

Uxbridge School Committee Meeting

February 3, 2021

6:30pm

(Meeting via Zoom platform)

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Attendees:	Present	Not Present
Matt Keane, Chair	X	
Paul Paulino, Secretary	X	
Kim Cirrone, Member	X	
Brett Pomeroy, Member		X
Holly Black, Member	X (left after Executive Session)	
Debbie Stark, Member	X	

- 1. Call to Order 6:33pm by Matt Keane**
- 2. Public Comment:**

Matt Keane shared the School Committee's condolences to the Pomeroy Family for their loss.

Matt Keane read the attached emails advocating for students to fully return to the school buildings for in-person learning.

Matt Keane read the attached email with questions about how notifications for positive Covid cases in the district are being shared, and concern about communication methods.

Leanne DeMarco, Principal at Whitin School, spoke in support of the development of a softball field at Uxbridge High School for girls' softball players.

Debbie Stark shared appreciation for Administration and Staff of all schools for their hard work and commitment towards getting students back in the school buildings.

- 3. Executive Session**

Motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss Union Contract negotiations, Non-Union Contract negotiations, and the Superintendent Contract by Debbie Stark, seconded by Kim Cirrone. Vote: 5-0. Approved.

- 4. Superintendent Update**

Dr. Tiano outlined and explained tools and processes used to assess student achievement and social-emotional data tracking.

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Differences were described between Tier 1, Tier II, and Tier III interventions, and where they each tie into the budget items.

Jenn Bellville, Principal at Taft, gave examples of how the data is used and the type of intervention that might be offered/used based on that data.

Curriculum Director Wendy Phillips shared an update on the new tutoring program that was implemented; program is provided to students while they are remote learning. Currently has 3 paid tutors with volunteer tutors also coming on board.

There is a Pre-K social skills camp being planned for April (school vacation week) and June.

The ESSER II grant money (\$947,003) that has been awarded will provide opportunities through the end of the school year and into the summer with interventions, social skills development, and counseling needs. It will be used over a 2-year period during which student needs are continually assessed.

5. 2021-2022 School Calendar

Dr. Tiano presented the 2021-2022 School Calendar to the Committee for a first read, highlighting number of days, staff professional development, and holidays.

Motion to accept Uxbridge Public Schools 2021-2022 School Calendar in first reading by Debbie Stark, seconded by Kim Cirrone. Vote: 4-0. Approved.

6. FY22 Budget

Administration has a meeting with Town Manager February 4th for recommendations regarding development of budget. Committee will receive update to be able to proactively suggest or approve budget expenditures.

Uxbridge Public Schools is a minimum aid district; more Chapter 70 money will be received next year despite decreased student enrollment.

Recommendation that town include softball transportation in the operating budget for next year.

7. Old/New Business

New Business

Budget FY22

FY21 Update

Hybrid model discussion

Building Committee timeline/due date confirmation

UHS Athletic proposal

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Next meeting date change: proposed February 24th

8. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn by Debbie Stark, seconded by Paul Paulino. Vote: 4-0. Approved.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Matthew Keane

Matthew Keane, Chair

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Paul Paulino, Secretary

Kim Cirrone

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Kim Cirrone, Member

Deb Stark, Member

Holly Black, Member

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Brett Pomeroy, Member

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