☐

407

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Special Warrant Article 5. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000) to be added to the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.22 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 6-0-0)

YES ☒

NO ☐

357

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Special Warrant Article 6. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.01 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 6-0-0)

YES ☒

NO ☐

365

280

Special Warrant Article 7. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to be added to the Stormwater Management Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.02 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 6-0-0)

YES ☒

NO ☐

395

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Special Warrant Article 8. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) to be added to the Fire Equipment and Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.14 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 5-1-0)

YES ☒

NO ☐

427

224

Special Warrant Article 9. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$12,720) from the unassigned fund balance to be added to the Phillips Pond Expendable Trust Fund previously established.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$0 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 6-0-0)

YES ☒

NO ☐

414

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Special Warrant Article 10. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) to be added to the Government Building Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.14 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 4-2-0)

YES ☐

NO ☒

265

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Special Warrant Article 11. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Old Home Day Celebration Expendable Trust Fund previously established.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.01 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Not Recommended by the Budget Committee: 3-3-0)

YES ☒

NO ☐

380

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Warrant Article 12. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$4,500) for fireworks with a date and time to be determined by the Board of Selectmen.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.01 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Not Recommended by the Budget Committee: 3-3-0)

YES ☒

NO ☐

345

310

Warrant Article 13. Shall the town vote to approve the readoption of the Optional Veteran's Tax Credit (RSA 72:28, II) to allow for the expansion of the criteria needed to qualify for the Optional Veteran's Tax Credit of \$750 to now include those service members that are currently serving and have not yet been honorably discharged from the armed services. The readoption of the Optional Veteran's Tax Credit, if approved, would continue to offer a \$750 tax credit to all honorably discharged Veterans that qualify under the current requirements but as of April 1, 2023, it would expand the eligibility requirements to now include those individuals that have not yet been discharged from active service.

Note: If this Article does not pass the Optional Tax Credit would revert to the Standard Veteran Tax Credit under RSA 72:28, I, and as of April 1, 2023, the Standard Veteran Tax Credit would be in place and reduce the Veteran Tax Credit from \$750 to \$50 per year.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 6-0-0)

YES ☒

NO ☐

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Warrant Article 14. Shall the town vote to approve the readoption of the All Veteran's Tax Credit (RSA 72:28-b) to allow for the expansion of the criteria needed to qualify for the All Veteran's Tax Credit of \$750 to now include those service members that are currently serving and have not yet been honorably discharged from the armed services. The readoption of the All Veteran's Tax Credit, if approved would continue to offer a \$750 tax credit to all honorably discharged Veterans that qualify under the current requirements of (RSA 72:28-b) but as of April 1, 2023, it would expand the eligibility requirements to now include those individuals that have not yet been discharged from active service.

Note: If this Article does not pass the All Veteran Tax Credit would revert to the Standard Veteran Tax Credit under RSA 72:28, I, and as of April 1, 2023, the Standard Veteran Tax Credit would be in place and reduce the Veteran Tax Credit from \$750 to \$50 per year.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 6-0-0)

YES ☒
NO ☐

559
95

Warrant Article 15. Shall the Town vote, pursuant to RSA 35:9-a, II, to authorize the Trustees of the Trust Funds, without further action of the town meeting, to charge any expenses incurred for professional banking or brokerage assistance to the capital reserve funds involved, such authority to remain in effect until rescinded by a vote of the town meeting, which said vote to rescind such authority shall not occur within 5 years of the adoption of this article.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$0 per thousand.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 6-0-0)

YES ☒
NO ☐

453
194

Special Warrant Article 16. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a lease/purchase agreement not to exceed 5 years in the amount of Forty Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$40,300) for the purpose of leasing/purchasing an electronic and hydraulic stretcher loading system for the Fire and Rescue Department and to raise and appropriate the sum of Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$14,900) for the first year's payment. This lease/purchase agreement contains an escape clause. This article is designated as a special warrant article by the Board of Selectmen.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.02 per thousand.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 4-1-0)

YES ☒
NO ☐

409
243

Special Warrant Article 17. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Nine Dollars (\$27,989) for exterior painting to preserve the Sandown Railroad Depot. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the preservation project is completed or by December 31, 2028, whichever is sooner. Costs may be offset by grant funds received. This article is designated as a special warrant article by the Board of Selectmen.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.04 per thousand.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)
(Not Recommended by the Budget Committee: 3-2-1)

