

SAMPLE BALLOT

OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN AND SCHOOL MEETING BALLOT
FAIR HAVEN, VERMONT
MARCH 7, 2017

BALLOT 1 OF 2

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: ●
- 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.

<p style="text-align: center;">FOR MODERATOR</p> <p>1 Year Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>CECELIA "CEIL" HUNT <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR LISTER</p> <p>3 Years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC FUNDS</p> <p>2 Years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>MARY A. PHELPS <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">FOR FIRST CONSTABLE</p> <p>2 Years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>DONALD PROCTOR <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR TOWN TREASURER</p> <p>3 Years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>SUZANNE DECHAME <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC FUNDS</p> <p>3 Years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>MAUREEN HALL <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">FOR SELECTMEN</p> <p>1 Year Vote for not more than TWO</p> <p>NEIL ROBINSON <input type="radio"/></p> <p>BONNIE ROSATI <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR AUDITOR</p> <p>3 Years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR SCHOOL DIRECTOR TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT</p> <p>1 Year Vote for not more than TWO</p> <p>TARA BUXTON <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">FOR SELECTMEN</p> <p>3 Years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>RICHARD "DICK" FRAZIER <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE</p> <p>1 Year Vote for not more than TWO</p> <p>THOMAS D. BRUSO <input type="radio"/></p> <p>CECELIA "CEIL" HUNT <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR SCHOOL DIRECTOR TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT</p> <p>3 Years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>MICHAEL BACHE <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">FOR GRAND JUROR</p> <p>1 Year Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE</p> <p>3 Years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>NATHAN MORRIS <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR UNION HIGH SCHOOL DIRECTOR</p> <p>3 Years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>LAURITZ RASMUSSEN <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">FOR TOWN AGENT</p> <p>1 Year Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC FUNDS</p> <p>1 Year Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>MICHAEL BARSALOW <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR UNION HIGH SCHOOL DIRECTOR</p> <p>3 Years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>LAURITZ RASMUSSEN <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

SAMPLE BALLOT

ARTICLES

ARTICLE 1. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to accept the Town Officers' Report? YES
NO

ARTICLE 2. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to elect officers for the following terms? Moderator for 1 year; Town Treasurer for 3 years; First Constable for 2 years; two Selectmen for 1 year; one Selectmen for 3 years; Lister for 3 years; Trustee of Public Funds for 3 years; Trustee of Public Funds for 2 years; Trustee of Public Funds for 1 year; Town Auditor for 3 years; Grand Juror for 1 year; Town Agent for 1 year; Library Trustee for 3 years; and two (2) Library Trustees each for 1 year. YES
NO

ARTICLE 3. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to appropriate for fiscal year 2017-18 the sum of \$76,082 to support the *Library*? YES
NO

ARTICLE 4. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to appropriate for the fiscal year 2017-18 the sum of \$27,340 as its share of the fiscal year 2017-18 *Fair Haven Rescue Squad* budget? YES
NO

ARTICLE 5. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to appropriate for fiscal year 2017-18 the sum of \$29,500 to support *Fair Haven Concerned Inc.?* YES
NO

ARTICLE 6. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to appropriate for fiscal year 2017-18 the sum of \$2,739 to support *Rutland Mental Health Services?* YES
NO

ARTICLE 7. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to appropriate for fiscal year 2017-18 the sum of \$3,000 to support *BROC – Community Action in Southwestern Vermont?* YES
NO

ARTICLE 8. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to appropriate for fiscal year 2017-18 the sum of \$1,800 to support the *Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging?* YES
NO

ARTICLE 9. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to appropriate for fiscal year 2017-18 the sum of \$1,050 to support *RSVP and The Volunteer Center?* YES
NO

ARTICLE 10. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to appropriate for fiscal year 2017-18 the sum of \$7,087 to support the *Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice?* YES
NO

ARTICLE 11. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to appropriate for fiscal year 2017-18 the sum of \$3,500 to support the *ARC - Rutland Area?* YES
NO

