

**MINUTES  
STUDY SESSION  
URBANA BOARD OF EDUCATION  
JEAN F. BURKHOLDER  
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER  
October 3, 2006  
7:30 P.M.**

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

President Hudson called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

**2.0 ROLL CALL**

Present: Ms. Joyce Hudson, President  
Mr. John Dimit, Vice-President (7:39 p.m.)  
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  
Mr. Ota Dossett, Director of Facilities  
Ms. Carmelita Thomas, Director of Human Resources

**3.0 ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS AND MODIFICATION OF AGENDA**

Item #9.04 was withdrawn from the agenda.

**4.0 CITIZENS STATEMENTS**

Amy Ando, Urbana, told the board that she was happy to see that the gifted education plan on the agenda.

Jason Liggett, was introduced as the new camera person and thanked by President Hudson.

**5.0 CALL FOR EXECUTIVE MEETING/SESSION (After Current Meeting)**

**6.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*Secretary Netter, moved to approve the modified agenda, seconded by Member Rollins-Gay. Motion passed.*

**7.0 ADMINISTRATIVE BRIEFINGS AND REPORTS**

**8.0 POLICY REVIEW**

**8.01 First Reading of Foreign Language and Math Curriculum Guides**

The board was given for their first reading, the Foreign Language and Math Curriculum Guides. Approval will be requested at the October 17, 2006 business meeting.

**9.0 ACTION ITEMS (Consent/Individual)**

**9.01 Personnel Items**

Approval of various personnel items was requested.

**9.02 Approval to Submit Application for Recognition of Schools**

Board of Education approval was requested to submit the application for recognition of schools with the Illinois State Board of Education.

*Secretary Netter moved to approve items #9.01 and #9.02, seconded by Member Cumpston. Motion passed.*

**9.03 Resolution for Dismissal**

Approval for a resolution for dismissal of an educational support staff employee "A".

*Member Fisher moved to adopt the resolution calling for the discharge of Anthony Stevens. Seconded by Member Rollins-Gay. Motion passed.*

**9.04 Resolution for Dismissal**

Approval for a resolution for dismissal of an educational support staff employee "B".

**10.0 STUDY TOPIC(S)**

**10.01 Gifted Education Plan**

Don Owen, Alexis Jones, USD employees, and Nancy Hertzog, from the University of Illinois, presented the gifted education plan to the Board of Education. Please see attached PowerPoint presentation.

**10.02 Response to Intervention**

Susan Baker give a presentation on the Response to Intervention.

postponed

*Member Fisher moved to postpone item #10.02, seconded by Member Cumpston. Motion passed.*

**10.03 Future Study Session Topics**

The Board of Education had a discussion, about the future topics of upcoming study sessions.

After reviewing the results from a survey of the Board of Education, six topics are thought to be added to the current study session BOE topics. It was requested that the campus land use plan be brought back to the Board of Education in a public hearing during the November business meeting. A new Board of Education Study Session Topics list will be produced for records.

**11.0 CALL FOR FUTURE SPECIAL/EXECUTIVE MEETINGS**

**12.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**13.0 ADJOURNMENT**

*Member Cumpston moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Member Rollins-Gay. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "aye". Motion passed.*

*President Hudson declared the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.*

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President

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Secretary