YES ☐
NO ☒

284
368

Warrant Article 18. Shall the Town vote to add the town owned parcel identified as Tax Map 17, Lot 4, to the existing Wells Village Road Town Forest in accordance with NH RSA 31:110. The referenced property is 15.39 acres in size.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.00 per thousand.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 6-0-0)

YES ☒
NO ☐

573
76

Warrant Article 19. Shall the Town vote to add the town owned parcel identified as Map 13, Lot 4, to the existing Wells Village Road Town Forest in accordance with NH RSA 31:110. The referenced property is 47.42 acres in size.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.00 per thousand.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 6-0-0)

YES ☒
NO ☐

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79

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Warrant Article 20. Shall the Town vote pursuant to RSA 72:39-b to make the following changes to the Town of Sandown's elderly exemption:

The elderly exemption based on assessed value of their home for qualified property owners 65 years of age up to 75 shall be \$110,000 (currently \$85,000), from 75 years of age to 80 shall be \$130,000 (currently \$100,000), age 80 and up shall be \$150,000 (currently \$125,000).

To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 3 consecutive years prior to April 1, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married to each other for at least 5 consecutive years. In addition, the single tax payer must not have a net income of more than \$50,000 or, if married, a combined net income of \$100,000, and own net assets not in excess of \$200,000, excluding the value of the person's primary residence or, if married, combined assets shall not be in excess of \$200,000, excluding the value of the persons primary residence. The combined net asset amount for married persons shall apply to a surviving spouse until the sale or transfer of the property by the surviving spouse or until remarriage of the surviving spouse.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 3-2-0)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 5-1-0)

YES ☒
NO ☐

455
173

Petition Warrant Article 21. Shall the Town vote to ban the use of voting machines in local, state and federal elections.

(Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 0-5-0)
(Not Recommended by the Budget Committee: 1-8-0)

YES ☐
NO ☒

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480

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Kathleen Lancaster
SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

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SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER

3-Year Term Vote for not more than ONE

Paul Lecain 94 ●
(Write-in)

BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBER

1-Year Term Vote for not more than ONE

KAREN WHITE 478 ●
(Write-in)

DISTRICT MODERATOR

3-Year Term Vote for not more than ONE

ROBERT HARB 462 ●
(Write-in)

ARTICLES

Article 2 – Operating Budget

Shall the voters of 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 \$83,270,418.18? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$81,401,106.67, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Timberlane Regional 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. Note: Warrant Article 2 (the operating budget) does not include appropriations proposed under any other warrant articles. (MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED)

Recommended by the School Board 7-0-0

Recommended by the Budget Committee 8-1-0

YES ○
NO ●

275
382

Article 3 – Lease Purchase Agreement

Shall the voters of the School District authorize the School Board to enter into a 20-year lease purchase agreement for the installation of up to \$25,243,000 of energy saving equipment and associated building and facility improvements at school district buildings in Atkinson, Danville, Plaistow and Sandown, and further to raise and appropriate \$2,061,000 for the first year's payment under the lease to be partially offset by energy savings and a resulting reduction in costs? This lease agreement will contain a non-appropriation clause. (MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED)

Recommended by the School Board 7-0-0

Recommended by the Budget Committee 7-0-0

YES ○
NO ●

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377

Article 4 – Three Year Collective Bargaining Agreement (Timberlane Administrators' Union)

Shall the voters of the School District approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Timberlane Administrators' Union and the Timberlane Regional School Board, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels over the amount paid in the prior fiscal year:

Fiscal Year	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Estimated Increase	\$459,400	\$137,501	\$135,523
3-Year Total			\$732,424

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$459,400 for the 2023-24 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at the current staffing levels? (MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED)

Recommended by the School Board 7-0-0

Recommended by the Budget Committee 7-0-0

YES ○
NO ●

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 5 – Authorization for Special Meeting on Cost Items

Shall the voters of the School District, if Article 4 is defeated, authorize the Timberlane Regional School Board to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 4 cost items only? (MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED)

YES ☒ NO ☐

Recommended by the School Board 7-0-0

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Article 6 – Three Year Collective Bargaining Agreement (Timberlane Administrative Assistants/Secretaries and Skilled Maintenance Union)

Shall the voters of the School District approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Timberlane Administrative Assistants and Maintenance Union and the Timberlane Regional School Board, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels over the amount paid in the prior fiscal year:

Fiscal Year	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Estimated Increase	\$141,943	\$108,273	\$ 99,195
3-Year Total			\$349,411

