

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF
BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 172
ADAMS COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON JULY 19, 2006

- Meeting Convened The Board of Education of School District No. 172, Adams County, Illinois, met in regular session on July 19, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. in the Round Room in the Baldwin Intermediate School Building located at 3000 Maine Street, Quincy, Illinois, in said school district.
- Roll Call The meeting was called to order by President Dickerson, who directed the secretary to call the roll. On the call of the roll, the following members were present and answered to their names: Members Daniels, Dickerson, Fletcher, Jackson, Lovelace, Nichols and Niekamp. Whereupon the president declared that a quorum was present.
- Pledge of Allegiance The Board and audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Questions and Comments President Dickerson opened the meeting to questions and comments to members of the Board, by members of the public and employees of the district, in compliance with state statutes.
- Mr. Gene Harshman, a former Board member, reported to the Board on the Sam Storby Scholarship Fund. Scholarships are awarded to male or female basketball players each year. Mr. Harshman serves on the scholarship investment committee.
- Consent Agenda It was moved by Member Daniels and seconded by Member Nichols to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:
1. Treasurer's Report - June 2006
 2. Minutes of June 21, 2006
- On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Daniels, Dickerson, Fletcher, Jackson, Lovelace, Nichols and Niekamp; and the following members voted Nay: None. Whereupon the president declared the motion carried.
- District Announcements Board/Staff Communication **Community Accountability Report Card/Survey Results.** President Dickerson reported there were over 1,000 responses to the Community Accountability Report Card and Survey. Many questions and comments were submitted. He said that the Board made an effort a few years ago to communicate better with the community and to develop ways for two-way dialog. He stated that the report card was not a do-all, know-all of the history of Quincy Public Schools. Information about events with past superintendents and Boards will not be presented tonight. He said the current seven Board members are here now to do the best for students and the community.

Sometimes looking back, things could have been done better. The Accountability Report Card information shows where we are and that we are moving forward.

Superintendent Leahy stated that three years ago, the District needed to turn 180 degrees and has now turned at least 120 degrees in the right direction. He said there were many positive comments on the survey. He presented a summary of survey results and several administrators answered questions from the survey. The information was shown on an overhead and copies were provided to the audience and Board (Doc. Reg. No. 2219).

Eighty-six percent agree that QPS provides children with a quality education. Seventy-nine percent agree that QPS curriculum and instructional programs prepare students for the 21st century and that QPS attracts and hires quality employees. The results indicated 87% agree that QPS provides students with a safe, healthy and welcoming environment. QPS building and grounds received the highest marks with 95% agreeing they are well maintained.

Administrators responded to questions and comments from the survey in the areas of school improvement days, special education, student attendance, technology, transportation, food service, security, administrative positions/compensation, budget/finance, health insurance plan and public relations.

Superintendent Leahy stated that the most important information obtained from this survey is the need to communicate clearly, frequently, consistently and in a timely manner. President Dickerson commented on the quality staff of Quincy Public Schools, it is a District the entire community can be proud of. It is the Board's desire to be open and provide information to the community and answer questions effectively. Board members and administrators continue to invite the community to participate and to visit our schools.

In conclusion, President Dickerson presented survey results regarding QPS configuration options and tax referendum. Forty-six percent of the respondents indicated a first choice of nine K-5 centers, one grade 6-8 middle school at Junior High and one grade 9-12 high school. Fifty-one percent indicated they would support a tax referendum for specific projects, improvements and/or reorganization. Superintendent Leahy stated that the administrative team guarantees to the community quality work for the success of children. He thanked all staff involved in the survey presentation. He thanked the *Quincy Herald Whig* for printing the surveys and JK Creative for preparing the mailing. An anonymous donor provided mailing costs.

Curriculum
Committee

The Curriculum Committee report was presented by Chairperson Nichols. The committee reviewed the progress toward the 2005-06 goals.

Goals for 2006-07 will be developed at a future meeting after the committee reviews ISAT/PSAE data.

Policy Committee

The Policy Committee did not meet in July.

Building Committee

Chairperson Jackson reported that the Building Committee reviewed the recommendation to replace two vehicles for maintenance and one vehicle for security. Rich Royalty updated the committee on the demolition of the Junior High School chimney and track replacement at Flinn Stadium.

Seek Bids for Replacement Vehicles

It was recommended by the Building Committee and moved by Member Jackson to seek bids for replacement of a track loader and four-wheel drive pickup truck for the maintenance department, and a pickup truck for security. On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Daniels, Dickerson, Fletcher, Jackson, Lovelace, Nichols and Niekamp; and the following members voted Nay: None. Whereupon the president declared the motion carried.

Finance Committee

Chairperson Daniels presented the Finance Committee Report. The Finance Committee reviewed the check register, food and non-food bids, fuel bids, Interfund loan updates and end-of-year financial report.

Check Register

It was recommended by the Finance Committee and moved by Member Daniels to approve the check register dated July 3, 2006. On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Daniels, Dickerson, Fletcher, Jackson, Lovelace, Nichols and Niekamp; and the following members voted Nay: None. Whereupon the president declared the motion carried.

Food and Non-Food Bids

It was recommended by the Finance Committee and moved by Member Daniels to approve the following lowest responsible food and non-food bids for 2006-2007:

Milk	Anderson & Erickson	\$155,328.86 escalator price
Bread	Interstate Brands	\$ 62,947.10
Food/Non-Food	Kohl Wholesale	\$386,688.01

On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Daniels, Dickerson, Fletcher, Jackson, Lovelace, Nichols and Niekamp; and the following members voted Nay: None. Whereupon the president declared the motion carried.

