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**UXBRIDGE SCHOOL COMMITTEE
JULY 21, 2015
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School Committee Members in Attendance:

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Melanie King, Chairperson	X	
Sean Dugan, Vice Chair	X	
Debbie Stark, Secretary	X	
Jane Keegan, Member		X
Charlene Miller, Member	X	
Jennifer Modica, Member	X	
Michelle Taparausky, Member		X

1. Call to Order

Melanie King, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:00PM

2. Public Comment

None

3. Business Manager's Reports

FY16 budget was loaded and began July 1, 2015. The budget is balanced with the amount from town appropriation. Mr. Sawyer provided the Committee with a spreadsheet that showed a review of the district's revenue sources (such as grants, revolving accounts) and their forecasts for the upcoming year.

4. Preliminary approval to cite baseball/softball field at UHS (A)

Mr. Genereaux spoke to ask the Committee to approve a motion that would show preliminary interest in having the ForJake Foundation build a baseball/softball field on the high school campus. This motion would allow the Foundation to start a feasibility study for the project.

Mr. Dugan moved that the Uxbridge School Committee express initial interest in exploring plans to put a baseball/softball field at Uxbridge High School with the caveat that this vote is in no way binding and does not provide final approval of any kind for such a project at this time. Mrs. Stark seconded the motion. The Committee voted in favor of the motion 5-0-0. The motion passed.

5. Structural Engineer's Assessment of Town Hall

Mr. Genereaux told the Committee that a structural engineer determined the weight of the school's 2nd floor town hall offices has structurally compromised the building and the district will need to find a new space to accommodate the offices. He presented the Committee a copy of the engineer's analysis.

6. Review of UPS Central Office Location Options

Mr. Genereaux, Mr. Carney, Ms. Modica and Ms. King toured current school buildings to see if moving the offices to those locations was practical. They determined that, on the surface, it would not make financial sense to relocate the offices to McCloskey Middle School or in the building currently occupied by the Independence Project. He said that the real estate building currently across from town hall is an option to consider for the offices. The owner of the property has offered to sell the property over 10 years at a 3% interest rate. The cost to the district would be \$77,131 annually. He said the owner wants a decision by November 1, 2015. This property also includes a parking lot that the public would be able to use as downtown parking.

*Mr. Dugan moved that the Uxbridge School Committee explore relocating the Central Office from 21 South Main Street to 20 South Main Street with the understanding that the vote is in no way a commitment to the property owner and with the understanding that the School Committee will receive an architectural floor plan that will be developed to ensure the building can accommodate Central Office needs and provide recommendation for any renovation along with a topographic study that will be conducted to ensure ADA compliance. And that no funds will be charged to the school department without the approval of the School Committee. Mrs. Modica seconded the motion. The Committee voted in favor of the motion 5-0-0. **The motion passed.***

7. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Carney announced that Leanne DeMarco would be the new vice-principal at McCloskey.

Mr. Carney said the schools are outlining their professional development work for the upcoming school year and will start drafting district goals to hopefully present to the School Committee by October.

He reminded the public that new high school principal, Michael Rubin, is hosting open houses for parents.

He said bus routes should be finalized within the next couple of weeks.

8. Old/New Business

Ms. Modica had several items for old business.

She clarified for the Committee that Uxbridge is not responsible for special education costs associated with school choice-in students. If these costs are higher than the reimbursement from the state, then the district can bill the sending town for any overages. She also wanted to clarify the move-in law with regards to district costs. Ms. Modica contacted DESE who said that the School Committee can set Special Education policies and she requested that the Special Education department establish their own School Improvement Plans.

9. Approval of SC Meeting Minutes—June 2, 2015 and June 16, 2015

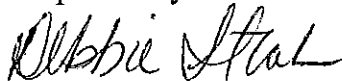
10. Next SC Meeting—August 4, 2015

11. Adjourn

Mr. Dugan made a motion to adjourn. Debbie Stark seconded. The Committee voted in favor of the motion 5-0-0. The motion passed.

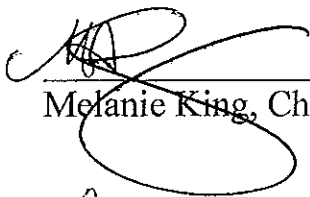
Meeting adjourned at 8:19.

Respectfully submitted,

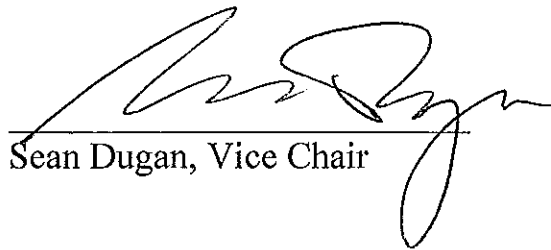


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