ARTICLE 12. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to appropriate for fiscal year 2017-18, the sum of \$5,000 to support *Castleton Community Seniors, Inc.?* YES
NO

ARTICLE 13. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to appropriate for fiscal year 2017-18, the sum of \$2,500 to support *Marble Valley Regional Transit District ("The Bus")?* YES
NO

ARTICLE 14. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to approve the Selectboard's budget of \$1,998,680 minus \$492,113 of anticipated revenue of which \$1,506,567 is to be raised by taxes? YES
NO

ARTICLE 15. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to appropriate \$10,000 of the total \$179,014 fiscal year 2015-16 general fund carry forward to the *Park Restoration/Tree Replacement Reserve* account? YES
NO

GO TO NEXT BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

ARTICLE 16. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to appropriate \$25,000 of the total \$179,014 fiscal year 2015-16 General Fund carry forward to the Grants Match Reserve account? YES
NO

ARTICLE 17. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to appropriate \$25,000 of the total \$179,014 fiscal year 2015-16 General Fund carry forward to the Municipal Building Reserve account? YES
NO

ARTICLE 18. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to appropriate \$5,000 of the total \$179,014 fiscal year 2015-16 General Fund carry forward to the Police Equipment/Vehicle Reserve account? YES
NO

ARTICLE 19. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to appropriate \$25,000 of the total \$179,014 fiscal year 2015-16 General Fund carry forward to the Streets/Sidewalks Reserve account? YES
NO

ARTICLE 20. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to appropriate \$50,000 of the total \$94,588 fiscal year 2015-16 Highway Fund carry forward to the Streets/Sidewalks Reserve account? YES
NO

ARTICLE 21. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to encourage the Fair Haven Selectboard to adopt a municipal ordinance (pursuant to 24 VSA Chapter 59) that prohibits the use of smoke tobacco, smokeless tobacco products (e.g., chewing tobacco), and tobacco substitutes (e.g., e-cigarettes, vape pens, and hookas) within the fenced area of the Park at all times? YES
NO

ARTICLE 22. Shall the voters of Fair Haven vote to encourage the Fair Haven Selectboard to adopt a municipal ordinance (pursuant to 24 VSA Chapter 59) that prohibits the use of recreational marijuana in all its forms in all public areas throughout the Town of Fair Haven, if marijuana is legalized in Vermont? YES
NO

FAIR HAVEN TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

ARTICLE 8. Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend \$5,279,214, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$14,659.22 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 5.10% higher than spending for the current year.* YES
NO

*[It is estimated that this proposed budget and the following articles (Articles 9 - 11) if approved, will result in total education spending of \$14,678.49 per equalized pupil. This projected total spending per equalized pupil is 5.24% higher than spending for the current year.]

ARTICLE 9. To see if the voters of the Town School District will vote to authorize the Board of Directors to reserve an amount of \$2,000 in a special reserve fund to be utilized for the sole purpose of repairing the roof of the school building when such repairs become necessary. YES
NO

ARTICLE 10. To see if the voters of the Town School District will vote to authorize the Board of Directors to reserve an amount of \$2,000 in a special reserve fund to be utilized for the sole purpose of purchasing school vehicles whenever such becomes necessary. YES
NO

ARTICLE 11. To see if the voters of the Town School District will vote to authorize the Board of Directors to reserve an amount of \$2,000 in a special reserve fund to be utilized for boiler replacements and other capital improvements whenever such become necessary. YES
NO

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING

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FAIR HAVEN UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 16

MARCH 7, 2017

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VOTERS: Place a cross (x) in one of the boxes below:

Article 7. Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend \$7,831,980, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$14,838.68 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 9.44% higher than spending for the current year.*

*[It is estimated that this proposed budget and the following article (Article 8), if approved, will result in total education spending of \$14,881.07 per equalized pupil. This projected total spending per equalized pupil is 9.75% higher than spending for the current year.]

YES

NO

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FAIR HAVEN UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 16

MARCH 7, 2017

B A L L O T

VOTERS: Place a cross (x) in one of the boxes below:

Article 8. Shall the voters of the Union High School District authorize the Board of Directors to reserve an amount of \$20,000 in a special reserve fund to be utilized by the Board for repairs and capital improvements on the school building and grounds whenever the Board deems it necessary?