YES ☒ NO ☐

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$141,943 for the 2023-24 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at the current staffing levels? (MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED)

Recommended by the School Board 7-0-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 7-0-0

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Article 7 – Authorization for Special Meeting on Cost Items

Shall the voters of the School District, if Article 6 is defeated, authorize the Timberlane Regional School Board to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 6 cost items only? (MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED)

YES ☒ NO ☐

Recommended by the School Board 7-0-0

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Article 8 – Three Year Collective Bargaining Agreement (Timberlane Support Staff Union)

Shall the voters of the School District approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Timberlane Support Staff Union and the Timberlane Regional School Board, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels over the amount paid in the prior fiscal year:

Fiscal Year	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Estimated Increase	\$459,669	\$307,786	\$ 293,841
3-Year Total			\$1,061,296

YES ☒ NO ☐

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$459,669 for the 2023-24 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at the current staffing levels? (MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED)

Recommended by the School Board 7-0-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 7-0-0

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Article 9 – Authorization for Special Meeting on Cost Items

Shall the voters of the School District, if Article 8 is defeated, authorize the Timberlane Regional School Board to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 8 cost items only? (MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED)

YES ☒ NO ☐

Recommended by the School Board 7-0-0

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Article 10 – One Year Collective Bargaining Agreement (Timberlane Teachers' Association)

Shall the voters of the School District approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Timberlane Teachers' Association and the Timberlane Regional School Board, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels over the amount paid in the prior fiscal year:

Fiscal Year	2023-24
Estimated Increase	\$404,485
1-Year Total	\$404,485

YES ☒ NO ☐

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$404,485 for the 2023-24 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at the current staffing levels? (MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED)

Recommended by the School Board 7-0-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 7-0-0

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Article 11 – Authorization for Special Meeting on Cost Items

Shall the voters of the School District, if Article 10 is defeated, authorize the Timberlane Regional School Board to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 10 cost items only? (MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED)

YES ☒ NO ☐

Recommended by the School Board 7-0-0

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Article 12 – Capital Reserve Fund by Surplus

Shall the voters of the School District raise and appropriate up to \$250,000 to be placed in the School Building Construction, Reconstruction, Capital Improvement and Land Purchase Capital Reserve Fund established in 1996, with such amount to be transferred from those funds in the June 30, 2023 unassigned fund balance available for transfer on July 1 of this year which were apportioned as Capital Expenses in 2022-2023 in accordance with Article 6 of the Timberlane Regional School District Articles of Agreement? No amount to be raised by additional taxation. (MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED)

YES ☒

NO ☐

Recommended by the School Board 7-0-0

Recommended by the Budget Committee 7-0-0

Article 13 – General Acceptance of Reports

Shall the voters of the School District accept reports of agents, auditors, and committees as written in the 2022 Annual Report? (MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED)

YES ☒

NO ☐

Recommended by the School Board 7-0-0

Article 14 – Emergency Contingency Fund

Shall the School District establish a contingency fund for the upcoming fiscal year for the purpose of covering the cost of unpredictable cost escalations as well as emergencies and further raise and appropriate \$500,000 with such amount to be transferred from those funds in the June 30, 2023 unassigned fund balance available for transfer on July 1 of this year; no amount to be raised by additional taxation. Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse to the general fund and used to offset the local education property tax rate. (MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED)

YES ☒

NO ☐

Recommended by the School Board 7-0-0

Recommended by the Budget Committee 7-0-0

Article 15 – Fund Balance Retention

Shall the School District vote to authorize, indefinitely until rescinded, to retain year-end unassigned general funds in an amount not to exceed, in any fiscal year, 5% of the current fiscal year's net assessment, in accordance with RSA 198:4-b, II. (MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED)

YES ☐

NO ☒

Recommended by the School Board 6-1-0

Recommended by the Budget Committee 7-0-0

Article 16 – Use of Capital Reserve Fund

Shall the voters of the School District appropriate the sum of \$950,000 to repair, maintain, improve, or replace the High School's boilers and related facilities to authorize the District to withdraw the sum of \$950,000 from the existing School Building Construction, Reconstruction, Capital Improvements and Land Purchase Capital Reserve Fund? No amount to be raised by additional taxation. (MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED)

YES ☒

NO ☐

Recommended by the School Board 7-0-0

Recommended by the Budget Committee 7-0-0

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