

CHAMPAIGN COUNTY BOARD  
COMMITTEE MINUTES

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**LABOR COMMITTEE**

**Sunday, September 19, 2010**

**Brookens Administrative Center, Jennifer K. Putman Meeting Room  
1776 E. Washington St., Urbana**

4:00 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Tom Betz, Brendan McGinty, Alan Nudo, Sam Smucker (Chair)

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Greg Knott

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Deb Busey (County Administrator), David DeThorne (Senior Assistant State's Attorney), Michelle Owens (State's Attorney's Office Intern), C. Pius Weibel (County Board Chair)

**CALL TO ORDER**

Smucker called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Betz, McGinty, Nudo, and Smucker were present at the time of roll call, establishing the presence of a quorum.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDENDUM**

**MOTION** by Nudo to approve the agenda; seconded by McGinty. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION** by McGinty to approve the June 3, 2010 open session and June 3, 2010 closed session minutes; seconded by Nudo. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was no public participation.

**CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO 5 ILCS 120/2(c)2 TO CONSIDER COLLECTIVE NEGOTIATING MATTERS BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND ITS EMPLOYEES OR THEIR REPRESENTATIVES**

**MOTION** by McGinty to enter into closed session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 2 to consider collective negotiating matters between Champaign County and its employees or their representatives.

He further moved that the following individuals remain present: County Administrator and representatives from the State's Attorney's Office. Motion seconded by Betz. **Motion carried with a vote of 4 to 0.** Betz, McGinty, Nudo, and Smucker voted in favor of the motion. The committee entered into closed session at 4:04 p.m. The committee resumed open session at 4:53 p.m.

### **REVIEW & RECOMMENDATION REGARDING SLEP MODIFICATION LEGISLATION**

Busey reminded the committee about the changes made to the IMRF pension system by the State of Illinois. There is pending legislature creating a second tier in the SLEP pension system to mirror the changes made to IMRF. Busey hoped the County Board would consider a resolution at Thursday's meeting in support of the legislation that would minimize the long-term pension obligations for SLEP. In her opinion, these changes were essential to manage the pension systems.

**MOTION** by Nudo to place a resolution supporting the SLEP pension change on the September County Board addendum; seconded by McGinty.

Betz commented this was the single most powerful lobby in the state after the medical association. Busey said the SLEP was a much healthier pension than regular IMRF. Nudo said it was a question of whether the public could afford the pension system in the future. Weibel said Springfield was hard to predict, but it was good to have the County Board's opinion on record. Betz said both parties were bad on this issue because neither party was willing to do anything about police pension systems. Betz would like to see the bill in front of him before voting in favor of it. He felt all the politicians would want the endorsement of FOP.

**Motion carried.**

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Smucker adjourned the meeting at 4:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kat Bork  
Administrative Assistant

*Secy's note: The minutes reflect the order of the agenda and may not necessarily reflect the order of business conducted at the meeting.*