

**UXBRIDGE SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
MEETING OF April 6, 2010  
UXBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY**

**School Committee Members in Attendance:**

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

Also in attendance: Superintendent George Zini

1.) **Call to order:** 7:00 p.m.

2.) **Public Comment**

Amanda Ayer thanked the Committee for their work for the School District.

3.) **Student Report**

Student Paige Consoletti spoke for the Student Council. Student Council was awarded a Gold Medal Award from the Massachusetts Association of Student Councils.

4.) **Superintendent Evaluation**

The Chair reminded the Committee of the Superintendent Evaluation. All evaluations will be forwarded to the Chair by April 20, 2010. The evaluation will be summarized and presented to the Committee on May 4, 2010.

5.) **Budget Update**

The Business Manager updated the Committee on the current budget. Michelle informed the Committee that the Budget Sub-Committee has been meeting monthly and going over all possible reductions. The two revolving accounts (Day Care and Food Service) are doing well and will not be in a deficit this year.

6.) **Public Hearing Date**

*The motion was made by Michelle Taparausky, second by Mary-Meg Walsh to set the Public Hearing for April 26, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Library. Vote 7-0 in favor.*

7.) **Municipal Health Insurance**

*The motion was made by Michelle Taparausky, second by Mary-Meg Walsh to join the Selectmen and Finance Committee to endorse legislation giving cities and towns control over health care costs through plan design authority. Vote 7-0 in favor.*

8.) **MSBA Update**

John Higgins reported that the MSBA Board voted on March 31, 2010 for the district to move ahead with the Schematic Design for a new high school. The Committee will recommend to the Board of Selectmen to set a ballot election to vote to build a new high school. After the rain had ended and the river had crested, pictures were taken where the new school will be built.

**9.) Superintendent Report**

The Superintendent reported that only two states were awarded the grant for the Race to the Top Program. A second round of grants will be awarded and hopefully Massachusetts will be chosen.

A computer program "iParent" is being set-up, which will allow parents to view their children's grades, attendance, etc. The eighth and ninth grades will be the first ones on-line.

The Superintendent thanked everyone for the success of the Gala.

The Superintendent thanked Nick LaPete and Mary Guilmette and everyone who helped with the success of the musical "Grease".

The grant for the AP courses has been received and a press release will be issued by the Mass Math and Science Initiative.

**10.) Old/New Business**

John Higgins thanked the volunteer staff at the Whitin School for the Music and Meatball Event, which was a great success.

The Chair again reminded the members of the Superintendents Evaluation.

**11.) Minutes**

*A motion was made by Mary-Meg Walsh, second by Jane Keegan to approve the minutes of March 2, 2010. Vote 6-0-1 in favor.*

**12.) Adjournment**

*At 7:50 p.m. a motion was made by Michelle Taparousky and seconded by John Higgins to adjourn the meeting. Vote 7-0 in favor.*

Respectfully Submitted By:

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*Ernest Esposito, Chair*

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