

# *Happy Holidays from the Board of Education Staff*

Quincy Public  
Schools UPDATE  
Newsletter

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## **CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH QUINCY FEDERATION OF TEACHERS**

QFT members approved a two-year agreement on December 21. The Board then voted to approve the contract at a special meeting held at noon on Thursday, December 22. The contract was approved 5-2. Members Jeff Mays and Bud Niekamp voted no. Union members, which include teachers and paraeducators, will receive a half step increase the first year, step and 1% increase in year two, and no change in insurance benefits. The contract is effective for the 2011-12 and 2012-13 school years.

## **LINE OF CREDIT**



At the December 21 meeting, the Board of Education approved seeking bids for a \$6 million dollar line of credit in order to have money to cover end of the school year expenses. In November, the Board approved issuing \$6.2 million in working cash bonds to eliminate the District's ongoing deficit in the Education Fund. A petition campaign to have the issue placed on the ballot has been successful. The public will have an opportunity to vote on the working cash bonds in March. Business Manager Bud Martin said, "Since the working cash is going to referendum, we won't know until the end of March if that money will be available." It is likely the District will need the money prior to the end of March. The debt has been carried over for a number of years in the Education Fund. If the working cash bonds are approved, that would move the expense into the working cash fund while eliminating the deficit in the Education Fund. There would be no increase in the overall tax rate for taxpayers.

### ***In other action, the Board approved:***

- ***Risk Management Plan***—no changes from last year
- ***2011 Tax Levy*** —District's rate is 0.89 percent lower than last year
- ***Procedure for Food Bids***—will be awarded by individual line items as in the past



## PERSONNEL

### **Appointments— Extended Day Tutors**

Erin Kruty – B. West  
Hillary Warren – B. West  
Connie O'Neal – B. West  
Stephanie Patrick – B. West  
Heather Friday – Adams  
Lisa Cowman – Adams  
Jodi Whitfield – Adams  
Lindsey Struck – Berrian  
Lisa Otten – Berrian  
Heather Humphrey – Berrian  
Pam Havermale – Berrian  
Marynelle Kellum – Berrian  
Michelle Grawe – Berrian  
Katie Ridder – Berrian  
Linda McNay – B. North  
Marie John—B. North

Connie Thomas – B. North  
Mary Christensen – B. North  
Carmel Kuhlman – B. North  
Laura Stutzman – Dewey  
Julie Schulte – Dewey  
Jerri Hall – Dewey  
Connie Haschemeyer – Dewey  
Michelle Gnuse – B. South  
Linda Saunders – B. South  
Jennifer Bordenkircher – B. So.  
Rachel Robison – B. South  
Lyndee Perrine—QJHS  
Lisa Schwartz-QJHS  
Meggie Waterkotte—QJHS  
Marlene Hellhake-Apex Coord

### **Coaching Appointments—**

James Young-JV Asst Softball  
Dustin Forrest-7th-8th Wrestling  
Jennifer Neally-JV Softball  
Nick Lantz-7th-8th Wrestling

### **Other Appointments—**

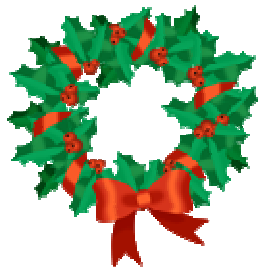
Alason Vecchie—Madison ED Para  
Debbie Bradshaw—Baldwin N Para  
Jennifer Hathaway—Berrian Cook

### **Maternity/Medical Leave—**

Meghan Goehl-Adams Kdg—Feb. 7—April 3, 2012  
Jen Keppner-QJHS-Apr. 2 through end of school year  
Sara Jarvis-Berrian 3rd—leave extended to January 3, 2012  
Tara Dicks-Jan 3 to Jan 30, 2012

### **Resignations—**

Susan Fouts—Baldwin N teacher—December 20, 2011  
Candy Scott-Speech/Lang Washington—November 30, 2011  
Marcia Zanger East-Berrian Para—December 2, 2011  
Barb Altgilbers—ECFC Para—November 28, 2011  
Krista Venvertloh—Baldwin N Para—December 9, 2011  
Tim Souther—21st CCLC Ext Day—November 22, 2011  
Joyce Postiglione—Washington Para—December 21, 2011  
Katie Hollensteiner—Dewey Para—January 3, 2011  
Kelli Kahs—Berrian Security—December 21, 2011



School Resumes for Teachers, Tuesday, January 3

Students Return Wednesday, January 4

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## THANK YOU!

QHS Music Department Students and Staff for the beautiful Vespers Program which truly reflected the spirit of the season.

