

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF
BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 172
ADAMS COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON JANUARY 24, 2024 – 6:00 P.M.**

Meeting Convened

The Board of Education of School District No. 172, Adams County, Illinois, met in regular session on January 24, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board of Education Office, Room 214, 1416 Maine Street, Quincy, Illinois, in said school district.

Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by President Arns, 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 Ali, Arns, McNay, Petty, Sethaler, and Whitfield; and the following member was absent: Member Brock. Whereupon the President declared a quorum was present.

Moment of Silence

President Arns declared a moment of silence and reflection.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Arns.

Questions and Comments

President Arns opened the meeting to questions and comments to members of the Board, by members of the public. There were none.

Consent Agenda

It was moved by Member McNay and seconded by Member Arns to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- a. Treasurer's Report*
- b. Minutes – December 20, 2023*
- c. Check Register and JH/SH Activity Fund Reports*
- d. Acknowledge receipt of the Freedom of Information Log: December 18, 2023 through January 19, 2024 (Information Only)*

On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Ali, Arns, McNay, Petty, Sethaler, and Whitfield; and the following members voted Nay: None and the following member was absent: Member Brock. Whereupon the President declared the motion carried.

Reports of the Superintendent

The Super's 8 Highlights

1. Thanks to sub-zero temperatures and ice, I called my first snow day as superintendent.
2. Huge thank you to the building and grounds crew led by Ryan Clair for putting in early morning hours and doing a fantastic job of taking care of each of our buildings on these crazy weather days.
3. The students in QHS Theatre Department are headed into their final weeks of rehearsals for the historical drama, Rosie the Riveter. Show dates are February 8, 9 and 10 at 7:00 p.m. on the Quincy Senior High School stage.
4. Students across the district are finishing up MAP testing. Standardized tests are just one of many metrics we use to monitor students' academic progress throughout the year.
5. The QJHS Comets are on quite the streak (pun intended). The wrestling team took home the championship at the Jacksonville Invitational, the girls volleyball team was in the top spot at the Edwardsville Invitational Championship and the QJHS 7th grade boys team made it to the IESA Regional Championship, falling in a nail-biter 31-33.
6. Students in Mrs. Redd's class at the Early Childhood and Family Center took a field trip to the Tri-Township Fire Station. Not only did they learn about fire safety, but they toured the station and even got to sit in the firetruck!
7. After crunching some numbers, the Flex Program at QHS is yielding commendable results. In addition to academic gains across the board, the number of classes missed by the program's 64 first-semester enrolled students is down more than 50% over this time last year.
8. Lisa Otten and the HR Department hosted a Support Staff Career Fair this week where job candidates could talk with view open positions, talk with department heads and fill out applications. Twenty high-quality candidates attended the fair.

Spotlight on QAVTC

Director Evie Morrison shared a PowerPoint presentation showcasing the hands-on learning opportunities available to eleven area Adams and Pike County school districts including Quincy Notre Dame. QAVTC offers skill-based courses for area high school juniors and seniors and introductory courses to all QHS students. Enrollment for the 23-24 school year includes 477 students in skill-based courses and 516 QHS students in introductory courses. These courses not only provide hands-on authentic technical skills, but also essential employability skills.

Arrival of Member Brock

Member Brock arrived at 6:15 p.m., which was duly noted by the Board Secretary.

Building Committee

Chairperson McNay shared that the QHS Building E, HVAC system went out for bid today. They will be replacing a Daikin HVAC system installed in 2010-2011 with a different type of system. The committee was updated on the recent districtwide HVAC issues. The committee

discussed how the systems are designed and what improvements need to be made to prevent these issues from happening again. Klingner gave a small group tour of the Central Service building where things are progressing as necessary. If all continues to stay on schedule, some of the departments could start to move at the end of May.

District Improvement Committee

The District Improvement Committee did not meet.

Finance Committee

The Finance Committee did not meet.

Discipline Committee

The Discipline Committee did not meet.

Policy Committee

Chairperson Whitfield reported that the Policy Committee reviewed Policy 7:60—Residence. The policy was reviewed as the October 2023 PRESS Service had a footnote that permits boards to allow a waiver of nonresident tuition if the student is the child of a district employee. Due to concerns with the number of employees that live outside of QPS boundaries and the fiduciary responsibility to our district residents, the committee is recommending the policy be adopted as is with no changes. Current policy does not allow nonresident tuition waivers for children of district employees. The policy will be laid on the table to be approved at the February Board meeting.

