

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND
NOTICE OF ANNUAL BUDGET & SCHOOL BUS PROPOSITION VOTE
FOR QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE
SOUTH COLONIE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
TOWN OF COLONIE
ALBANY, NEW YORK**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Budget Hearing for the inhabitants of the South Colonie Central School District, Town of Colonie, Albany County, qualified to vote at school meetings in said District will be held at the Saddlewood Elementary School on **Tuesday, May 8, 2018**, at 7:00 pm for the discussion of the expenditure of funds and the proposed budget for the 2018-2019 school year and the transaction of such business as is authorized by New York State Education Law.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that, pursuant to Section 1716 of the New York State Education Law, a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required for the ensuing year for school purposes, exclusive of public monies, may be obtained by any taxpayer of the District during the fourteen (14) days immediately preceding the annual vote, except Saturday, Sunday or holiday, between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:30 pm at the office of the District Clerk, 102 Loralee Drive, Albany, New York 12205 and during school hours at each schoolhouse of the District in which school is maintained.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the voting upon the following propositions shall take place between the hours of 11:00 am and 9:00 pm on **Tuesday, May 15, 2018**.

PROPOSITION #1 – ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the South Colonie Central School District, Albany County, New York be authorized to expend sums as set forth in the annual operating budget for the 2018-2019 school year and to levy the necessary tax therefor.

PROPOSITION #2 – SCHOOL BUS PURCHASE

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the South Colonie Central School District, Albany County, New York, is hereby authorized to purchase and expend therefore, including costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof, an amount not to exceed the estimated maximum cost of one million seventy-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,072,500.00), and for a term not to exceed five (5) years, the following motor vehicles: six (6) 66-passenger buses, one (1) 24-passenger wheelchair accessible bus, one (1) 36-passenger bus, one (1) 16-passenger bus, and one (1) 6-passenger bus; and that such sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said school district and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the New York State Education Law; and that in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said school district shall be issued.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the aforesaid proposition will appear on the ballot for the voting machines used at such Annual District Meeting in the following abbreviated form:

Abbreviated Form of Proposition

Shall the proposition set forth in the notice of this meeting authorizing the purchase of school buses, at an estimated cost not to exceed \$1,072,500.00; and providing that such sum, or so much thereof as shall be necessary, shall be raised by a tax levy to be collected in annual installments, with District obligations to be issued in anticipation thereof, be approved?

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that absentee ballots shall be made available in accordance with the provisions of Section 2018-a of the New York State Education Law and that applications for such absentee ballots may be applied for at the office of the District Clerk, 102 Loralee Drive, Albany, New York 12205. Any such application must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the date of the aforesaid annual vote if the ballot is to be mailed to the applicant, or the day before such aforesaid annual vote, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the applicant.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Board of Education shall make a list of all persons to whom absentee voter ballots shall have been issued and such list shall be filed in the office of the District Clerk where it shall be available for public inspection during regular office hours until the date of the aforesaid annual vote. In addition, such list shall also be posted in a conspicuous place or places during the hours of such annual vote, and any qualified voter may challenge the acceptance of the absentee voter's ballot of any person on such list by making his or her challenge and the reasons therefore known to the inspectors of election before the close of the polls.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that, in accordance with the provisions of §2014 and §2606 of the New York State Education Law, registration of voters will occur between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:30 pm, no later than **May 8, 2018**. All registration shall take place at the office of the District Clerk, 102 Loralee Drive, Albany, New York 12205.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that petitions nominating candidates for the office of Member of the Board of Education may be filed at the office of the District Clerk, 102 Loralee Drive, Albany, New York 12205, between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:30 pm. The final deadline for submission of petitions nominating candidates shall be 5:00 pm on **April 16, 2018**.

The following vacancies are to be filled on the Board of Education:

Member for five (5) year term to succeed **Christine Badger Mele seat**, whose term will expire **June 30, 2018**.

Member for five (5) year term to succeed **Shelle Jaquish seat**, whose term will expire **June 30, 2018**.

Each vacancy is a separate and specific office and a separate petition is required to nominate a candidate to each separate office. Each petition must be directed to the District Clerk, must be signed by at least **twenty-eight (28)** qualified voters of the District (at least 25 signatures or equal to two percent of the voters who voted in the previous annual election, whichever is greater) with their addresses and must state the name and residence of the candidate and must describe the specific vacancy for which the candidate is nominated, including at least the length of the term of office and the name of the last incumbent.

Voting on Proposition #1, Annual Operating Budget, and Proposition #2, School Bus Purchase, and election of two members of the Board of Education will be held at Forest Park Elementary School, Roessleville Elementary School, Saddlewood Elementary School, Shaker Road Elementary School, and Veeder Elementary School on **Tuesday, May 15, 2018**, between the hours of 11:00 am and 9:00 pm.

Jamie Mroczko
District Clerk

Dated: March 20, 2018

Publish: March 27, 2018
April 10, 2018
April 24, 2018
May 8, 2018