

**UXBRIDGE SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
MEETING OF OCOTBER 6, 2009  
UXBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY**

**School Committee Members in Attendance:**

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

2.) Public Comment

There was no public comment.

3.) Retirement Presentation

Superintendent Zini and Business Manager Don Sawyer thanked Angeles Baldanza for her 19 years of service to the children of the district and wished her much happiness and good health in her retirement.

4.) Student Report

Cassey Harrington and Nick Lovett reported on the many student activities during the last few months. Some of the activities included: beach cleaning in Rhode Island, helping with the ABC Fair at Taft School, and trick or treat for can goods. Some of the student athletes attended a conference at Hudson High School and Homecoming is on October 17.

5.) Budget Update

The Superintendent and Business Manager updated the Committee on the current budget. At this time there are no "red flags" to be concerned about.

6.) MSBA

John Higgins updated the Committee on the status of the report that will be submitted to the MSBA on October 9. The next meeting of the School Building Committee will be held on October 13. The MSBA Board Meeting will be November 16.

7.) MCAS

The Superintendent will present to the Committee the results of the MCAS scores on November 10.

8.) School Public Relations

The Committee discussed ways to inform the public of the upcoming school project and the process of the MSBA. The School Building Committee will be requesting that a member of the

School Committee, the Board of Selectmen, and the Finance Committee to investigate the ramifications of School Choice Out and School Choice In has on the financial health of the school district and the town.

9.) Superintendent Update

The Superintendent updated the Committee on the progress of the new trimester schedule at the High School. He also updated the Committee on the cost of two additional buses and the new schedule at the Taft School. The costs of the two additional buses are to be approximately \$84,000. Chief Freitas has observed bus stops that were being questioned as unsafe by some parents and has found them to be an appropriate bus stop. Forms will be sent to parents for permission to give children the H1N1 vaccine when it becomes available. The district has been working with the Board of Health in this issue.

10.) The minutes of the September 8, 2009 meeting were approved. *John Higgins made the motion to accept the minutes, second by Mary-Meg Walsh. Vote 6-0 in favor.*

The minutes of the September 21, 2009 meeting were approved. *Mary-Meg Walsh made the motion to accept the minutes, second by Michelle Taparauskay. Vote 6-0 in favor.*

11.) Old/New Business

Michelle Taparauskay congratulated the football team on their recent success. Michelle will also be attending the Taft PTO meeting in October. The Chair thanked the Superintendent and Business Manager for their extraordinary work during the month of September pertaining to the many bus issues.

12.) Adjournment

*At 8:35 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made by Michelle Taparauskay, second by John Higgins. Vote 6-0 in favor.*

Respectfully Submitted By:

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*Ernest Esposito, Chair*

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