YES

NO

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INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote in favor of the first article, completely fill the OVAL to the LEFT of YES at the bottom of the page. Like this: YES

To vote against the first article, completely fill the OVAL to the LEFT of NO at the bottom of the page. Like this: NO

Article I. Shall the Fair Haven Town School District, which the State Board of Education has found advisable to include in the proposed unified union school district, join with the school districts of Benson, Castleton, Castleton-Hubbardton Union, Fair Haven Union High School, Hubbardton, Orwell, and West Haven, which the State Board of Education has found advisable to include in the proposed unified union school district, for the purpose of forming a unified union school district to be named the Slate Valley Unified Union School District, as provided in Title 16, Vermont Statutes Annotated, upon the following conditions and agreements.

The above referenced school districts that are not union school districts are hereinafter referred to as the "town districts". There are no additional school districts being recommended at this time. The interest of the voters of the two union school districts are represented by the voters in the member town districts.

In the event that the majority of the town districts vote to approve the merger, but one or two town districts votes against merger, pursuant to Act 156 (2012), Sec. 17, as amended, a Modified Unified Union School District (MUUSD) will be formed. In this case, the MUUSD shall be named the Slate Valley Modified Unified Union School District. Notwithstanding the above, due to their membership in the Castleton-Hubbardton Union School District, the Castleton Town School District and the Hubbardton Town School District must both vote to approve a merger in order for either town school district to become a PreK-12 member of a MUUSD. As such, neither town school district's vote shall be included in the "majority of districts voting to approve the merger," as defined in this paragraph, unless both districts vote to approve the merger. The Articles governing the Unified School District shall govern the MUUSD except as specifically provided in Articles 17-19 and Appendix A.

- (a) Grades. The unified union school district will offer pre-kindergarten through grade twelve education to all of the students in the unified union school district. Hubbardton students enrolled or attending a public or approved independent high school (grades 9-12) during the 2017-2018 school year at the expense of the Hubbardton School District as tuitioned high school students shall be "grandfathered". Such Hubbardton students shall be permitted the option to continue to attend at the same public or approved independent school as tuition students at the expense of the Union School District. Except as specifically approved by the Union District's Board of School Directors, and consistent with the state law, the tuitioning of "grandfathered" high school students shall cease on June 30, 2021.
- (b) A town district's representation on the Union School District Board of School Directors will be determined as an at-large "hybrid model". Membership on the Union School District Board is apportioned to each town in equal numbers. Apportionment does not have to be proportional to the town's population. Voters in the proposed member towns will vote on the same slate of candidates. The ballot is categorized to represent each town's apportioned seats on the Union School District Board of School Directors.

At no time will a town/village corresponding to a pre-existing member school district have less than one board member with a single vote of one on the board of school directors.

The Union School District Board of School Directors shall have eighteen (18) members.

- (c) Assumption of debts and ownership of school property. The unified union school district shall assume the indebtedness of member districts and assume all operating deficits and/or surpluses or reserve funds of the member districts; acquire and pay for the school properties of member districts; all as specifically identified and provided for in Articles 7 and 8 in the Final Report. The complete provisions of Articles 7 and 8 as set forth in the Final Report are incorporated in their entirety by reference herein.
- (d) Final Report. The provisions of the Final Report approved by the State Board of Education on January 17, 2017, which is on file in the Fair Haven Town Clerk's office, shall govern the unified union school district.

YES

NO

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Use **BLACK PEN** or **PENCIL** to fill in the oval. **DO NOT ERASE.**

To vote for a person whose name is printed on the ballot, completely blacken the oval to the right of that person's name. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the person's name on the blank line in the appropriate block and completely fill in the oval to the right of the write-in line. Do not vote for more candidates than the "Vote for not more than number" for an office. If you make a mistake, tear or deface the ballot, return it to an election official and obtain another ballot.