Fuel Bids

It was recommended by the Finance Committee and moved by Member Daniels to approve the lowest responsible bid for fuel for 2006-2007 as submitted by Wally Hutter Oil Company for \$2.4597/gallon unleaded, \$2.3945/gallon for diesel and \$2,3763/gallon for blended diesel (escalating bid). On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Daniels, Dickerson, Fletcher, Jackson, Lovelace, Nichols and Niekamp; and the following members voted Nay: None. Whereupon the president declared the motion carried.

Personnel
Addendum

It was moved by Member Lovelace and seconded by Member Daniels to approve the Revised Personnel Addendum as presented:

REVISED PERSONNEL ADDENDUM

July 19, 2006
Quincy Board of Education

** indicates addition/revision*

PERSONNEL CODES	
\$\$	= New Operating Fund positio (increase in FTE)
B	= Paid for by Booster Clubs
C	= Change in classification
D	= Full day reinstated

PERSONNEL ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

CERTIFIED

TEACHER APPOINTMENTS (effective for the 2006-2007 school year)

1)R	MELISSA BOLTON - QJHS literacy	BS 4 yrs experience	\$31,287
2)R	MELINDA JACKSON - QHS counselor	MS+10 yrs exper	\$31,543 *
3)R	TERESA NEATHERY - Ellington 2 nd grade	MS +20 10 yrs exper	\$38,683
4)R *	BROCK SOUSA - Irving 2 nd grade Title	MS 0 yrs experience	\$30,965
5)R *	TONYA MILLER - QHS English part-time	BS 2 yrs exper @ .5	\$15,238

DECLINED POSITION/RESIGNATIONS

- 6) MARY PALMER, appointed last month as a math teacher at 14th Street, has declined the position.
- 7) DEBRA COLE, literacy teacher at QJHS, has resigned effective June 26, 2006.
- 8) ROBERT SHEFFIELD, 5th grade teacher at Baldwin West, has resigned effective June 22, 2006.
- 9) MIKE LLEWELLYN has resigned as Key Club Sponsor for the 2006-2007 school year.
- 10) LYNN GORRELL, teacher in the Teen Mother Program, has resigned effective June 27, 2006.

RETIREMENT

- 11)* MIKE HAYES, principal Baldwin South, requesting to retire September 12, 2008 under the terms of a retirement agreement.

CLASSIFIED

APPOINTMENTS (effective for the 2006-2007 school year)

12)R	PATRICK ARENA - 14 th St. para	0 yrs experience 1-C	\$11,774
13)R	MICHEL ARMSTRONG - Baldwin ED para	0 yrs experience 1-C	\$11,774
14)R	BRAD BERGMAN-ECFC Family Services Coord	4 yrs exp Supp Sch A	\$29,183.22
15)R	JONETTE GUINTY - QJHS one on one para	0 yrs experience 1-C	\$11,774
16)R	DANIELLE GOODING - Baldwin S one on one	0 yrs experience 1-C	\$11,774
17)R	AMBER HOLTHAUS - Adams one on one para	0 yrs experience 1-C	\$11,774
18)R	HEATHER KITE- Baldwin S one on one	0 yrs experience 1-C	\$11,774
19)R	TIMOTHY LOGAN - 14 th St. Behavior Manager	0 yrs BS-Supp Sch B	\$17,875
20)R	HEATHER MEARS - QJHS TMH Paraeducator	0 yrs experience 1-C	\$11,774
21)\$\$	DOROTHY OELKLAUS - Monroe access para	22 yrs experience 1-C	\$19,549

22)R	RENEE PORTER - QJHS ED Paraeducator	0 yrs experience 1-C	\$11,774
23)R	THOMAS REGNER - QJHS one on one para	14 yrs experience 1-C	\$16,549
24)R	SHELLY SALISBURY - ECFC Secy Level B	5 yrs exper-220 days	\$20,504
25)R	JULIE SCHALLER - Baldwin S LDS para	0 yrs experience 1-C	\$11,774
26)R	CONNIE SCHMITS - ECC Secretary Level B	7 yrs exper 181 days	\$17,998.64
27)\$\$	JUDY SCHUTTE - Monroe access para	0 yrs experience 1-B	\$10,854
28)R	CARLA SHANK - Adams one on one para	0 yrs experience 1-B	\$10,854
29)R	STACEY SHEPHERD - Adams program para	2 yrs experience 1-C	\$12,449

RESIGNATIONS

- 30) SHARON MOELLER**, cafeteria manager at Madison School, has resigned effective for the 2006-2007 school year.
- 31) MARCELINO GUERRA**, paraeducator at Washington School, has resigned effective July 31, 2006.
- 32) SHARON LABROO**, paraeducator at Baldwin, has resigned effective July 6, 2006.
- 33) LISA HARBIN**, paraeducator at 14th Street Alternative, has resigned effective April 17, 2006.

On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Daniels, Dickerson, Fletcher, Jackson, Lovelace, Nichols and Niekamp; and the following members voted Nay: None. Whereupon the president declared the motion carried.

Freedom of
Information
Requests

Attorney Gorman reported on behalf of the Superintendent that two Freedom of Information Requests have been received. One has been completed and one is in process.

Adjournment

It was moved by Member Jackson and seconded by Member Daniels that the regular meeting adjourn. On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Daniels, Dickerson, Fletcher, Jackson, Lovelace, Nichols and Niekamp; and the following members voted Nay: None. Whereupon the president declared the motion carried and the regular meeting was duly adjourned.

Thomas Dickerson
President

Phyllis Stewart
Secretary