

**UXBRIDGE SCHOOL COMMITTEE
APRIL 1, 2014
UXBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY**

**Received by
Uxbridge
Town Clerk**

School Committee Members in Attendance:

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Ernest Esposito, Chair	___X___	_____
Michelle Taparausky, Vice Chair	___X___	_____
Eileen Gorman, Secretary	___X___	_____
Mary-Meg Walsh, Member	___X___	_____
Sean Dugan, Member	___X___	_____
Jane, Keegan, Member	___X___	_____

High School student lead the assembly in a moment of silence for the passing of high school student, Alex Dion.

2.) Public Comment

- The advisors and students participating in Destination Imagination appeared before the Committee. The team has qualified to move onto the national competition. Donations will be accepted to help defray the cost of \$10,000.

-Three field and track student athletes appeared before the Committee to express their concern on Graduation Day and State track meet being held on the same day.

-Two parents spoke of their positive experience with hosting the Chinese students, which were in the school district for a week.

-A parent commented on the State track meet and Graduation being on the same day. Also asked about looking at grants to help with the budget process.

3.) Uxbridge High School Student Update

The Committee was updated on the social and athletic activities during the month of March 2014.

4.) Department of Early Education

The Director of Curriculum and the Principal of the Taft Early Learning Center updated the Committee on the new State initiatives of early education and kindergarten.

5.) Superintendent Update

-The Superintendent recognized the Destination Imagination students who qualified to compete in the National Competition.

-The Superintendent also recognized Principal Tara Bennett for her participation in the Blackstone Valley Education Foundation, which attempts to help students choose the right career path.

-The Superintendent recognized the parents who hosted the Chinese students.

-The Superintendent reviewed the Strategic Plan with the Committee.

6.) FY14 Budget Update

The Business Manager updated the Committee on the status of the FY14 Budget.

The Business Manager updated the Committee on the Town Meeting transfers.

7.) FY15 Budget Update

The Superintendent updated the Committee on the FY15 Budget and that the Finance Committee Public Hearing will be held on April 8, 2014.

8.) School Choice Vote 2014-2015

The motion was made by Jane Keegan, second by Eileen Gorman to continue with the School Choice program throughout the district. Vote 6-0 in favor.

9.) Old/New Business

The Chair reminded the Committee that the evaluation of the Superintendent is due by April 15, 2014.

Michelle asked if there were any candidate forums being scheduled.

10.) School Committee Meeting Minutes

The motion was made by Sean Dugan, second by Eileen Gorman to accept the minutes of March 4, 2014, as amended. Vote 6-0 in favor.

11.) School Committee Meeting Minutes – December 3, 2013

The motion was made by Eileen Gorman, second by Jane Keegan, to rescind the vote of the minutes of December 3, 2013, due to the omission of the Taft School in the statement to the MSBA. Vote 6-0 in favor.

After reading the corrected statement to the MSBA a motion was made by Michelle Taparausky, second by Eileen Gorman to accept the revised minutes of December 3, 2013. Vote 6-0 in favor.

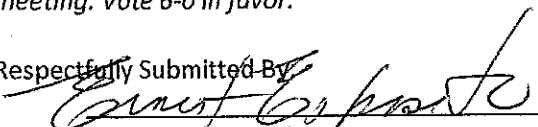
12.) Next School Committee Meeting

The next School Committee meeting will be May 6, 2014.

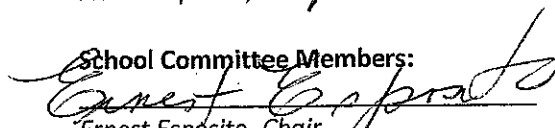
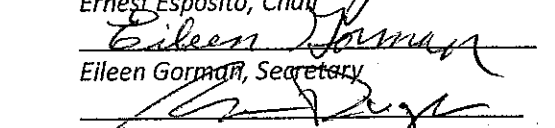
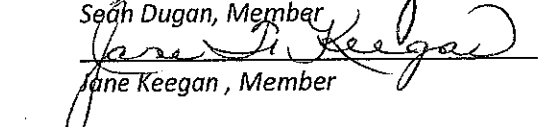

13.) Adjournment

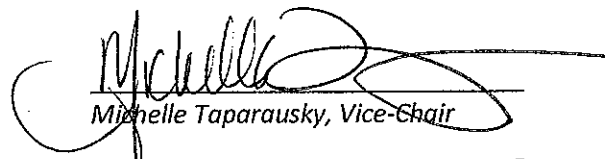
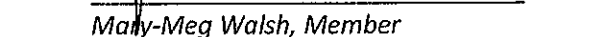
At 8:27 p.m. the motion was made by Michelle Taparausky, second by Mary-Meg Walsh to adjourn the meeting. Vote 6-0 in favor.

Respectfully Submitted By


Ernest Esposito, Chair

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