Article II: To elect eighteen (18) school directors from the nominees to serve on the school board of the proposed unified union school district board from the date of the organizational meeting for the following terms:

- One (1) school director who is a resident of Benson for a one-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of Benson for a two-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of Benson for a three-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of Castleton for a one-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of Castleton for a two-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of Castleton for a three-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of Fair Haven for a one-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of Fair Haven for a two-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of Fair Haven for a three-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of Hubbardton for a one-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of Hubbardton for a two-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of Hubbardton for a three-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of Orwell for a one-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of Orwell for a two-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of Orwell for a three-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of West Haven for a one-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of West Haven for a two-year term.
- One (1) school director who is a resident of West Haven for a three-year term.

BENSON SCHOOL DIRECTOR	CASTLETON SCHOOL DIRECTOR
1 year term Vote for not more than ONE	1 year term Vote for not more than ONE
_____ ○ (Write-In)	Toni J. Lobdell ○ _____ ○ (Write-In)
BENSON SCHOOL DIRECTOR	CASTLETON SCHOOL DIRECTOR
2 year term Vote for not more than ONE	2 year term Vote for not more than ONE
David Renninger ○ _____ ○ (Write-In)	_____ ○ (Write-In)
BENSON SCHOOL DIRECTOR	CASTLETON SCHOOL DIRECTOR
3 year term Vote for not more than ONE	3 year term Vote for not more than ONE
Amy Munger ○ _____ ○ (Write-In)	Julie Finnegan ○ _____ ○ (Write-In)

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FAIR HAVEN SCHOOL DIRECTOR 1 year term Vote for not more than ONE	HUBBARDTON SCHOOL DIRECTOR 1 year term Vote for not more than ONE
<u>Tara Buxton</u> <input type="radio"/> <u>Patrick Frazier</u> <input type="radio"/> <u>Lauritz Rasmussen</u> <input type="radio"/> _____ (Write-In) <input type="radio"/>	<u>Shannon Baldwin</u> <input type="radio"/> _____ (Write-In) <input type="radio"/>
FAIR HAVEN SCHOOL DIRECTOR 2 year term Vote for not more than ONE	HUBBARDTON SCHOOL DIRECTOR 2 year term Vote for not more than ONE
<u>Michael Bache</u> <input type="radio"/> _____ (Write-In) <input type="radio"/>	<u>Joshua Hardt</u> <input type="radio"/> _____ (Write-In) <input type="radio"/>
FAIR HAVEN SCHOOL DIRECTOR 3 year term Vote for not more than ONE	HUBBARDTON SCHOOL DIRECTOR 3 year term Vote for not more than ONE
<u>Roy L. Eckler</u> <input type="radio"/> _____ (Write-In) <input type="radio"/>	<u>Mike Fallis</u> <input type="radio"/> _____ (Write-In) <input type="radio"/>
ORWELL SCHOOL DIRECTOR 1 year term Vote for not more than ONE	WEST HAVEN SCHOOL DIRECTOR 1 year term Vote for not more than ONE
<u>Peter Stone</u> <input type="radio"/> _____ (Write-In) <input type="radio"/>	<u>Richard Wilson</u> <input type="radio"/> _____ (Write-In) <input type="radio"/>
ORWELL SCHOOL DIRECTOR 2 year term Vote for not more than ONE	WEST HAVEN SCHOOL DIRECTOR 2 year term Vote for not more than ONE
<u>Glen Cousineau</u> <input type="radio"/> _____ (Write-In) <input type="radio"/>	<u>Angela Charron</u> <input type="radio"/> _____ (Write-In) <input type="radio"/>
ORWELL SCHOOL DIRECTOR 3 year term Vote for not more than ONE	WEST HAVEN SCHOOL DIRECTOR 3 year term Vote for not more than ONE
<u>Andrea Ochs</u> <input type="radio"/> <u>David Carpenter</u> <input type="radio"/> _____ (Write-In) <input type="radio"/>	<u>Michael Trevor Ezzo</u> <input type="radio"/> _____ (Write-In) <input type="radio"/>