

Quincy Public Schools

UPDATE

SEPTEMBER 25, 2019



BOARD MEETING REVIEW FROM SUPERINTENDENT WEBB

School has been back in session just over a month and we have had an excellent start to the year. I have heard a lot of great comments on how smooth the transition to the two new buildings has been. Take time to thank the principals who put in extra time to make sure we had a smooth start. For the most part, construction was on time and ready to go. Dane Barnes and his team did an amazing job moving everyone into the new Baldwin and Denman Schools. There are just a few punch list items to be completed at the two new schools. The curtains and acoustical shell at the junior high auditorium will be installed in early October. Staff positions are 100% filled thanks to work by Director of Personnel Lisa Otten. The Competency Based Education Program has helped in filling positions. This program allows college grads with a competency in core teaching subjects like math or science to teach for two years while working on completing teacher certification. There are 11 teachers in the program. Support and guidance are provided and some are in co-teaching positions. There has been positive feedback from teachers on the new curriculum maps prepared by Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Kim Dinkheller. The maps are easy to follow for new teachers and detailed enough for all staff.

The Board adopted the 2019-2020 budget. The balanced budget includes a 2% increase in salaries, 6% increase in health insurance and over \$600,000 was added to hire 23 full-time support staff. Three years ago we had to make \$1.2 million in cuts. This year we are able to add back some positions based on the principals' priorities. We are building fund balances now. The District should end the year with nearly \$11.8 million in the operating funds. Chief Financial Officer Ryan Whicker has done an excellent job monitoring our revenue and helping us hold the line on expenses throughout the year. We have ended the past two years with a good surplus.

Student discipline is one area of concern. Ninety-five percent of our kids do great. They are engaged and learning. For five percent, there are some social-emotional concerns and mental health issues that teachers deal with in the classroom. I have scheduled a discipline summit during Quincy Conference to work with assistant principals and social emotional SAMS to develop a plan to address these concerns.

Roy Webb
Superintendent

REMINDER

QPS PROPERTY AUCTION—SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 28 Location/Times/Minimum Bid Below

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| Berrian School | 1437 S. 8th | 9:00 a.m. | \$15,000.00 |
| Berrian Lot | 9th & Jackson | 9:30 a.m. | \$10,000.00 |
| Adams School | 2001 Jefferson | 10:30 a.m. | \$200,000.00 |
| Ellington School | 3001 Lindell | 11:30 a.m. | \$10,000.00 |
| Madison School | 2435 Maine | 12:30 p.m. | \$200,000.00 |



PERSONNEL ITEMS

Appointments/Changes for 2019-2020

MIKE MCKINLEY – SPANISH QJHS PART-TIME. MEGAN WILLIAMS-GUIDANCE COUNSELOR QHS. GLORI DUESTERHAUS – PART-TIME CASE MANAGER QHS. GINA ASCHEMANN – FAMILY SUPPORT SPECIALIST ECFC. JENNIFER MUELLER – CHILD CARE ASST BALDWIN. PHIL ARMOUR-PART-TIME PATROL (YEAR-ROUND NIGHTS). JERRY TUZZO-PART-TIME LUNCH RELIEF GUARD.

Transportation Appointments

TERESA NEWLON – AM-MD-PM SEIU BUS RIDER. TIM OITKER – AM-PM QF DRIVING RT. FRED STEVENS – AM-PM NON-UNION BUS RIDER.

Resignations

CHERYL KOENIG – SP ED TUTOR NON-PUBLIC SCHOOLS. PAM PETERS - PARA LINCOLN-DOUGLAS. CHEYENNE BURNER – PARA ECFC. ADAM HARVEY – CUSTODIAN QJHS. TERESA NEWLON – FOOD SERVICE BALDWIN. HEATH HENDERSON – AM-PM QF DRIVER. CHRISTY WELLMAN – PARA QHS. HAROLD BRAXTON – CROSSING GUARD.

Quincy Public Schools Music Department 24TH ANNUAL OCTOBERFEST PARADE AND FIELD COMPETITION October 19, 2019

Parade travels west from
33rd & Maine @ 2 p.m.

Field Competition @ 5 p.m.
Flinn Stadium



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In other action, the Board approved:

- Policy Service June 2019 Policy Updates



House for Rent 300 S. 11th St.

2 bed, 1 1/2 bath, 2 car garage, small unfinished basement, year lease, no smoking, no pets. Call Janet 217-257-0581. Available mid October

Lower Level Apartment—430 N. 18th St.

2 bed, 1 bath, garage +off street parking, free access laundry, maintenance free year, year lease, no smoking, no pets. Call Janet 217-257-0581. Available mid-late October.



SICK LEAVE BANK OPEN ENROLLMENT

Open enrollment begins October 1 and ends October 11, 2019. If you are a member of the Quincy Federation Union and have completed one year of employment with QPS, you are eligible to enroll. Enrollment forms are available on the QPS website @ www.qps.org. Human Resources, Benefits, Sick Leave Bank, 2019 Enrollment Form. Or contact Teresa Kemp at the BOE
217-228-7158 ext. 2244.