

Uxbridge School Committee Meeting

January 4, 2023

5:00pm

Uxbridge High School Library and via Zoom

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Attendees:	Present	Not Present
Patrick Tuer, Chair	X	
Christine Pezzullo, Vice Chair	X	
Barry Desruisseaux, Member	X	
Tiffany Bashaw, Member	X	
Jonathan Rota, Member	X	

1. Call to Order 5:03 pm by Chair Pat Tuer

2. Public Comment

Board of Selectman Member John Wise voiced concern over turnover in the Superintendent role and on the School Committee; indicated a desire to have an official job offer made to Interim Superintendent Michael Baldassarre.

3. DECA Field Trip

Motion to approve the DECA field trip, as presented at the December 21, 2022 meeting, by Barry Desruisseaux, seconded by Jonathan Rota. Vote: 5-0 Approved. (JR-Y, TB-Y, BD-Y, CP-Y, PT-Y)

4. FY24 Budget Presentation and Discussion

Some of the issues being considered in development of budget are an increase in SPED costs, the bus transportation bid negotiations, and SEL issues post-Covid.

Administration is following budget goals when creating budget; using a needs based methodology and acknowledging changes in leadership and student population.

Total number of students in district is down, while the number of students with challenges in learning (ELL, SPED, economically disadvantaged) has increased.

The School Committee was reminded that changes in the Chapter 70 funding formula, Circuit Breaker, and transportation costs will not be available until later in the budget cycle than normal.

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The FY24 budget currently does not recognize any fees as a funding source.

Business Manager Don Aicardi reviewed the FY23 actual appropriation and the FY24 budget proposal, including the General Fund (Operating Budget), alternate funding, and total operating costs.

Chair Pat Tuer requested a breakdown of the full time employee needs listed in the proposed budget, with the reason for the need outlined.

The proposed budget will become available to the public on January 5th; in two weeks, on Wednesday, January 18th, there will be a public hearing on the formal budget.

5. Executive Session

Motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to non-union personnel, with no new business to follow by Barry Desruisseaux, seconded by Christine Pezzullo. Vote: 5-0 Approved. (JR-Y, TB-Y, BD-Y, CP-Y, PT-Y)

Meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 6:16pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Deirdre Thomson

Recording Secretary

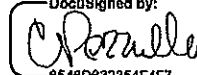
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