



## **URBANA SCHOOL DISTRICT #116**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MINUTES**

**JEAN F. BURKHOLDER**

**ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER**

205 North Race St. Urbana, IL 61801

Tuesday, January 20, 2009

7:30 p.m.

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*Our mission is the Urbana School District #116, through the active engagement of the community, is to provide a quality education by vigorously fostering high expectations for individual growth within a nurturing and just environment, enabling each student to become a self-sufficient, productive, caring, and responsible member of a changing world society.*

Mr. Mark Netter, President  
Mr. John Dimit, Vice-President  
Ms. Ruth Ann Fisher, Secretary  
Ms. Brenda Carter, Member  
Ms. Cope Cumpston, Member  
Ms. Benita Rollins-Gay, Member  
Mr. Steve Summers, Member  
Dr. Preston L. Williams, Jr., Superintendent  
Ms. Lori Johnson, Board Secretary

### **1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

President Netter called the meeting to order at 7:36 pm.

### **2.0 ROLL CALL**

Present: Mark Netter, President  
Ruth Ann Fisher, Secretary  
Brenda Carter, Board Member (7:49 p.m.)  
Benita Rollins-Gay, Board Member  
Steve Summers, Board Member (7:55 p.m.)

Absent: John Dimit, Vice-President  
Cope Cumpston, Board Member

Also Present: Don Owen, Asst Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction  
Susan Baker-Ory, Asst. Superintendent of Special Services  
Carol Baker, Director of Business  
Gayle Jeffries, Asst. Superintendent of Human Resources  
Ota Dossett, Director of Facilities and 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 (8:10 p.m.)**

*Secretary Fisher moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Member Carter. Motion passed.*

**7.0 COMMENDATIONS/RECOGNITIONS**

**8.0 PUBLIC HEARING**

**9.0 COMMUNICATIONS**

**10.0 REPORTS (7:38 p.m.)**

**10.01 First Reading: UMS Restructuring Plan**

The Board of Education received a draft of the Urbana Middle School Restructuring Plan. Mr. Owen complimented and thanked the restructuring committee for putting in thousands of hours this fall and winter to complete this plan. Benita Rollins-Gay and Mark Netter also thanked the committee for its work. Superintendent Dr. Preston Williams said that District 116 takes this restructuring plan very seriously and he also commented that great things can happen once this plan goes into effect. Approval will be requested at the February 3, 2009, Study Session.

**11.0 ACTION ITEMS (Consent) – (8:11 p.m.)**

*Member Carter moved to approve the following consent action items, seconded by Member Rollins-Gay. On a roll call, all members present voted “aye.” Absent: J.Dimit and C.Cumpston*

**11.01 Minutes**

Business Meeting, December 16, 2008  
Study Session, January 6, 2009

**11.02 December Bills/Checks**

Education Fund Bills	\$1,692,095.82
Operations & Maintenance Fund Bills	\$ 159,659.57
Bond & Interest Fund Bills	\$ 0.00
Transportation Fund Bills	\$ 149,579.79
Il Municipal Retirement Fund	\$ 72,202.76
Construction Fund Bills	\$ 0.00
Construction Fund Bills (w/c)	\$ 2,575.88
Fire Prevention & Safety Bonds	\$ 0.00
Fire Prevention & Safety (Levy)	\$ 29,772.52
Payroll	\$2,478,959.66
Adult Education	\$ 302,541.22

**11.03 Interfund Loans - None**

**11.04 Personnel Items**

Approval of various personnel items were requested.

**11.05 Approval of Sale of Surplus Vehicle**

Carol Baker, Director of Business, recommended the Board of Education declare a 2000 Chevy S-10 Pick-up as surplus from the UHS Ag Department. This vehicle will be marketed and sold with the help of KCM Auto Care.

**12.0 ACTION ITEMS (Individual)**

***Member Summers moved to approve and accept the following gifts, seconded by Member Carter. Motion passed.***

**12.01 Gifts**

Starr Dalton, Urbana American Legion Auxiliary Unit 71, donated a variety of mittens and gloves to be dispersed to the elementary buildings.

Unitarian Universalist Church, Urbana, donated mittens, gloves, hats, and scarves, to be dispersed to all buildings in the district.

Richard Martin, Quincy, donated a 2000 Chevy S-10 truck to Urbana High School's Agricultural Program. This donation is valued at \$2,000.

Kristy Herman, Infant-Parent Institute, Champaign, donated twenty reams of colored paper, and two paper shelves to Prairie Elementary School. This donation is valued at \$220.

Pat Mills, Fayetteville, AR, donated Title I classroom sets of Barnes & Noble biographies (Colin Powell, Bill Clinton, and Abe Lincoln.) This donation is valued at \$105.

Clarence Groce, Huntville, AL, (parent of UHS student) donated \$500 to the Urbana High School General Education Fund. This donation was sponsored by his employment, BP Fabric of America.

Al Valocchi, Urbana, donated a clarinet: Buffet 770795 to Urbana Middle School's, Evelyn Burnett Underwood Music Scholarship Program. This donation is valued at \$700.

James and Darlene Kloeppe, Urbana, donated \$2,000 to the Evelyn Burnett Underwood Music Scholarship Program to provide private lessons for three students.

Timothy Stelzer and Rebecca Mead, Urbana, donated \$400 to Leal Elementary School (Bridget Maloney's 2<sup>nd</sup> grade classroom) to purchase an incubator.

Rick and Carrie Kubetz, Urbana, donated a complete set of darkroom equipment and also a set of *Time-Life Photography* books. This donation is valued at \$300.

Darrel Foste, PACA, donated nylon play structures to be used at Washington Early Childhood or any Elementary building.

**12.02 Working Cash Bond Resolution**

Carol Baker, Director of Business, requested approval of the working cash bond resolution.

***Secretary Fisher moved to approve item #12.02, seconded by Member Rollins-Gay. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "aye." Absent: J.Dimit and C.Cumpston***

**12.03 Board of Education Closed Meeting Confidentiality**

The Board of Education reviewed closed meeting minutes and determined there was a need to keep them confidential.

***Member Summers moved to keep all closed meeting minutes closed and confidential, seconded by Secretary Fisher. Motion passed.***

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

**14.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**15.0 BOARD'S REPORT**

**16.0 ADJOURNMENT**

***Member Carter moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Member Rollins-Gay. Motion passed.***

***President Netter declared the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.***

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President

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Secretary