



## **URBANA SCHOOL DISTRICT #116**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
STUDY SESSION MINUTES**

**JEAN F. BURKHOLDER  
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER**

205 North Race St. Urbana, IL 61801

Tuesday, December 2, 2014

7:30 p.m.

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*The mission of Urbana School District 116, a multi-cultural community committed to educational excellence, is to ensure that all learners acquire knowledge, develop skills, and build character to achieve personal greatness and help create a better global society, by providing innovative, comprehensive programs, respecting individual learning styles and cultural differences, and fostering caring and nurturing relationships, while engaging each student, every family and the entire community.*

Mr. John H. Dimit, President

Ms. Ruth Ann Fisher, Secretary

Ms. Elaine Gehrmann, Member

Mr. Paul Poulosky, Member

Dr. Donald D. Owen, Superintendent

Ms. Benita Rollins-Gay, Vice-President

Ms. Brenda Carter, Member

Ms. Peggy Patten, Member

Ms. Lori Johnson, Board Secretary

### **1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

***President Dimit reconvened the meeting from an executive session prior to the meeting at 7:36 p.m.***

### **2.0 ROLL CALL**

Present:

John H. Dimit, President

Benita Rollins-Gay, Vice-President

Ruth Ann Fisher, Secretary

Brenda Carter, Member

Elaine Gehrmann, Member

Peggy Patten, Member

Paul Poulosky, Member

Also Present:

Donald D. Owen, Superintendent

Jennifer Ivory-Tatum, Deputy Superintendent

Gayle Jeffries, Asst Supt of Human Resources

Carol Baker, Chief Financial Officer

Ota Dossett, Director of Facilities Services

### **3.0 ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS AND MODIFICATION OF AGENDA**

There is no need for an executive session after the current meeting.

### **4.0 CITIZEN STATEMENTS**

### **5.0 CALL FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION (after current meeting)**

There will be an executive session after the current meeting for the purpose of: The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

## **6.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*Member Poulosky moved to approve the agenda, withdrawing item 5.0, seconded by Vice-President Rollins-Gay. Motion passed.*

## **7.0 ADMINISTRATIVE BRIEFINGS AND REPORT**

### **7.01 Volo Broadband Agreement**

Superintendent Owen presented and recommended an agreement with Volo to provide additional back up connectivity to the schools. Action will be requested at the December 16 Business meeting.

## **8.0 PUBLIC HEARING**

## **9.0 ACTION ITEMS (individual/consent)**

## **10.0 STUDY TOPICS**

### **10.01 Early Career and College Agreement Proposal**

Matthew Stark, Principal, Urbana High School, discussed and presented the early career and college agreement with Parkland Community College. A proposal will be brought back to the Board of Education for approval at a later date.

### **10.02 ConnectED Summit in Washington, D.C.**

Superintendent Owen presented information about his recent trip to Washington, D.C. to attend the ConnectED Summit.

## **11.0 CALL FOR FUTURE SPECIAL/EXECUTIVE MEETINGS**

## **12.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

## **13.0 BOARD REPORT**

## **14.0 ADJOURNMENT**

*Vice-President Rollins-Gay moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Member Carter. Motion passed.*

*President Dimit declared the meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.*

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Vice-President

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Secretary