

DRAFT - UXBRIDGE SCHOOL COMMITTEE**Sept 5th, 2023****Uxbridge High School @ 6:00 PM****School Committee Members in Attendance:**

	Present	Absent
Mr. Barry Desruisseaux, Chair	X	
Ms. Arlene Liscinsky, Vice-Chair	X	
Mr. Ed Maharay, Clerk		X
Mr. Ben Casper	X	
Mr. David Shinnick	X	
Mr. Aaron Lenart	X	
Mr. Michael Dion	X	

• Call to order

Mr. Desruisseaux called the meeting to order.

Motion to move safety driveway out of order- motion made by Arlene second by Ben Casper 6-0

• Emergency Access

Barry explains a history on secondary emergency access to the school. Mike Rubin made his commentary regarding his concern of safety in the current situation and that he also feels that a new entrance / exit could potentially be a better option. Mike Baldassarre had asked that the school committee endorse looking at another access option as presented so he can mention at the next safety committee meeting.

~~Motion was made to direct Dr. Baldassarre to present the plan presented to safety committee.~~

Motion made by Arlene second by Ben Casper 6-0

• Superintendent Update

Dr. Baldassarre discussed the great news of opening day and the kickoff event with teachers and staff. Principals said that parent participation had doubled on opening day. There was only one issue on opening day and that was because a child who was getting dropped off by the bus did not have a parent to pick them up but that issue has been resolved. A lot of the teachers were happy to see the new flooring over at Taft. White school had a great day with no issues. High School also had a great day with no issues. All new kitchen equipment is being finished being installed. The only issue among the district were some busting issues because not all children were able to ride the bus due to the bus company had a waiting list. Dr. Baldassarre and his team

hired another van to pick up the rest of the children that are on the waiting list so that issue has been resolved.

Vacancies in the district- although we do have vacancies in our district we are better off than other districts nearby but we are still looking for new hires.

Food service director is currently being interviewed.

The site coordinator for the 21st century Grant there has only been one applicant. Mike has reached out to the state for help with change in the job description to attract more people.

Jennifer Toth spoke about the open positions for special education. Arlene had mentioned internships with local colleges to help fill those positions.

Classroom sizes-Dr. Baldassarre wanted to discuss the successes of Uxbridge and how our classroom sizes are going to benefit the education of the children because our classroom sizes are on the low side. Jen Toth discussed the Pre-K classroom sizes and the need for staff and more classrooms in order to maintain the services that we currently offer in Uxbridge

● **Director of Finance & Operations**

Motion to approve Charlie Obremski for the director of finance and operation position. Motion made by Mike Dion second by Arlene 6-0

● **Unit D Negotiations**

Dr. Baldassarre gave an update that the contract negotiating team would be starting on September 11th negotiating with unity unit D

● **Parent Square**

Jessica discussed parent square with all the options and how it offers benefits to the teachers and the parents for real-time information

● **BCBA Job Description**

Dr. Baldassarre explained the position of a BCBA and that there is currently no job description for that position and we need one in place. Motion to approve BCBA job description by Mike Dion second by Aaron 6-0

● **Calendar Revised**

Revised needed to update our calendar of meetings due to the MASC event on the same day. Motion made to revise the calendar by Ben Casper second by Arlene 6-0

● **New Business**

David had asked that we maintain a level of meeting access through zoom or Google meets


● **Minutes**

Motion to approve minutes for August 5th motion made by Ben Casper second by Mike Dion 6-0

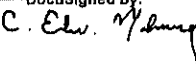
• **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Mike Dion second by Ben Casper 6-0


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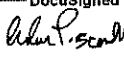
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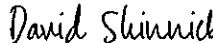
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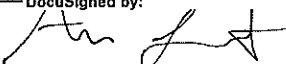
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