

MINUTES
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
JEAN F. BURKHOLDER
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER
September 16, 2008
7:30 P.M.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

President Netter called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

2.0 ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Mark Netter, President
Mr. John Dimit, Vice-President
Ms. Ruth Ann Fisher, Secretary
Ms. Brenda Carter, Member
Ms. Cope Cumpston, Member
Mr. Steve Summers, Member

Absent: Ms. Benita Rollins-Gay

Also Present: Dr. Preston L. Williams, Jr., Superintendent
Mr. Don Owen, Asst Supt of Curriculum & Instruction
Ms. Gayle Jeffries, Asst. Supt. of Human Resources
Ms. Susan Baker-Ory, Asst. Supt of Special Services
Ms. Carol Baker, Director of Business/Finance
Mr. Ota Dossett, Director of Facilities & Grounds

3.0 ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS AND MODIFICATIONS OF AGENDA

4.0 CITIZENS STATEMENTS - None

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

6.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

7.0 COMMENDATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

The Champaign Urbana Schools Foundation announced the Splash Grant recipients. See attached list.

8.0 POLICY REVIEW

9.0 COMMUNICATIONS

10.0 ADMISTRATIVE REPORTS

10.01 Urbana High School Restructuring Discussion

The Board of Education continued discussion about the high school restructuring plan. Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, Don Owen, announced that Dr. Julia Johnson, Director of the Center for Education in Small Urban Communities and Dr. Lizanne Destefano, Associate Dean for the Bureau of Education Research, have agreed to serve on the District Improvement Monitoring Team. The board expressed support for that move. Mr. Owen also said that hiring a community facilitator would cost an estimated \$45,000. Most of the board members stated that the facilitator is not something they could support at this time, especially since it is not a required part of the restructuring plan in the eyes of the Illinois State Board of Education. The plan will come back to the board on October 7, 2008 for approval.

11.0 ACTION ITEMS (Consent)

Member Carter moved to approve the following consent action items, seconded by Member Summers. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "aye." Motion passed. Absent: B.Rollins-Gay

11.01 Minutes

Business Meeting, August 19, 2008
Study Session, September 2, 2008

11.02 September 30th Bills/Checks

Education Fund bill.....	\$1,254,110.17
Operating & Maintenance Fund bills.....	\$ 279,957.47
Bond & Interest Fund bills.....	\$ 0.00
Transportation Fund bills.....	\$ 35,062.90
Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund bills.....	\$ 60,848.87
Construction Fund bills.....	\$ 0.00
Construction Fund bills (W/C)	\$ 159,294.89
Fire Prevention and Safety Bonds.....	\$ 0.00
Fire Prevention and Safety (Levy)	\$ 49,054.10
Payroll.....	\$1,960,521.27
Adult Education bills.....	\$ 116,581.78

11.03 Interfund Loans

None

11.04 Personnel Items

Approval of various personnel items were requested.

- 11.05 Resolution to Demolish 104 Iowa Property**
Approval was requested to demolish district property at 104 Iowa.
- 11.06 Resolution to Demolish 118 Iowa Property**
Approval was requested to demolish district property at 118 Iowa.
- 11.07 Disposal of District Bus**
Approval was requested to dispose of the District bus.
- 11.08 Agreement for Exchange of Real Estate**
Approval was requested for exchange of a 2 foot tract of land near the Leal School playground.
- 11.09 Application for Recognition of Schools**
Approval to submit an application for recognition of schools was requested.

12.0 ACTION ITEMS (Individual)

- 12.01 Gifts**
Terri Medwed and Mark Rood, Champaign, donated an air hockey table to the Urbana Middle School SPLASH program. This donation was valued at \$600.
- Carl and Elsa Gunter, Urbana, donated \$375 to the 4th grade classrooms of Craig Huff and Yvonne Vitosky at Leal Elementary School. They also donated \$250 to the Adventurer's Team at Urbana Middle School.
- Benches.com donated an Ellsworth Garden Bench for the Leal Elementary playground. This donation was valued at \$259.
Camp Farm Management Inc., Champaign, made a cash donation of \$200 to the FFA account at Urbana High School.
- Renee and William Renfro, Urbana, donated an Olympus fE310 digital camera to the King Elementary Library. This donation was valued at \$150.
- Vice-President Dimit moved to approve and accept the above gifts, seconded by Member Carter. Motion passed.***
- 12.02 Approval of the FY09 District Budget Resolution**
Carol Baker, Director of Business presented and discussed the FY09 budget. Approval of the final 2008-2009 district budget will be requested.
- Vice-President Dimit moved to approve item #12.02, seconded by Member Summers. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "aye." Motion passed. Absent: B.Rollins-Gay.***

- 12.03 Approval of the FY09 Adult Education Budget**
Approval of the final 2008-2009 Adult Education budget was requested.

Vice-President Dimit moved to approve item #12.03, seconded by Member Cumpston. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "aye." Motion passed. Absent: B.Rollins-Gay.

- 12.04 Approval to Provide On-Line Access to Financial Information**
Approval was requested to put financial information on-line. Access will be available via district website: www.usd116.org.

Vice-President Dimit moved to approve item #12.04, seconded by Member Summers. Motion passed.

- 12.05 Kaufman Memorial Fund Transfer**
Approval was requested to transfer the balance (\$6,993) to funds currently maintained by the District in the Jeffrey Kaufman Memorial Fund, to the Champaign Urbana Schools Foundation to manage and assume responsibility of this fund. The transfer was made at the request of the Kaufman Family.

Vice-President Dimit moved to approve item #12.05, seconded by Member Summers. Motion passed.

- 12.06 Dismissal of Employee**
Consideration of the dismissal of the employee subject to the Loudermill hearing in executive session.

Member Summers moved to dismiss Employee "A", seconded by Secretary Fisher. On a roll call, all members present voted "aye." Motion passed. Absent; B.Rollins-Gay

13.0 CALL FOR FUTURE SPECIAL/EXECUTIVE MEETINGS

14.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

15.0 ADJOURNMENT

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

President Netter declared the meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

President

Secretary