

MINUTES
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
JEAN F. BURKHOLDER
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER
January 17, 2006
7:30 P.M.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

President Hudson called the meeting to order at 7:38 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
Mr. Steve Summer, Board Member

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

Absent: Ms. Benita Rollins-Gay, Board Member
Mr. Ota Dossett, Director of Facilities

3.0 ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS AND MODIFICATIONS OF AGENDA

4.0 CITIZENS STATEMENTS

Julie Pryde, Champaign Urbana Public Health Department, Urbana, offered her assistance and resources to the board of education and the curriculum committee - regarding the HIV/STD/Sexuality.

Colleen Cook, Champaign, asked the board to make every attempt to go to the upcoming February 15, 2006, special session and listen to those that will be expressing their concerns and wishes regarding a comprehensive sex education. The board told Ms. Cook that the board will indeed be there - since it is the board that arranged this special session. She wanted the board to know that more than likely there won't be as much opposition as one would think by allowing the students to have comprehensive sex education.

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

6.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Member Summers moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Secretary Netter. Motion passed.

7.0 COMMENDATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

Gary Apfelstadt, Science Teacher, UMS, received a grant to help support the fundamental costs of the Urbana Middle School WaterWorks Program over the next three years, from the Lumpkin Foundation.

8.0 SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

9.0 COMMUNICATIONS

10.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

10.01 Mentoring Update (January is National Mentoring Month)

Barbara Linder gave the Board of Education an overview of the One to One Mentoring Program. Also giving the Board of Education information regarding mentors in the Urbana schools were Lori Ellinger, Mentor Coordinator at Yankee Ridge Elementary, and Rev. Harold Davis, Executive Director of TALKS Mentoring Program. They all spoke of the positives they see with the students and that a continuing mentoring program in the schools is just one way to give these students an “extra” support and friendships.

10.02 Physical Development/Health Curriculum Committee Report

Members of the physical development/health committee presented their curriculum revision recommendation to the board. Jean Korder highlighted some of the charges the committee had and some revisions to the curriculum guide according to state standards. This is the first revision of the Physical Development/Health Curriculum since the adoption of the 1997 Illinois Learning Standards. The Physical Development/Health Curriculum will be discussed further at a special session to be held February 15, 2005.

11.0 ACTION ITEMS (Consent)

Vice-President Dimit moved to approve the following consent action items, seconded by Secretary Netter. On a roll call vote, all members present voted “aye”. Motion passed. Absent: Member Rollins-Gay.

11.01 Minutes

Business Meeting, December 13, 2005
Study Session, January 3, 2006

11.02

December Bills/Checks

Education Fund bills.....	\$ 678,467.16
Operating & Maintenance Fund bills.....	\$ 130,807.13
Bond & Interest Fund bills.....	\$ 0.00
Transportation Fund bills.....	\$ 202,567.76
Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund bills.....	\$ 65,262.20
Construction Fund bills.....	\$ 0.00
Fire Prevention and Safety Bonds.....	\$ 545.00
Fire Prevention and Safety (Levy).....	\$ 13,375.00
Payroll.....	\$2,249,315.57

January Bills/Checks

Education Fund bills.....	\$ 631,316.86
Operating & Maintenance Fund bills.....	\$ 113,443.26
Bond & Interest Fund bills.....	\$2,781,670.01
Transportation Fund bills.....	\$ 293,338.13
Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund bills.....	\$ 61,580.77
Construction Fund bills.....	\$ 0.00
Fire Prevention and Safety Bonds.....	\$ 2,642.50
Fire Prevention and Safety (Levy).....	\$ 6,236.00
Payroll.....	\$2,196,956.75
Adult Education Bills.....	\$ 151,386.38

11.03

Interfund Loans

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

From Working Cash Fund to Oper. & Maint. Fund	\$ 100,000
From Working Cash Fund to Education Fund	\$1,000,000
From Working Cash Fund to Tort Fund	\$ 200,000

11.04

Personnel Items

Approval of various personnel items was requested.

11.05

Approval of Worker’s Compensation Settlement

Approval was requested of the settlement of the worker’s compensation claim filed by Cherie Daube.

11.06

Xerographic Paper Bid

The paper bid opening was held on January 4, 2006. Administration requested approval to award the bid of \$16,213.12 to Unisource.

11.07

Approval of Bid Received for Sale of 1990 GMC Bus

On Wednesday, January 4, 2006, the bids for sale of the 1990 GMC Bus were opened. Administration recommended that the bid of \$701.00 made by Denny Zindars be accepted.

11.08 Approval of the 2006 Summer School Calendar

Summer School is scheduled to begin on Wednesday, June 7, 2006 and run through Thursday, July 20, 2006 for high school only. Classes will be held Monday through Thursday.

12.0 ACTION ITEMS (Individual)

12.01 Gifts

Vice-President Dimit moved to approve and accept the following gift, seconded by Secretary Netter. Motion passed.

The **Liu Family Trust**, Rowland Heights, CA, gave a very large monetary gift to Thomas Paine Elementary School. This gift was made in appreciation and gratitude to the faculty and staff on behalf of their children who attended Thomas Paine.

13.0 POLICY REVIEW

14.0 CALL FOR FUTURE SPECIAL/EXECUTIVE MEETINGS

15.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

16.0 ADJOURNMENT

Secretary Netter moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vice-President Dimit. Motion passed.

President Hudson declared the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

President

Secretary