

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

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Vice-President Dimit called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

2.0 ROLL CALL

Present: 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
Ms. Carmelita Thomas, Director of Human Resources

Absent: Ms. Joyce Hudson, President

3.0 ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS AND MODIFICATIONS OF AGENDA

Additional information was given to add to the September 19, 2006, Business Meeting minutes. Regarding: item #12.02 - concerns expressed about the technology budget.

4.0 CITIZENS STATEMENTS

Vice-President Dimit thanked Jason Liggett for operating the cameras.

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

6.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Member Rollins-Gay moved to approve the agenda with corrections to the September 19, 2006 minutes, seconded by Member Summers. Motion passed.

7.0 COMMENDATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

8.0 POLICY REVIEW

9.0 COMMUNICATIONS

Member Cumpston gave a report on the bilingual committee. The topic of the last meeting (October 4th) was figuring out what the year’s agenda was going to be about. Each building will come back to the committee with its top level of concerns. They plan to revise the parent advisory committee. This committee will be looking at retention rate for ESL students. Urbana Middle School spoke about the social issues growing with ESL students and that they have developed a student relations community to talk about some of those.

10.0 REPORTS

10.01 2005-2006 Auditors Report

Heather Powell, BKD, LLP, presented the 2005-2006 audit report. The report that was given in the board packets are to be revised. Heather noticed an error in both the slide handout and audit report. Final and correct reports will be delivered at a later time. There were no significant changes from last year.

11.0 ACTION ITEMS (Consent)

Secretary Netter moved to approve the following consent action items, seconded by Member Cumpston. On a roll call, all members present voted “aye”. Motion passed. Absent: President Hudson

11.01 Minutes

September 19, 2006, Business Meeting
October 3, 2006, Study Session

11.02 October 30th Bills/Checks

Education Fund bill.....	\$1,676,622.18
Operating & Maintenance Fund bills.....	\$ 213,682.06
Bond & Interest Fund bills.....	\$ 0.00
Transportation Fund bills.....	\$ 18,331.35
Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund bills.....	\$ 66,507.26
Construction Fund bills.....	\$ 0.00
Fire Prevention and Safety Bonds.....	\$ 0.00
Fire Prevention and Safety (Levy)	\$ 320.00
Payroll.....	\$2,251,213.36
Adult Education bills.....	\$ 141,873.04

11.03 Interfund Loans

None

11.04 Personnel Items

Approval of various personnel items were requested.

11.05 Approval of Hazardous Areas

Approval was requested to renew the declaration of hazardous areas in order to continue to receive funding from the state.

11.06 Application for FY07 School Library Grant

Approval for the intent to apply for the FY07 School Library Grant was requested.

12.0 ACTION ITEMS (Individual)

12.01 Gifts

Novak , Weaver, & Solberg, Urbana, donated \$576.95 to the Leal Elementary School. This donation was used to purchase ten math books for a third grade classroom.

Champaign Urbana Schools Foundation donated, through sponsorship of a Red Lion Reunion, \$3,000 to the Urbana School District's instrument fund.

Joe and Yvonne Vitosky, Urbana, donated a Yamaha Trumpet, Straight Mute, Harmon Mute, and accessories valued at \$500 to the Urbana High School Band Department.

Nick Kehoe, President, Congressional Medal of Honor Foundation, Falls Church, Virginia, donated a book, *Medal of Honor: Portraits of Valor Beyond the Call of Duty* to the Urbana High School Library. This donation was valued at \$45.

Robert A. "Pat" Allen, Urbana, donated \$106 worth of playground balls and equipment to Yankee Ridge Elementary School.

Andrea Van Proyen, Urbana, donated part of the cost of a Cremona Bass SB-1 and a Glasser Bow.

12.02 Resolution to Extend "Build Urbana"

Carol Baker, Director of Business, requested approval of a resolution supporting the extension of the City of Urbana's "Build Urbana" tax rebate program.

Member Summers moved to approve item #12.02, seconded by Secretary Netter. Motion passed.

12.03 Approval of Foreign Language and Math Curriculum Guides
Approval of the Foreign Language and Math Curriculum Guides were requested.

Member Summers moved to approve item#12.03, seconded by Secretary Netter. Motion passed.

12.04 Approval of Sale of Surplus Vehicles
Carol Baker, Director of Business, requested approval of sale of surplus vehicles from the facilities services department.

Secretary Netter, moved to approve item #12.04, seconded by Member Summers. Motion passed.

12.05 Approval of Upgrade to the AS400 System
Carol Baker, Director of Business, requested approval to upgrade the AS400 system.

Secretary Netter moved to approve item #12.05, seconded by Member Cumpston. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "aye". Motion passed. Absent: President Hudson.

13.0 CALL FOR FUTURE SPECIAL/EXECUTIVE MEETINGS

14.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

15.0 ADJOURNMENT

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

Vice-President Dimit declared the meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

President

Secretary