

**UXBRIDGE SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
MEETING OF December 2, 2008  
UXBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY**

**School Committee Members in Attendance:**

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Ernest Esposito, Chair	_ X _	_____
Michelle Taparousky, Vice Chair	_ X _	_____
Peter Baghdasarian, Member	_ X _	_____
Mason Seagrave, Member	_____	_ X _
Mary-Meg Walsh, Member	_ X _	_____
John Higgins, Member	_ X _	_____
Jane, Keegan, Secretary	_____	_ X _

**Also in attendance:** Superintendent, Daniel Stefanilo

1.) **Call to order:** 7:00 p.m. - Moved the Executive Session to last agenda item.

2.) **Public Comment**  
No public comment.

**3.) Student Representatives**

Ryan Normandin and Cassie Harrington presented the student activities during the month of November. Some of the items were Student Hat Day, which cost the students \$10 to wear a hat in school on that day. Students did a clean up at the Quaker Meeting House. Students were also involved in making up soldiers care packages.

**4.) Policy Manual**

Pat Correira, the field representative from MASC, presented to the Committee the School Committee Manual. The Policy Sub-Committee will meet to renumber the policies. *Michelle Taparousky made the motion to accept the policy manual, seconded by Peter Baghdasarian. Vote 5-0 in favor.*

**5.) Superintendent Evaluation Form**

The Committee agreed to continue with the current evaluation form with a few minor changes. Page numbers will be added to the form and the last 3 paragraphs pertaining to the goals will be removed. In some sections, the evaluation comment section will be removed, as it is redundant.

**6.) Budget – Budget Sub-Committee**

Michelle Taparousky commented that because of the work load that John Higgins will now have because of the Feasibility Study, he will no longer be able to serve on the Budget Sub-Committee. Michelle asked that Ernie Esposito be appointed to the sub-committee to replace John Higgins. The Committee agreed.

### **7.) School Building Update**

John Higgins updated the Committee about the schedule that the School Building Committee hopes to accomplish. They would like to have something on the Spring Town Meeting for the voters to approve. The next School Building Committee meeting is scheduled for December 8, 2008.

### **8.) Superintendent Report**

The Superintendent thanked the town for their support of the Feasibility Study. He reported that he had a conversation with Dr. Pamela Gray-Bennett and NEASC was pleased to hear that the Feasibility Study was approved.

He informed the Committee that the newsletter will not be published in December.

The Superintendent announced that the Superintendent's Gala will be held on March 28 at Crystal Lake.

In addition, he mentioned that the music program was doing well and that the High School concert would be held on December 10. Also, the Christmas play, Scrooge, was to be held on December 11 and 12. The Superintendent was to have a walk on part.

The Superintendent talked about the Gifted and Talented program and that an update will be given at the January meeting.

He reported that the Trimester schedule is on track and the Committee will be updated as it is finalized.

### **9.) Minutes**

November 5, 2008: This item was tabled until the January meeting as a quorum of School Committee members who attended that meeting were not present.

### **10.) Old/New Business**

It was reported that the girls Cross Country Team won the SWCL championship and the girls Soccer Team was the first soccer team in Uxbridge High School to win a district championship.

### **11.) Superintendent Report**

The Superintendent presented the following items in his report:

- Handed out the Grant Reports
- Trying to do more with e-mails to communicate with parents in place of some of the back-pack mail.
- Put community newsletter on line, looking for donations to have it printed and distributed to the public.
- Safety issues; school culture is important, Crisis team in each building.

**12.)Adjournment**

*It was voted to enter into Executive Session by roll call vote to discuss personnel issues with no further business to follow: Ernie – yes, Michelle – yes, Peter – yes, Mary-Meg – yes, John – yes.*

Respectfully Submitted By:

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*Ernest Esposito, Chair*

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