



URBANA SCHOOL DISTRICT #116

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

MINUTES

JEAN F. BURKHOLDER

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER

205 North Race St. Urbana, IL 61801

Tuesday, August 18, 2009

7:30 p.m.

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Our mission is the Urbana School District #116, through the active engagement of the community, is to provide a quality education by vigorously fostering high expectations for individual growth within a nurturing and just environment, enabling each student to become a self-sufficient, productive, caring, and responsible member of a changing world society.

Mr. John H. Dimit, President
Ms. Benita Rollins-Gay, Vice-President
Ms. Ruth Ann Fisher, Secretary
Ms. Brenda Carter, Member
Ms. Elaine Gehrmann, Member
Ms. Peggy Patten, Member
Mr. Steve Summers, Member
Dr. Preston L. Williams, Jr., Superintendent
Ms. Lori Johnson, Board Secretary

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

President Dimit called the meeting to order following an executive session at 7:34 p.m.

2.0 ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. John Dimit, President
Ms. Benita Rollins-Gay, Vice-President
Ms. Ruth Ann Fisher, Secretary
Ms. Brenda Carter, Member
Ms. Elaine Gehrmann, Member
Ms. Peggy Patten, Member
Mr. Steve Summers, Member

Also Present: Dr. Preston L. Williams, Jr., Superintendent
Mr. Don Owen, Asst Supt of Curriculum and Instruction
Ms. Susan Baker-Ory, Asst Supt of Special Services
Ms. Gayle Jeffries, Asst Supt of Human Resources
Ms. Carol Baker, Director of Business
Mr. Ota Dossett, Director of Facilities and Grounds

3.0 ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS AND MODIFICATIONS OF AGENDA

4.0 CITIZENS STATEMENTS - None

5.0 CALL FOR EXECUTIVE MEETING/SESSION (AFTER CURRENT MEETING)

6.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Vice-President Rollins-Gay moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Secretary Fisher. Motion passed.

7.0 COMMENDATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

The following teams earned the IHSA Team Academic Achievement Award (a 3.0 cumulative GPA or higher on a 4.0 scale) in the 2008-09 school year: girls tennis, boys golf, girls cross country, girls swimming, baseball, boys tennis, girls soccer, and softball.

The following teachers are recipients of a CUSF SPLASH Grant: **Prairie** – Nechele Johnson; **Leal** – Gail Beck, Katheryn Plotner; **King** – Linda Darr; **UMS** – Laura Hlinka, Melissa Kearns, Rachel Hurliman; **UHS** – Chris Cox, Julie Erlinger, Erin Ludwick, Beth Hogan, and Carol Casbeer.

8.0 PUBLIC HEARING

9.0 COMMUNICATIONS

10.0 REPORTS

10.01 First Reading of Policies and Procedures

Susan Baker-Ory, Assistant Superintendent of Special Services, presented *Policies and Procedures Assuring the Implementation of comprehensive Programming for Children with Disabilities* to the Board of Education for a first reading. This updated policy brings the district in alignment with the *Illinois rules and Regulation to Govern the Organization and Administration of Special Education*. Approval will be requested at the September 15, 2009 business meeting.

11.0 ACTION ITEMS (Consent)

Member Carter moved to approve the following consent action items, seconded by Vice-President Rollins Gay. On a roll call vote, all members present voted “aye.”

11.01 Minutes

Business Meeting, June 16, 2009
Special Meeting, July 1, 2009

11.02 July Bills/Checks (advanced approval granted during June 16th mtg)

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|---|----------------|
| Education Fund bill..... | \$2,262,050.25 |
| Operating & Maintenance Fund bills..... | \$ 160,718.21 |
| Bond & Interest Fund bills..... | \$ 0.00 |
| Transportation Fund bills..... | \$ 103,413.09 |

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| Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund bills..... | \$ 65,003.18 |
| Capital Project Fund 2009 | \$ 124,455.20 |
| Construction Fund bills W/C | \$ 0.00 |
| Fire Prevention and Safety Bonds..... | \$ 0.00 |
| Fire Prevention and Safety (Levy)..... | \$ 4,768.20 |
| Payroll..... | \$2,427,327.27 |

August Bills/Checks

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| Education Fund bill..... | \$1,297,949.53 |
| Operating & Maintenance Fund bills..... | \$ 230,805.71 |
| Bond & Interest Fund bills..... | \$ 0.00 |
| Transportation Fund bills..... | \$ 53,640.12 |
| Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund bills..... | \$ 64,844.31 |
| Capital Project Fund 2009..... | \$ 300,474.37 |
| Construction Fund bills W/C | \$ 0.00 |
| Fire Prevention and Safety Bonds..... | \$ 0.00 |
| Fire Prevention and Safety (Levy)..... | \$ 50,620.76 |
| Payroll..... | \$2,432,980.95 |
| Adult Education (includes June, July, August)..... | \$ 239,890.67 |

11.03 Interfund Loans

The following interfund loans were repaid to the Working Cash Fund as of June 30, 2008:

| <u>Amount of Loan</u> | <u>Loan From</u> | <u>Loan To</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| \$1,600,000 | Working Cash Fund | Education Fund |
| \$ 200,000 | Working Cash Fund | Oper & Maint |

11.04 Personnel Items

Approval of various personnel items were requested.

12.0 ACTION ITEMS (Individual)

12.01 Gifts

Vivian Petrotte, Urbana, donated a Bach E66920, trumpet, to the Urbana Middle School Band Program. This donation was valued at \$500.

American Analytical Chemistry Laboratory Corp, Champaign, donated \$250 to Washington Early Childhood School's Carnival.

Ricardo Chavez, Urbana, donated an upright piano to Urbana High School Music Department. This donation was valued at \$500.

Ron and Sandra Moody, Normal, donated a 14" viola, bow, case, and music to Urbana School District's Music Program. This donation was valued at \$575.

Scott and Karen McKinley, Severna Park, MD, donated a large variety of Lego's to Yankee Ridge Elementary. The McKinley's did a search by googling "lego donations" and came across Yankee Ridge's program. The value of this donation was valued at \$500.

Member Summers moved to accept and approve the above gifts, seconded by Secretary Fisher. Motion passed.

13.0 CALL FOR FUTURE SPECIAL/EXECUTIVE MEETINGS

14.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

15.0 BOARD REPORT

The board requested to arrange a time for a Board of Education Retreat. It was decided on September 29th and if needed September 30th.

16.0 ADJOURNMENT

Secretary Fisher moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vice-President Rollins-Gay. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "aye."

President Dimit declared the meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

President

Secretary