



**TOWN OF UXBRIDGE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
JOINT MEETING WITH SCHOOL COMMITTEE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING ROOM
21 S. MAIN STREET, UXBRIDGE, MA
THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 2023 – 6:30 PM**

This meeting was held in-person & via Zoom.

Present: Chairman Jeffrey Shaw, Vice Chairman John Wise, Clerk Brian Plasko, Member Stephen Mandile **Present via Zoom:** Member Peter DeMers (arrival: 6:32 PM)

Also Present: Town Manager Steve Sette, Administrative Assistant Alexandra Clauss

1. CALL TO ORDER – Chairman Shaw called the meeting to order as duly posted (*Mandile-PRESENT, Plasko-PRESENT, Shaw-PRESENT, Wise-PRESENT*) and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. After technical difficulties, Member DeMers arrived via Zoom at 6:32 PM.

Present for the School Committee: Barry Desruisseaux, Chair; Arlene Liscinsky, Vice-Chair; David Shinnick, Member; Benjamin Casper, Member; Ed Maharay, Secretary; and, Aaron Lenart, Member.

2. BUSINESS

- a) Interview Candidates for School Committee

The following candidates were interviewed: Matt Keane – 6:30 PM, present via Zoom; Claudia Tamsky – 7:00 PM, present in person; Michael Dion – 7:30 PM, present in person.

School Committee candidates introduced themselves, provided a brief overview of their past experience, and why they wanted to be on the School Committee. The School Committee started with their round of questions for each candidate, followed by questions from the Board of Selectmen.

Questions from the School Committee consisted of: why candidates wanted to join and what they planned to accomplish; relevant and applicable skills; best ways to address differences between the staff and administration; how best to support the growing community of bilingual learners; what a high functioning school district looks like and needs (aside from numerical data,); what the biggest opportunities in the District may be; how the School Committee should interact with the Superintendent and Administration; and, candidates were asked about a risk they've taken and the result of that risk.

Board of Selectmen questions consisted of: what the major issues or challenges in the district are; what makes each candidate the best option for the open seat; if candidates would remain on the School Committee and serve a full year term until the next election; candidates' perspective on the School Committee policy book and what possible changes to that are most important; how to hold individuals accountable; and, a comment of Thanks to the candidates for volunteering their time.

- b) Discussion & Vote Candidates

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School Committee Ballot Form

Please place an X in the position block for the candidate of your choosing. The candidate with the most points will be the BOS/School Committee joint appointee to the School Committee.

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CLAUDIA TAMSKY – 7:00 PM	
MICHAEL DION – 7:30 PM	

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CLAUDIA TAMSKY – 7:00 PM	<input type="checkbox"/>
MICHAEL DION – 7:30 PM	<input type="checkbox"/>

John Wise

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Dave Skinnick

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