

**UXBRIDGE SCHOOL COMMITTEE
MEETING OF March 3, 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_	_____
Peter Baghdasarian, Member	_X_	_____
Mason Seagrave, Member	_____	_X_
Mary-Meg Walsh, Member	_X_	_____
John Higgns, Member	_X_	_____
Jane, Keegan, Secretary	_X_	_____

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

2.) **Public Comment**

No public comment. Moment of silence in memory of Superintendent Daniel Stefanilo.

3.) **Student Report**

Ryan Normandin and Cassey Harrington reported on the student activities for February and acknowledged the student's sadness over the passing of Mr. Stefanilo.

4.) **Budge Vote**

A motion was made by Peter Baghdasarian and seconded by Michelle Taparousky to submit the following budget amount to the Town Manager : Account #300000 School Department \$17,294,646 a 2.36 decrease from FY09. Account #300400 School Transportation \$1,277,255, this is an estimated amount which could change. Vote 6-0 in favor.

5.) **Town Meeting Warrant Article**

The Committee agreed to submit two (2) warrant articles for the town meeting:

Article to fund Good Shepherd School Building rent of \$120,000.

Article to establish a School Facilities Maintenance Trust Fund.

A motion was made by Jane Keegan and seconded by John Higgins to submit these two articles for the town meeting. Vote 6-0 in favor.

6.) **Graduation Requirement**

The new graduation requirements will be discussed with the High School Principal and the Policy Sub-Committee. Members were given a copy of the new trimester schedule.

7.) Chairman Update

The Chair reported on the activity during the week of Mr. Stefanilo’s death. The entire school district handled the situation flawlessly, much to the credit of Mr. Stefanilo’s team approach. The Chair welcomed and thanked Dr. Boyaj for stepping in and managing the district until the end of the school year. It was decided by the Committee that they would immediately start a search for a new Superintendent.

8.) Superintendent Update

Dr. Boyaj thanked the entire school district for the way they handled a difficult situation. He thanked Tara Bennett for her role as the Crisis Management Leader.

9.) Old/New Business

A proposed school calendar was presented to the Committee and will be forwarded to the teacher’s organization.

It was also mentioned to support the upcoming Superintendent’s Gala which benefits the Uxbridge Education Foundation.

John Higgins reported on the activity of the School Building Committee and the next step of having an O.P.M.

10.)Adjournment

At 8:45 p.m. a motion was made by Michelle Taparausky and seconded by Peter Baghdasarian to adjourn the meeting. Vote 6-0 in favor.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Ernest Esposito, Chair

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