



## **URBANA SCHOOL DISTRICT #116**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

**JEAN F. BURKHOLDER**

**ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER**

205 North Race St. Urbana, IL 61801

Tuesday, March 27, 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 called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.**

### **2.0 ROLL CALL**

Present: John H. Dimit, President  
Benita Rollins-Gay, Vice-President  
Ruth Ann Fisher, Secretary  
Brenda Carter, Board Member (7:34 p.m.)  
Elaine Gehrmann, Board Member  
Peggy Patten, Board Member  
Paul Poulosky, Board Member

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

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

Item #12.03 was moved to take place after 9.0 Communications.

#### 4.0 CITIZENS STATEMENTS

Ronda Coleman, Urbana	School Re-Districting
Pam Olson, Urbana	Re-Districting
Alina Paul, Urbana	Changing School Districts
Mark Moody, Urbana	Moving of my children out of our school
Sue Moody, Urbana	moving or our children out of our school
Derek J. Gatewood, Urbana	Re-districting Schools
Rebecca Gatewood, Urbana	Re-districting
Venkatesh Yekkirala, Urbana	School Re-districting Plans
Eric Beetz, Urbana	Re-Districting
James Quisenberry, Urbana	Attendance Boundary Map
Lynda Minor, Urbana	Re-districting/balancing socio-economics across elem schools
Rev. Melinda Carr, Champaign	Boundaries
Kanittha Fay, Urbana	Diversity
Jill Blanck, Urbana	

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

There was 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 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).

Collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).

#### 6.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

*Member Carter moved to approve the agenda as modified, seconded by Member Poulosky. Motion passed.*

#### 7.0 COMMENDATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

#### 8.0 PUBLIC HEARING

#### 9.0 COMMUNICATIONS

*As modified –*

##### **#12.03 Elementary Attendance Boundary Map**

Board of Education continued discussion of the re-districting committee. Recommendation, presented March 13, 2012. Approval was requested for a new elementary attendance boundary map.

*Vice-President Rollins-Gay moved to approve Map(option) 1, seconded by*

**Member Patten. Motion passed with a 5/2 vote. President Dimit then discharged the committee.**

**10.0 REPORTS**

**10.01 EEOC Report**

Gayle Jeffries, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources presented the Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Report 2012 to the Board of Education.

**11.0 ACTION ITEMS (Consent)**

***Vice-President Rollins-Gay moved to approve the consent action items as listed below, seconded by Member Poulosky. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "aye."***

**11.01 Minutes**

February 21, 2012, Business Meeting  
March 6, 2012, Study Session  
March 13, 2012, Special Meeting

**11.02 March Bills/Checks (advanced approval was received 2/21/12)**

Education Fund Bills	\$ 1,585,701.25
Operations & Maintenance Fund Bills	\$ 161,087.35
Bond & Interest Fund Bills	\$ 0.00
Transportation Fund Bills	\$ 197,294.65
Capital Project 2010	\$ 2,900.00
UIAC Fund	\$ 0.00
School Facility Occupation Tax	\$ 18,357.05
Life Safety Levy	\$ 69,240.00
Facility Sales Tax Projects	\$ 442,167.29
Capital Projects – Debt Certif.	\$ 0.00
TORT	\$ 40,675.49
Payroll	\$ 3,151,725.09

**11.03 Interfund Loans**

The following interfund loans were required to cover the necessary operating costs of the school district until the next meeting of the Board of Education:

<u>Amount of Loan</u>	<u>Loan From</u>	<u>Loan To</u>
\$ 200,000	Working Cash Fund	O & M Fund
\$ 100,000	Working Cash Fund	Trans Fund

**11.04 Personnel Items**

Approval of various personnel items were requested.

## 12.0 ACTION ITEMS (individual)

### 12.01 Gifts

Sarah Cardiff, Urbana, donated an Alto Saxophone, valued at \$150, to Urbana High School Band Department.

Ada and Charles Stamper, Urbana, donated an 8 inch LCD digital photo frame valued at \$100, to Washington Early Childhood's office area.

Craig Bethke, Urbana, donated two nylon golf bags with 21 clubs, valued at \$200, to Urbana High School golf team and Physical Education Department.

Chapman and Cutler, LLP, Chicago, donated \$500 to benefit Urbana School District through the Champaign-Urbana Schools Foundation.

Wells Fargo, donated \$180 to Urbana High School as part of their employee (Douglas Laz) matching gift program.

Urbana High School, received an anonymous gift through DonorsChoose.org. Ms. Liz Martinez's French class received 15 McDougal Littell Discovery French Nouveau books, valued at \$1,125.

*Member Poulosky moved to approve and accept the above gifts, seconded by Member Carter. Motion passed.*

### 12.02 Revised Resolution Authorizing Honorable Dismissal of Educational Support Personnel

The administration recommended approval of a revised resolution authorizing honorable dismissal of educational support personnel.

*Member Poulosky moved to approve item #12.02, seconded by Secretary Fisher. Motion passed.*

### 12.03 Elementary Attendance Boundary Map

Board of Education will continue discussion of the re-districting committee report presented each 30 days prior to the meeting for a new elementary attendance boundary map.

## 13.0 CALL FOR FUTURE SPECIAL/EXECUTIVE MEETINGS

## 14.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

## 15.0 BOARD REPORT

## 16.0 ADJOURNMENT

*Member Patten moved to adjourn the meeting to executive session, seconded by Secretary Fisher.*

***President Dimit declared the meeting adjourned to executive session after a five minute recess, at 9:45 p.m.***

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President

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Secretary