Seniority List for Licensed and Support Staff

It was moved by Member McNay and seconded by Member Ali to approve seniority lists for licensed and support staff (Doc. Reg. No. 3852). On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Ali, Arns, Brock, McNay, Petty, Sethaler, and Whitfield; and the following members voted Nay: None. Whereupon the President declared the motion carried.

2024-2025 School Calendar

It was moved by Member McNay and seconded by Member Ali to approve the 2024-2025 school calendar (Doc. Reg. No. 3853). On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Ali, Arns, Brock, McNay, Nichols, Petty, and Whitfield; and the following members voted Nay: None. Whereupon the President declared the motion carried.

Food/Non-Food Bids

It was recommended by Member Ali and seconded by Member Arns to approve the bids for food and non-food items as submitted by Kohl's Wholesale at a cost of \$667,226.92 for Spring 2024 (Doc Reg. No. 3854). On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye:

Members Ali, Arns, Brock, McNay, Petty, Sethaler, and Whitfield; and the following members voted Nay: None. Whereupon the President declared the motion carried.

School Activity Bus Bid

Chief of Operations Ryan Whicker shared that transportation received two bids for the purchase of an activity bus. The recommendation from transportation was to reject all bids and accept the state bid from Southern Mobility at the cost of \$91,753.00. ***It was moved by Member Ali and seconded by Member Brock to reject all bids received and accept the state bid from Southern Mobility for \$91,753.00 (Doc. Reg. No. 3855).*** On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Ali, Arns, Brock, McNay, Petty, Sethaler, and Whitfield; and the following members voted Nay: None. Whereupon the President declared the motion carried.

School Buses Bid

It was moved by Member Ali and seconded by Member Sethaler to accept the bid from Central States for 20 buses — four 71-passenger, five 71-passenger with air conditioning and storage, five 33-passenger with air and two wheelchairs and six 48-passenger with air at an annual lease of \$546,476.30 (Doc. Reg. No. 3856). On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Ali, Arns, Brock, McNay, Petty, Sethaler, and Whitfield; and the following members voted Nay: None. Whereupon the President declared the motion carried.

Resolutions Authorizing Intervention in PTAB Appeal and Proceedings

It was moved by Member McNay and seconded by Member Arns to approve the resolutions authorizing intervention in assessment appeal filed before the State of Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board (Doc. Reg. No. 3857). On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Ali, Arns, Brock, McNay, Petty, Sethaler, and Whitfield; and the following members voted Nay: None. Whereupon the President declared the motion carried.

Resolution Providing for the Issue of General Obligation Bonds

It was moved by Member Ali and seconded by Member Arns to approve a Resolution providing for the issue of not to exceed \$7,200,000 general obligation schools bonds, series 2024 for the purpose of projects at the Academy, Baldwin, Early Childhood and Family Center, Flinn Stadium, Quincy Junior High School and Quincy High School, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest on the bonds, authorizing the deposit of the taxes levied to pay the bonds directly into a designated escrow account and authorizing the sale of the bonds to the purchaser thereof (Doc. Reg. No. 3858). On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Ali, Arns, Brock, McNay, Petty, Sethaler, and Whitfield; and the following members voted Nay: None. Whereupon the President declared the motion carried.

Executive Session

The Board did not go into Executive Session.

Personnel Addendum

It was moved by Member Petty and seconded by Member McNay to approve the Revised Personnel Addendum. On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Ali, Arns, Brock, McNay, Petty, Sethaler, and Whitfield; and the following members voted Nay: None. Whereupon the President declared the motion carried.

