



URBANA SCHOOL DISTRICT #116

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

STUDY SESSION MINUTES

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ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER

205 North Race St. Urbana, IL 61801

Tuesday, May 5, 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. John Dimit, President
Ms. Benita Rollins-Gay, Vice-President
Ms. Ruth Ann Fisher, Secretary
Ms. Brenda Carter, Secretary Pro Tem
Ms. Elaine Gehrmann, Member
Ms. Peggy Patten, Member
Mr. Steve Summers, Member
Dr. Preston L. Williams, Jr., Superintendent
Ms. Lori Johnson, Board Secretary

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

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

2.0 ROLL CALL

Present: John Dimit, President
Benita Rollins-Gay, Vice-President
Ruth Ann Fisher, Secretary
Brenda Carter, Board Member (7:36 p.m.)
Elaine Gehrmann, Board Member
Peggy Patten, Board Member
Steve Summers, Board Member (7:33 p.m.)

Also Present: Preston L. Williams, Jr., Superintendent
Don Owen, Asst. Supt of Curriculum and Instruction
Gayle Jeffries, Asst. Supt of Human Resources
Carol Baker, Director of Business
Ota Dossett, Director of Facilities and Grounds

3.0 ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS AND MODIFICATIONS OF AGENDA

Items #10.04 – Working Cash Bond Fund Projects and #10.05 – Approval of Board Policy 6.226 were added to the agenda.

4.0 CITIZENS STATEMENTS

5.0 CALL FOR EXECUTIVE MEETING/SESSION (After current meeting)

6.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Secretary Fisher moved to approve the agenda with additional items, seconded by Vice-President Rollins Gay. Motion passed.

7.0 ADMINISTRATIVE BRIEFINGS AND REPORTS

7.01 Presentation of Champaign Urbana Schools Foundation Grant Recipients

Representatives from the Champaign Urbana Schools Foundation presented the Spring of 2009 grant recipients.

Mark Foley – Urbana High School (\$3,761.10)
Bridget Maloney – Leal Elementary School (\$700)
Hope Morrison – King Elementary School (\$944)

7.02 District Library Program Annual Report

Debra Newell, district library coordinator, presented the annual report on the status of the district library program.

8.0 POLICY REVIEW

8.01 First Reading of Board Policy 6.226

The Board of Education was given board policy 6.226, *Preventing Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment* as a first reading. ~~Approval will be requested May 19, 2009, Board of Education, business meeting.~~

9.0 STUDY TOPICS

9.01 Title I School-Wide Plans

Jennifer Frerichs, Title One Coordinator, provided an overview about the definition of School-wide and Title I services. Principals from the elementary buildings were present to answer questions.

10.0 ACTION ITEMS (*individual and consent)

Member Carter moved to approve items #10.01, #10.02, and #10.05, as consent action items, seconded by Member Patten. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "aye."

10.01 Personnel Items

Approval of various personnel items, were requested.

10.02 Title I School Improvement Plans

Approval was requested to submit the Title I School-Wide Improvement Plans to the Illinois State Board of Education.

10.03 *County School Facility Occupation Tax Resolution

The Board of Education voted to approve a County School Facility Occupation Tax Resolution.

Secretary Fisher moved to approve item #10.03, seconded by Member Patten. On a roll call vote, all members present voted “aye.”

10.04 *Working Cash Bond Fund Projects

Ota Dossett, Director of Facilities and Grounds, requested approval of some working cash bond fund projects.

Member Carter moved to approve item #10.04, seconded by Vice-President Rollins-Gay. On a roll call vote, all members present voted “aye.”

10.05 Approval of Board Policy 6.226

Approval of Board Policy 6.226, *Preventing Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment*, was requested.

11.0 CALL FOR FUTURE SPECIAL/EXECUTIVE MEETINGS

12.0 SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

13.0 BOARD’S REPORT

President Dimit noted that the Champaign Urbana Schools Foundation had done some restructuring. There will no longer be a Board of Education representative serve on the executive board. The representative will serve on a Community Advisory Board. The Champaign Urbana Schools Foundation will also be requesting the Urbana School District to increase their giving to \$15,000.

14.0 ADJOURNMENT

Member Patten moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Secretary Fisher. Motion passed.

President Dimit declared the meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

President

Secretary