

SECTION II – THE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

RAAC Approved: 6/20/2024

School Committee Modified & Approved: 9/9/2024

(A) Composition.

The powers and duties of the District shall be vested in and exercised by a regional school district school committee, hereinafter sometimes referred to as The Committee. The Committee shall consist of seven members, with each town's representation apportioned according to the total population.

(B) Election of Members.

At each Annual Town Election in which the term of a member expires, his or her successor shall be elected for a three-year term.

Proposed: To comply with 1 person - 1 vote

(A) Composition.

The powers and duties of the District shall be vested in and exercised by a regional school district school committee, hereinafter sometimes referred to as The Committee. Upon this agreement having been approved by the DESE Commissioner and being in effect, The Committee shall consist of 5 members, with each town's representation apportioned according to the total population determined by the Federal census. Consistent with the 2020 Federal census, Otis shall initially be represented by 3 members and Sandisfield by 2 members, to satisfy the "one person, one vote" Federal requirement.

Reduction of school committee membership from its current 7 members (4 Otis, 3 Sandisfield) shall be realized by not holding elections for the two member seats, one from Otis and one from Sandisfield, that expire in May 2024, or earlier if the two members whose terms expire in May voluntarily resign after this agreement goes into effect and before the May town elections.

(B) Election of Members.

At subsequent Annual Town Election in which the term of a member expires, his or her successor shall be elected for a three-year term, with the exception of the 2027 elections, for which two members will need to be elected from Otis. In this case, one will be elected to a one year term and the other to a three year term, in order to achieve staggered elections in each town in all subsequent years.