

**MINUTES
STUDY SESSION
URBANA BOARD OF EDUCATION
JEAN F. BURKHOLDER
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER
October 4, 2005
7:30 P.M.**

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

President Hudson called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

2.0 ROLL CALL

Present: Ms. Joyce Hudson, President
Mr. John Dimit, Vice-President
Mr. Mark Netter, Secretary
Ms. Ruth Ann Fisher, Secretary Pro Tem
Ms. Cope Cumpston, Board Member
Ms. Benita Rollins-Gay, Board Member
Mr. Steve Summers, Board Member

Also Present: Dr. Gene Amberg, Superintendent
Dr. Preston Williams, Deputy Superintendent
Ms. Carol Baker, Director of Business
Ms. Susan Baker-Ory, Director of Special Services
Mr. Ota Dossett, Director of Facilities
Ms. Carmelita Thomas, Director of Human Resources

3.0 ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS AND MODIFICATION OF AGENDA

4.0 CALL FOR EXECUTIVE MEETING/SESSION (After Current Meeting)

5.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

6.0 ADMINISTRATIVE BRIEFINGS AND REPORTS

7.0 ACCOMODATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

Ms. Laura Taylor, Urbana High School, Assistant Principal, presented Letitia Onyango with a certificate to acknowledging her academic achievements.

Urbana High School recently received word that seven seniors have made the status *Commended Student* in the 2006 National Merit Scholarship Program. These students are recognized for their exceptional academic promise demonstrated by their outstanding performance on the qualifying test used for the program entry. The seven seniors are: **David Burns, Fan Huang, Cole Isenbarger, Sandra Olson, Jacob Rothschild, Emily Ward, and Jordan Whicker.**

8.0 PUBLIC HEARING

9.0 ACTION ITEMS (If necessary, consent/individual)

10.0 STUDY TOPIC(S)

10.01 District Students Health/Wellness Issues

The board heard different areas of expertise from the following people:

- **Charlene Stevens, RN, BSN**, Community Health Nurse - Champaign Urbana Public Health District
- **Justine Karduck, MS, RD, LDN**, Nutrition/Education Coordinator - University of Illinois McKinley Health Center
- **Joe Yaeger**, Manager, Co-Owner - iPower
- **Sara Wagner**, Regional Nutritionist - ARAMARK
- **Dr. Kimberly Glow**, Director, Urbana School Based Health Center

After much discussion between the panel and board members - the question still needs an answer - where do we go from here? what do we do to improve students physical well being? A 2004 federal law requires all public schools to create a local wellness policy by the beginning of the 2006-07 school year. There will be a committee designed to oversee this policy, made up of parents, students, representatives of ARAMARK, school board, school administrators, and the public. Through this committee, discussion will most likely look at steps to fix the problems the panel and the board discussed earlier.

11.0 CALL FOR FUTURE SPECIAL/EXECUTIVE MEETINGS

12.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

Vice-President Dimit moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Member Fisher. Motion passed.

President Hudson declared the meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

President

Secretary