

MINUTES
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
JEAN F. BURKHOLDER
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER
April 17, 2007
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
Ms. Carol Baker, Director of Business
Ms. Susan Baker-Ory, Director of Special Services
Ms. Carmelita Thomas, Director of Human Resources

3.0 ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS AND MODIFICATIONS OF AGENDA

4.0 CITIZENS STATEMENTS

Mark Frobish, Urbana, UHS softball boosters, told the board that the boosters have very little money. Please keep this in mind when looking at relocating the softball field. The boosters were able to earn money by working the concessions at Memorial Stadium, however this has stopped due to the construction at the stadium. The boosters are happy where they are at. If the softball field is to be relocated, they would like the new one designed identical to the current field. The boosters are willing to help with the physical labor as the money is short at this time.

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

There will be an executive session after the current meeting for the purpose of litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent. The basis for any such "probably or imminent" finding has to be stated in the closed meeting minutes. 5 ILCS 120/2(2)(11).

6.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

7.0 COMMENDATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

8.0 SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

9.0 COMMUNICATIONS

10.0 REPORTS

11.0 ACTION ITEMS (Consent)

Vice-President Dimit moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Member Rollins-Gay. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "aye". Motion passed unanimously.

11.01 Minutes

Business Meeting, March 13, 2007

Special Meeting, March 27, 2007

11.02 March Bills/Checks (Pre-Approved at February 20, 2007 meeting)

Education Fund bill.....	\$1,736,111.16
Operating & Maintenance Fund bills.....	\$ 177,505.27
Bond & Interest Fund bills.....	\$ 500.00
Transportation Fund bills.....	\$ 284,327.52
Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund bills.....	\$ 72,174.08
Construction Fund bills.....	\$ 0.00
Fire Prevention and Safety Bonds.....	\$ 0.00
Fire Prevention and Safety (Levy).....	\$ 6,980.00
Payroll.....	\$2,346,629.74

April Bills/Checks

Education Fund bill.....	\$ 1,512,537.29
Operating & Maintenance Fund bills.....	\$ 127,775.84
Bond & Interest Fund bills.....	\$ 23.65
Transportation Fund bills.....	\$ 27,225.66
Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund bills.....	\$ 71,786.97
Construction Fund bills.....	\$ 5,000.00
Fire Prevention and Safety Bonds.....	\$ 0.00
Fire Prevention and Safety (Levy).....	\$ 10,230.00
Payroll.....	\$2,323,162.42
Adult Education Bills.....	\$ 299,848.46

11.03 Interfund Loans

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

<u>Loan From</u>	<u>Loan To</u>	<u>Amount of Loan</u>
Working Cash Fund	Education Fund	\$1,000,000
Working Cash Fund	Transportation Fund	\$ 200,000

11.04 Personnel Items

Approval of various personnel items were requested.

11.05 Appointment of School Treasurer

Approval was requested to appoint Michael Cain as the district's school treasurer for the 2007-2008 school year at a salary of \$5,200.

11.06 Appointment of School Auditor

Approval was requested to appoint BKD, LLP as auditors for the 2006-2007 audit, fee of \$33,800.

12.0 ACTION ITEMS (Individual)

12.01 Gifts

Brittany Johnson, Urbana, donated two full size violin bows to the Urbana High School/Elementary Schools Band Department. This donation is valued at \$100.

Cora E. Musial, Urbana, donated \$100 to the Urbana School District Band Activity Account.

Matthew and Amy Ando, Urbana, donated \$272.50 to Leal Elementary - Mary Hart Fund. This donation will purchase two Lego Mindstorm sets for after-school enrichment

Member Fisher moved to approve item #12.01, seconded by Vice-President Dimit. Motion passed.

12.02 District Wide Cleaning Contract Extension

Approval was requested to extend the current cleaning contract with Environmental Solutions and Services (ESS) for the 2007-2008 school year with an increase of \$25,000. Please see attached memorandum for explanation.

Vice-President Dimit moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Member Fisher. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "aye". Motion passed unanimously.

12.03 Life Safety Asbestos Removal Bid

Approval was requested to award the life safety asbestos removal bid to DEM Services, of Belwood, Illinois, in the amount of \$89,398. There are engineering, supervision, testing fees (Ideal Engineering) that need to be included to total of \$29,600. Total of job: \$118,998.

Vice-President Dimit moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Member Rollins-Gay. On a roll call vote, all members present voted “aye”. Motion passed unanimously.

12.04 Resolution Abating the Working Cash Fund

Board approval was requested to abate \$2,000,000 from Working Cash to transfer to Operations and Maintenance (Construction Fund).

Vice-President Dimit moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Secretary Netter. On a roll call vote, all members present voted “aye”. Motion passed unanimously.

13.0 CALL FOR FUTURE SPECIAL/EXECUTIVE MEETINGS

14.0 SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

- Principal search for Thomas Paine and Wiley are in the second round
- Recommendation will be brought to the board for approval on May 1st.

Member Cumpston gave an Bilingual Committee report: transitioning from EC to K, 5th to 6th, 8th to 9th, and so on - more and more important for counseling. UHS has had a hard time filling the ESL job. Request for additional ESL staff @ UMS, testing requires more individual time.

15.0 ADJOURNMENT

Member Rollins-Gay moved to adjourn the meeting to executive session, seconded by Member Fisher. On a call vote, all members present voted “aye”. Motion passed unanimously.

President Hudson declared the meeting adjourned to executive session at 7:48 p.m. There will be no action taken after the executive session.

President

Secretary