



URBANA SCHOOL DISTRICT #116

BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

**JEAN F. BURKHOLDER
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER**

205 North Race St. Urbana, IL 61801

Tuesday, January 17, 2012

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. Preston L. Williams, Jr., 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 executive session at 7:33 p.m.

2.0 ROLL CALL

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

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

3.0 ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS AND MODIFICATIONS OF AGENDA

There will be an executive session will be continued after the current meeting.

4.0 CITIZENS STATEMENTS

Ada Stamper, Urbana

Charles Stamper, Urbana

Dual Language Program

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David Stramecky, Urbana
Samantha Gavin-Rosaliano, Urbana

Redistricting and dual-language programs.
Dual Language program implementation in
Urbana School District 116

5.0 CALL FOR EXECUTIVE MEETING/SESSION (After current meeting)

Continuation for the purpose of: the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for 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

Vice-President Rollins-Gay moved to approve the agenda as modified, seconded by Member Carter. Motion Passed.

7.0 COMMENDATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

8.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

8.01 National Mentoring Month

Barbara Linder, Mentor/Volunteer Coordinator, gave the Board of Education a report about mentoring and community involvement.

8.02 Summer School Opportunities

Donald Owen, Asst. Supt of Curriculum and Instruction, updated the Board of Education regarding summer school opportunities.

9.0 COMMUNICATIONS

10.0 PUBLIC HEARING

10.01 Public Hearing on Modification of School Calendar to Include Certain Holidays as Student Attendance Days

A public hearing was held as required by Illinois School Code 105 ILCS 5/24-2 to allow the district to use the following state holidays as school attendance or staff development days for the 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 school year: Lincoln's Birthday (Feb.12), Casimir Pulaski Day (first Monday in March)

President Dimit opened the public hearing, at 8:21 p.m., with no public comment, President Dimit closed the public hearing at 8:23 p.m.

11.0 ACTION ITEMS (Consent)

Member Patten moved to approve the consent action items, seconded by Member Poulosky. On a roll call, all members present voted "aye."

11.01 Minutes

December 13, 2012, Business Meeting
January 3, 2012, Study Session

11.02 *December Bills/Checks

*December bills approved in advance during the December 13, 2011 business meeting.

Education Fund Bills	\$ 1,774,984.90
Operations & Maintenance Fund Bills	\$ 182,013.76
Bond & Interest Fund Bills	\$ 0.00
Transportation Fund Bills	\$ 433,070.66
II Municipal Retirement Fund	\$ 0.00
Capital Project 2010 Fund	\$ 31,595.00
UIAC Fund	\$ 0.00
Life Safety Levy	\$ 1,200.00
School Facility Occup Tax	\$ 139,517.27
Facility Sales Tax Projects	\$ 447,556.28
TORT	\$ 51,221.53
Capital Projects – Debt Certif	\$ 0.00
Payroll	\$ 2,833,224.89

January Bills/Checks

Education Fund Bills	\$ 1,503,418.85
Operations & Maintenance Fund Bills	\$ 137,294.47
Bond & Interest Fund Bills	\$ 0.00
Transportation Fund Bills	\$ 288,379.47
II Municipal Retirement Fund	\$ 0.00
Capital Project 2010 Fund	\$ 44,509.66
UIAC Fund	\$ 0.00
Life Safety Levy	\$ 570.00
School Facility Occup Tax	\$ 11,750.12
Facility Sales Tax Projects	\$ 1,019,062.36
Capital Projects – Debt Certif	\$ 174,012.20
TORT	\$ 13,819.75
Payroll	\$ 2,505,661.62
Adult Education	\$ 116,399.84

11.03 Interfund Loans

The following interfund loans were required to cover the necessary operating costs of the school district:

<u>Amount of Loan</u>	<u>Loan From</u>	<u>Loan To</u>
\$ 100,000	Working Cash Fund	Tort Fund

11.04 Personnel Items

Approval of various personnel items were requested.

12.0 ACTION ITEMS (Individual)

12.01 Gifts

Bud Mesker, Urbana, donated a bike, valued at \$500, to the ASSIST Program.

Tim Brenner, Pheasants Forever, donated \$500 to FFA.

Wells Fargo made two donations totaling \$420 to Urbana High School. This donation was done through their employee gift matching program, through employee Douglas Laz.

Lee Graham, Houston, Texas, donated \$100 to Urbana High School.

Urbana VFW, donated \$400 to the Urbana Middle School volleyball account.

Starr Dalton, Urbana American Legion Auxiliary donated numerous pairs of gloves that were distributed to all the elementary buildings.

Center for Prevention Research & Development, University of Illinois, donated 10 reams of cover stock, 30 reams of colored paper, and 4 boxes of small and medium binder clips, valued at \$380.

The Gremer Family, donated \$2,500 to the Athletic Department in honor of the late John Gremer.

Vice-President Rollins-Gay moved to approve and accept the above gifts, seconded by Member Carter. Motion passed.

12.02 Approval of Dual Language Model

Joe Wiemelt, Director of Bilingual & Multicultural Programs, requested approval of moving to a Dual Language Model at the elementary level.

Member Gehrman moved to approve the recommendation that we move from a TBE to a Dual Language Program henceforth, seconded by Vice-President Rollins-Gay.

Member Gehrman moved to have a second and possibly a third strand be implemented at a sister school, seconded by Member Patten. Voice vote: motion passed 6 "aye", 1 "abstained."

Member Poulosky moved to empower a board sub-committee to meet with Joe and Don and whoever else in central office to come up with a recommendation for the placement of the strands, and then come back to a special board meeting prior to the February 2nd deadline for the Re-Districting committee to meet with the RPC. Seconded by EGehrman.

Member Poulosky then amended his motion: to empower a sub-committee of the board to come up with a recommendation for the placement of the strands for the Dual Language Programs to present to the board at an open meeting on January 30, 2012. Seconded by Member Patten. Motion passed.

13.0 CALL FOR FUTURE SPECIAL/EXECUTIVE MEETINGS

14.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

15.0 BOARD REPORT

16.0 ADJOURNMENT

Member Poulosky moved to adjourn back into closed session, seconded by Secretary Fisher. On a roll call, all members present voted "aye."

President Dimit declared the meeting adjourned to executive session with a 5 minute recess at 10:17 p.m.

President

Secretary