



URBANA SCHOOL DISTRICT #116
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MINUTES

JEAN F. BURKHOLDER
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER
205 North Race St. Urbana, IL 61801
Tuesday, September 1, 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 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 ADMINISTRATIVE BRIEFINGS AND REPORTS

8.0 PUBLIC HEARING

8.01 Public Hearing of the FY10 District Budget

Public hearing on the 2009-2010 budget was held.

The public hearing was opened for public comment at 7:35 p.m., with no comment, the hearing closed at 7:36 p.m.

8.02 Public Hearing of the FY10 Adult Education Budget

Public hearing on the 2009-2010 Adult Education budget was held.

The public hearing was opened for public comment at 7:36 p.m., with no comment, the hearing closed at 7:37 p.m.

9.0 ACTION ITEMS

10.0 STUDY TOPICS

10.01 FY10 Budget

Carol Baker, Director of Business, presented the FY10 budget to the Board of Education.

The budget runs a deficit due to state aid being cut. Superintendent, Dr. Preston L. Williams, Jr., warned the board that federal "stimulus" money had helped tide the Illinois State Board of Education over for this year, but the stimulus money will be gone by 2011. Dr. Williams advised the board that District 116 "is beyond belt tightening." Dr. Williams further said that the school board will have to make hard choices during the next budget process.

10.02 Summer Work Update

Ota Dossett, Director of Facilities and Grounds, reviewed the summer work projects with the Board of Education.

11.0 CALL FOR FUTURE SPECIAL/EXECUTIVE MEETINGS

12.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

13.0 BOARD'S REPORT

14.0 ADJOURNMENT

Member Patten moved to adjourn the meeting to tour the following schools: King Elementary, Thomas Paine Elementary, Wiley Elementary, and Urbana High School, seconded by Vice-President Rollins-Gay.

President Dimit declared the meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

President

Secretary