

**URBANDALE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING  
URBANDALE CITY HALL – 3600 86<sup>th</sup> STREET  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2011  
BOARD MEETING – 7:00 P.M.**

**I. Call to Order and Roll Call**

President Ryan Judas called the board meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Upon roll call, the following members were present: Directors Jeff Farrell, Kyle Kruidenier, Shawn St. John, Mark Wierson, Vice President Adam Obrecht and President Ryan Judas. Director Cate Newberg was absent.

**II. Approval of Agenda**

Director Farrell moved, and Director Obrecht seconded the motion to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried with all ayes 6-0.

**III. Student Senate Report**

Seventh grader, Rhea Gaskins reported that on November 2<sup>nd</sup> Middle School Student Senate Student would have a guest speaker from the Urbandale Food Pantry. UMS is beginning a food drive challenge to build a tower of canned goods, which will then be donated to the Urbandale Food Pantry. One out of four kids live in poverty. As UMS construction completes, Student Senate members will be representing the district at a ribbon cutting ceremony with Urbandale Chamber of Commerce on Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>. Watch UMS student's activity in Mock Trial.

**IV. Communication from the Public**

None.

**V. Good News**

Deanne Berg, 7th grade Math and Science teacher is coordinating an FMA (Force x Mass = Acceleration) – Live! assembly Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> where kids learn science in a unique and motivating way. Urbandale's 6<sup>th</sup> grade chorus sang the National Anthem at the Komen Race for the Cure on October 22<sup>nd</sup> for 21,000 participants. Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, 90 community members participated in a "Life in a Second Language" simulation hosted by Urbandale's English as a Second Language Department and Community Action Network. Rolling Green Elementary students celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> day of school as 50's day at school. Rolling Green PTO paid for Dan Dance C'motion Revolution to work with students November 1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> – C'motion is a music-driven exergaming experience that keeps the mind and body in action. Jensen students will experience C'motion Revolution as well paid for by "Shop Your School" Merle Hay Mall donations. Kelly Griffin's blog highlights non-fiction work she is doing with her 1<sup>st</sup> graders at Jensen. Webster Elementary School's Fall Running Club ran a total of 1,967 miles equal to running from San Francisco to Davenport. UHS Football defeated Johnston last week in the first round of playoffs; they will play Valley High School tonight. Grant Wierson captures 70<sup>th</sup> place at State Cross Country in Fort Dodge. UHS Volleyball defeated Johnston and advances to Regional Finals against CB Lincoln. Emma Billerbeck captured the Regional Diving Crown and will advance to the State Meet on November 4<sup>th</sup>. Nine UHS students made All-State Chorus and 8 students made it to All-State Band.

**VI. Consent Agenda Items**

A. Monday, October 17, 2011 Board Minutes,

B. Maintenance and Supply Agreement with Imaging Technologies for Valerius Elementary School, and

C. Personnel Report as submitted.

Vice President Obrecht moved, and Director St. John seconded the motion to approve items A through C of the consent agenda. Motion passed with all ayes 6-0.

**VII. Report of the Superintendent of Schools**

**A. Quality Update**

Esther Burgett and Carrie Bagley, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teachers, at Olmsted Elementary School along with Mr. Mark Lane, Principal, and 2<sup>nd</sup> grader, Autumn Sheppard, shared typical Student Data Folders, and how this tool works to motivate learners and help students set goals. Students don't have to ask how they are doing; they have an active part in measuring their progress.

**B. Visioning**

Jim Verlengia, Regional Director Heartland Area Education Agency, talked about the importance of visioning. He clarified the difference between the district's vision, the mission statement, and the values that you use to go about your work. He opened the door to how a board can use visioning in their role as a board members and the process to get us there.

**C. Authorization to Pay Bills**

Shelly Clifford, Director of Business Services, requested Board authorization to pay bills as submitted. Vice President Obrecht moved, and Director St. John seconded the motion to pay the bills as submitted, totaling \$672,999.35. Motion passed with all ayes 6-0.

**VIII. Report of the President**

President Judas reminded board members of the Iowa Association of School Boards 66<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on November 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>.

**IX. Discussion of Other Matters**

**X. Closed Session**

**A. Superintendent's Goals**

Director Farrell moved, to hold a closed session as provided in Section 21.5(1)(i) of the Code of Iowa, and as requested by the individual, to evaluate the professional competency of the individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation. Director St. John seconded the motion. Motion passed with all ayes 6-0.

President Ryan Judas called the closed session to order at 8:00 P.M. Upon roll call, the following members were present: Directors Jeff Farrell, Kyle Kruidenier, Shawn St. John, Mark Wierson, Vice President Adam Obrecht and President Ryan Judas. Director Cate Newberg was absent.

**B. Return to Open Session**

Vice President Obrecht moved, and Director St. John seconded the motion to return to open session Motion passed with all ayes 6-0.

**XI. Adjourn**

Vice President Obrecht moved, and Director St. John seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 P.M. Motion passed with all ayes 6-0.

Ryan M. Jorda 11/14/11  
Board President Date

ATTEST:

Wanda Baltzley 11/14/11  
Board Secretary Date

These minutes are unofficial until approved by the Board of Directors at their meeting on November 14, 2011.