PERSONNEL CODES				
\$\$ - New operating Fund Position (increase in FTE) B - Paid for by Booster Clubs C - Change in classification or position O - Other P - New Project Fund position PR - Replacement for Project Fund position R - Replacement for vacant Operating Fund Position S - Summer School				
*REVISED PERSONNEL ADDENDUM <i>Quincy Board of Education</i> <i>January 24, 2024</i>				
CERTIFIED				
APPOINTMENT (EFFECTIVE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR-UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED)				
1	PR	ALEXSIS KROW - TITLE 1 EXTENDED DAY/ROONEY	01/08/2024	TIMESHEET \$30.00/HR
2	PR	AMY SLOUGH - TITLE 1 EXTENDED DAY/ROONEY	01/08/2024	TIMESHEET \$30.00/HR
3	PR	STEPHANIE STEPHENS - TITLE 1 EXTENDED DAY/ROONEY	01/08/2024	TIMESHEET \$30.00/HR
4	PR	BETH IZZO - TITLE 1 EXTENDED DAY/ROONEY	01/08/2024	TIMESHEET \$30.00/HR
5	PR	HEATHER HUMPHREY - TITLE 1 EXTENDED DAY/ROONEY	01/08/2024	TIMESHEET \$30.00/HR
6	PR	TONYA RODEMICH - TITLE 1 EXTENDED DAY/ROONEY	01/08/2024	TIMESHEET \$30.00/HR
7	R	KATHERINE HOGGE – 3 RD GRADE SPECIAL ED CO-TEACHER/DENMAN	01/12/2024	BA, STEP 0 \$19,254.40
8	R	KRISTEN RIZZO – TR (CBE) MATH TEACHER/QHS	02/05/2024	DOCTORATE, STEP 1 \$20,490.96
9	PR	JULIE ALLEN – TITLE 1 EXTENDED DAY/ROONEY	01/22/2024	TIMESHEET \$30.00/HR
10	\$\$	MEGAN GANNINGER – SPECIAL ED TEACHER/BALDWIN	01/22/2024	BA, STEP 0 \$18,379.20
11	*R	MATT SAFLEY – PE TEACHER/ROONEY	2024-2025	TBD
RESIGNATIONS				
12		JILL FAILOR – HEALTH OCCUPATIONS INSTRUCTOR/QAVTC	12/31/2024	
13		LYNN KLEINE – TEACHER/ROONEY	END OF 23-24 SCH YR	
LEAVE OF ABSENCE				
14		LYDIA ROTH – TEACHER/ROONEY	UPDATE	11/03/2023-12/11/2023
15		DAVE BROWN – TEACHER/ILES	UPDATE	11/27/2023-12/17/2023
16		SHANNA LONSBERRY – TEACHER/BALDWIN	UPDATE	12/11/2023-02/19/2024
17		MICHELLE STOUT – SAM/LINCOLN-DOUGLAS	UPDATE	10/21/2023-12/21/2023
18		LEXUS STARR – TEACHER/BALDWIN		02/21/2024-04/21/2024
19		HEATHER LAIR – TEACHER/QJHS	UPDATE	0 DAYS MISSED FOR FMLA
20		SARA CRAMER –DIRECTOR/ECFC	UPDATE	12/12/2023-01/03/2024
21		NOVA NOWAK – TEACHER/QJHS	UPDATE	09/15/2023-01/03/2024
22		TRISHA HILGENBRINCK – SPEECH PATHOLOGIST/ROONEY	UPDATE	10/11/2023-04/24/2024
23		TERESA ROSE – TEACHER/QHS	UPDATE	12/07/2023-01/03/2024
24		TAMMY FRENCH – TEACHER/QHS	UPDATE	12/15/2023-01/09/2024
25		KERI BERGMAN – TEACHER/ECFC	UPDATE	11/27/2023-01/31/2024
26		LAUREN WALGREN – TEACHER/ROONEY		03/04/2024-05/31/2024
27		HEATHER SCHRAGE – TEACHER/ILES	UPDATE	01/11/2024-01/22/2024
28		GRETA HECK – TEACHER/QJHS		01/12/2024-END OF 23-24 SCH YR (AS NEEDED)
29		MEGAN GRIFFARD – TEACHER/QJHS		04/26/2024-05/27/2024

