Town of Uxbridge Town Scholarship Committee Meeting 9 North Main Street Uxbridge, MA 01569 May 16, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

In attendance : John Wise, Frank Tiano, Charles Paszkewicz, Jane Keegan, Genie Stack

Meeting was opened by John Wise who also led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance

Nominations for chairperson were opened and John Wise was nominated by Frank Tiano and seconded by Chuck Paszkewicz John Wise was elected Chair unanimously

Nominations for Vice Chair were opened and Frank Tiano was nominated by Chuck Paszkewicz and seconded by John Wise Frank Tiano was elected Vice Chair unanimously

Nominations for Clerk were opened and Genie Stack was nominated by John Wise and seconded by Frank Tiano Genie Stack was elected Clerk unanimously

Nominations for Vice Clerk were opened and Jane Keegan was nominated by Chuck Paszkewicz and seconded by Frank Tiano Jane Keegan was elected Vice Clerk unanimously

The Chairman's report was presented by John Wise. He reviewed the history of the scholarship and the process for attaining funds in the past. He thanked Barbara Emerick for her assistance with attaining past records, etc. John noted that the minutes from the last meeting were already approved. He suggested that approval of the minutes from tonight's meeting be done at the next meeting and everyone agreed.

Discussion moved to the current applications for the Town Scholarship. First, the disqualifications were considered and agreed upon. Then the committee had a lengthy discussion about the details of the applicant's essays, letters of recommendations, class standings, etc. After many thoughtful deliberations, Chuck Paszkewicz nominated Alexandria Virginia Nowicki for the Town Scholarship and it was seconded by Frank Tiano. The committee voted unanimously to award Alexandria Virginia Nowicki the Town Scholarship.

John Wise started a preliminary discussion about criteria for the future Town Scholarships and how to fund the scholarship. One idea is to research if funding through an addition to the tax bill can once again be put in place.

John will also research the possibility of moving the \$5,000 donation from Claire Berthiaume under the name High School scholarship to the Town Scholarship. Jane Keegan would like to discuss adding in a minimum GPA to the criteria for the Town Scholarship.

John Wise would like to discuss changing the criteria of a one paragraph essay to one page.

John opened discussion about representatives to attend the Awards Night at Uxbridge High School on Thursday, May 30^{th} at 6:00 p.m.

It was decided that John will speak for the committee and hand out the scholarship. Frank, John and Jane will attend the Awards Night.

Jane Keegan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 and Chuck Paszkewicz seconded the motion.

Motion passed.