

**UTICA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES  
Joan C. Sergent Instructional Resource Center  
14201 Canal Road  
Sterling Heights, MI 48313  
September 26, 2011**

Attending: C. Klenow, G. Klida, R. Ross, M. Templeton, J. Prybys, D. Meyers

Absent: K. Krolczyk

**1.-2. Meeting Call to Order**

Board President Dr. Carol Klenow called the meeting to order followed by The Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Minutes**

Motion by Klida, supported by Meyers, to accept the minutes as presented.

Motion carried.

**4. National Federation of High School AssociationS Award of Excellence**

Mr. Robert Monroe, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning, introduced the National Federation of High School Associations (NFHSA) Award of Excellence recognition. Kirstin Carolin, Malow Junior High School teacher, was honored for receiving the 2010-2011 outstanding speech, debate and theater educator award from the NFHSA. The national award is presented to teachers who demonstrate "significant contributions to speech, debate and theater activities."

Comments from the Board of Education were entertained.

**5. Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Dr. Christine M. Johns reported on successful open houses at the district's schools. She added that all open houses will be completed before the end of the month, following community feedback about their impact on a positive start to the school year.

Dr. Johns also reported that the Utica Center for Science and Industry will be recognized by Automation Alley on October 14. UCSI has been named a regional finalist for Automation Alley's education program of the year. Programs are nominated for their vision and influence in preparing student for careers in engineering, mechatronics and multimedia technology.

She added that elementary and junior high school MEAP testing will occur in October. MEAP testing for grades third through ninth will begin October 11 and continue through October 19. The window for make-up tests will continue through October 28. Dr. Johns also commented that the State of Michigan has raised the cut scores for the MEAP tests, which will impact results for students and schools throughout the state.

**6. Community Correspondence**

There was no community correspondence to acknowledge.

**7. Public Communication**

No requests were presented.

**8A1. Release of Directory Information Policy #5515**

Dr. Klenow presented the second reading of policy #5515, Release of Directory Information, for revision. Information regarding weight and height of members of athletic teams was added to the existing policy due to

the fact that the information is requested by other districts as well as Utica Community Schools to be printed in athletic event programs.

Motion by Ross, supported by Klida, that the Board of Education approve the revision of Policy #5515.

Motion carried.

**9. Changes in Certified Personnel**

Ms. Stephanie Eagen, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Employee Services, presented the changes in certified personnel since the September 12, 2011 Board of Education meeting.

Motion by Templeton, supported by Prybys, that the Board of Education approve the changes in certified personnel as presented.

Motion carried.

**10. Schedule of Bills Report**

Ms. Jill Tomy, Executive Director of Business and Finance, reviewed for the Board of Education's information, the schedule of bills for the General Fund and Capital Projects Fund.

GENERAL FUND (09/14/11)	\$512,273.78
GENERAL FUND (09/21/11)	\$677,084.80
<b>General Fund Total</b>	<b>\$1,189,358.58</b>

**BOND 2003:**

CAPITAL PROJECTS 2006 – August 2011	\$89,160.55
CAPITAL PROJECTS 2007 – August 2011	\$7,164.30
CAPITAL PROJECTS 2008 – August 2011	\$13,821.33
<b>Bond 2003 Total</b>	<b>\$110,146.18</b>

**BOND 2009:**

CAPITAL PROJECTS 2009 – August 2011	\$106,247.74
CAPITAL PROJECTS 2011 – August 2011	\$233,994.30
<b>Bond 2009 Total</b>	<b>\$ 340,242.04</b>

The Board accepted the report as presented.

**11. Construction Change Orders**

Mr. Mark Davey, Assistant Superintendent for Auxiliary Services, reviewed the 2003 Bond Issue Construction Change Order #81 and 2009 Bond Issue Construction Change Order #13. The changes reflect the recommended changes to the current outstanding construction contracts.

Motion by Ross, supported by Meyers, that the Board of Education approve the 2003 Bond Issue Construction Change Order #81 and 2009 Bond Issue Construction Change Order #13 as submitted.

Board Treasurer Dr. Robert Ross stated the Capital Project committee reviewed the changes and had the opportunity to visit the sites.

Motion carried.

**12. Michigan Association of School Board s(MASB) Certification of Delegates**

Dr. Klenow stated that Delegates selected by Board of Education across the state will decide MASB's positions on a variety of issues affecting education and proposed legislation being considered at the MASB's 2011 Delegate Assembly. All delegates and alternates must be school board members. Only delegates and alternates named by the Board of Education may offer motions and vote on issues.

The MASB Bylaws govern the number of Delegates and Alternates that may be designated. Article VII, Sections 4 and 5 provide four (4) voting delegates and four (4) alternates be selected based, on Utica Community Schools student membership.

Motion by Klida, supported by Templeton, that the Board of Education designate Mrs. Gene Klida and Mr. Ken Krolczyk, Dr. Robert Ross, Mr. Daniel Meyers (4) Delegates and three (3) Alternates, Dr. Carol Klenow, Mrs. Michele Templeton and Mrs. Jennifer Prybys as Michigan Association of School Boards delegates.

Mr. Meyers reported on the UCS Foundation golf outing fundraiser and thanked Mrs. Klida for her work in making it a success.

Dr. Carol Klenow encouraged residents to attend Band-A-Rama on Sunday, October 9. Band-A-Rama will begin at 7:00 p.m. and will be held at Swinehart field this year.

**13. Adjournment**

Motion by Klida, supported by Meyers, that the meeting adjourn at 7:21 p.m.

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Michele Templeton, Secretary  
Utica Community Schools  
Board of Education