30		MELISSA SEALS – TEACHER/ILES	UPDATE	12/05/2023-01/19/2024
EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT				
APPOINTMENT (EFFECTIVE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR)				
31	R	NANCY LEWIS – KITCHEN HELPER/LINCOLN-DOUGLAS	01/03/2024	173 DAYS STEP 0 \$15.45/HR
32	R	KIM REES – COOK/QJHS	01/05/2024	173 DAYS STEP 5 \$15.76/HR
33	\$\$	HARRISON FEY – ASST. BASEBALL COACH/QHS	2023-24 SCH YR	BOOSTER PAID - \$2,000.00
34	R	ALEXIS JONES – NIGHT CUSTODIAN/QJHS	01/22/2024	260 DAYS STEP 0 \$14,536.00
35	R	RICK LITTLE – ASST. VARSITY BASEBALL COACH/QHS	2023-24 SCH YR	STIPEND - STEP 0 \$3,403.78
36	R	MARK OHNEMUS – DRIVER/TRANSPORTATION	01/12/2024	176 DAYS STEP 0 \$19.70/HR
37	R	KIM GRIGGS – RIDER/TRANSPORTATION	01/16/2024	176 DAYS STEP 1 \$14.48/HR
38	R	KIMBERLY VOSHAK – KITCHEN HELPER/QHS	01/22/2024	173 DAYS STEP 0 \$15.45/HR
39	R	EVELYN HOLLANDER – ISS SUPERVISOR/ROONEY	01/25/2024	181 DAYS – STUDENT SUPPORT LEVEL C, STEP 5 \$16.30/HR
40	R	SHARON LEHMAN – PARA/ROONEY	01/22/2024	181 DAYS LEVEL C, STEP 3 \$16.93/HR
41	R	LINDA BARTA – PARA/LINCOLN-DOUGLAS	01/29/2024	181 DAYS LEVEL A, STEP 0 \$15.45/HR
42	O	GABRIEL VANDERBOL – SECURITY SUPERVISOR/BOE (SALARY CORRECTION – EFFECTIVE 11/29/23/DATE OF HIRE)	UPDATE	\$44,000.00 TO \$47,000.00
RESIGNATIONS				
43		SHAREY POPPENHAGER – DRIVER/TRANSPORTATION	12/31/2023	
44		KATHY TOURNEAR – RIDER/TRANSPORTATION	01/05/2024	
45		VANESSA VONBURG – PARA/ECFC	END OF 23-24 SCH YR	
46		RYAN COMLEY – NIGHT CUSTODIAN/QJHS	01/05/2024	
47		KELSEY THOMPSON –ASST. SOFTBALL COACH/QHS	01/08/2024	
48		LEANNA JOHNSON – PARA/ECFC	01/26/2024	
LEAVE OF ABSENCE				
49		PEGGY WILSON – CAFETERIA/LINCOLN-DOUGLAS	UPDATE	12/11/2023-01/03/2024
50		JEREMY DELAPORTE – TECHNOLOGY/BOE	UPDATE	11/30/2023-12/15/2023
51		JOHANNA SHAW – DRIVER/TRANSPORTATION	UPDATE	10/17/2023-01/16/2024
52		BERTHA COCKERILL – CAFETERIA/ILES	UPDATE	10/14/2023-01/03/2024
53		KASEY SAXBERY – ISS SUPERVISOR/QJHS	UPDATE	12/13/2023-01/03/2024
54		JENNIFER DEAN – PARA/QHS	UPDATE	11/16/2023-01/04/2024
55		BRUCE EWING – CUSTODIAN/LINCOLN-DOUGLAS	UPDATE	12/13/2023-01/02/2024
56		DANIELLE SCHLOSSER – CAFETERIA/DENMAN	UPDATE	10/13/2023-01/05/2024
57		TERESA SMITH – HEAD START TEACHER/ECFC	UPDATE	12/18/2023-01/08/2024
58		RONDA PHILLIPS – COOK & CHILDCARE ASSISTANT/ROONEY	UPDATE	08/15/2023-01/04/2024
59		AUDREY WOODWORTH – SSFL/THE ACADEMY		01/03/2024-02/07/2024
60		BRAD BERGMAN – SSFL/DENMAN	UPDATE	11/27/2023-01/31/2024 (AS NEEDED)
61		MEGAN LAROCHE – PARA/QJHS		01/16/2024-04/05/2024 (AS NEEDED)
62		SARAH SCHUCKMAN – PARA/LINCOLN-DOUGLAS		02/06/2024-03/18/2024
RETIREMENT				
63		DEBRA TALLCOTT – PHYSICAL THERAPIST/DISTRICT	10/01/2024	
64		RONDA PHILLIPS – COOK & CHILDCARE ASSISTANT/ROONEY	01/04/2024	

Student Discipline

It was moved by Member Ali and seconded by Member Arns to adopt the recommendation regarding a pre-expulsion disciplinary agreement for one QHS student. On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Ali, Arns, Brock, McNay, Petty, Sethaler,

and Whitfield; and the following members voted Nay: None. Whereupon the President declared the motion carried.

Adjournment

At 6:37 p.m., it was moved by Member McNay and seconded by Member Ali that the regular meeting adjourn. The motion carried with all in favor and the regular meeting was duly adjourned.

/s/ Shelley Arns
President

/s/ Kim Wert
Secretary