

**Uxbridge School Committee Meeting**

**November 18, 2020**

**6:30pm**

**(Meeting via Zoom platform)**

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<b>Attendees:</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Not Present</b>
Matt Keane, Chair	X	
Erik Voight, Vice Chair		X
Paul Paulino, Secretary	X	
Kim Cirrone, Member	X	
Brett Pomeroy, Member	X	
Holly Black, Member	X	
Debbie Stark, Member	X (joined late)	

1. Call to Order 6:30pm by Matt Keane
2. Public Comment:

Matt Keane read the attached email regarding a return to full in-person learning model in all Uxbridge schools.

Paul Paulino thanked Principal Rubin, Assistant Principal DiMeglio, and the staff at Uxbridge High School for the tour and welcome.

3. Business Update

**FY21 Update**

Business Manager Brian Hyde shared an update and answered questions on FY21 numbers including budget to actual, grants, food service, and the Uxbridge Extended Day program.

Extended Day program is suffering loss in revenue due to decreased enrollment.

Committee discussed possibility of raising tuition for program; requests Administration put together options for how losses can be recouped, as Committee is not in favor of sustaining losses through remainder of school year.

**FY22 Budget discussion**

Brett Pomeroy shared that previous years' budgets are being automated in order to be used to assist with current budget development.

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Key issues being considered include staffing (need for 8 new positions) and technology & software.

Brian Hyde reminded committee that the current Capitol Projects improvement plan that was just approved is what will be included in FY22 budget.

Next Budget Subcommittee meeting is December 2<sup>nd</sup>; Dr. Tiano will present budget on January 6<sup>th</sup>.

#### **4. Superintendent Update**

Dr. Tiano shared an update on the High School lights project, including costs (for materials and labor), fundraising efforts, and completion of the site plan by the facilities department.

Committee and Administration will discuss usage of field to generate revenue for maintenance.

Matt Keane will reach out to Tim Devlin regarding Boosters' needs from School Committee.

#### **Hybrid Learning Survey Update**

Dr. Tiano recapped the situation from earlier in the week that required district to go full remote for Monday.

The plan for first grade students to return to school buildings is still on track, just delayed due to increased case numbers.

All cleaning protocols, including disinfecting each building every night, are still being adhered to.

Administration has created a webpage with a Covid 19 dashboard; it shared process of how decisions are made and what contact tracing procedures are, and the current number of positive cases in the district.

Nurse Becky Padula shared that Uxbridge has been chosen by the state to participate in Binex Now Antigen testing program; this will allow for immediate on-site testing of teachers. Testing will be used for both staff and students (with permission of parents). More information on roll-out of program will be shared in the next few weeks.

Nursing staff has sent announcements and reminders regarding need for flu shot documentation. Student(s) cannot return to school in January without documentation.

#### **5. Superintendent Search**

Proposals from two search firms have been considered.

Matt Keane reviewed costs from each firm, and veteran School Committee members shared positive feedback from experience working with one of the firms on a previous Superintendent search.

Motion to engage Massachusetts Association of School Committees as a vendor of choice for Superintendent search by Holly Black, seconded by Paul Paulino. Vote: 6-0. Approved.

6. Old/New Business

New Business:

Request for recap on Special Education process with remote students, and feedback from SEPAC.

7. Executive Session

Motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss Union Contract Negotiations by Brett Pomeroy, seconded by Paul Paulino. Vote: 6-0. Approved.

8. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:29pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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*Matthew Keane*

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Matthew Keane, Chair

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Paul Paulino, Member

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Holly Black, Member

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