

UPDATE

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FROM SUPERINTENDENT WEBB—BOARD MEETING REVIEW

At the March meeting, the Board approved the retirement of long-time music and fine arts director Kathi Dooley. She will retire in June 2020. Board President Sayeed Ali said that no one in this District has had a more positive impact on children. She has helped shape lives and inspired many to post high school success. Quincy's music program is unprecedented in the state and nation under her leadership. "You've been a hero for this district for the past 39 years, and you will always be a hero to this district and to the Blue Devil family," Ali said.

Three parents/community members addressed the Board regarding the QHS music theory class. The class has been discontinued. We will look at the course description and weight in the future. The grade weighted course required participation in two of three performance groups, private music instruction and participating in recital or solo contests. The curriculum guide for this course will be revised if the class is reinstated.

Four new courses were approved by the Board at last night's meeting. QAVTC *Electronics and Robotics Technology* will provide a comprehensive study of electronics theory and robotics technology. This is updated from a previous course. The *Quantitative Literacy and Statistics* class at QHS will help students prepare for postsecondary and career expectations. Completion of this course will allow students to enroll in college-level math without the need for remediation at an Illinois Community College. *SAT Preparation Online* and *Online Learning and Digital Citizenship* were also approved for next year as courses that are supplemental to the core curriculum.

The district sought bids for the lease of 21 school buses. Two bids were received but only one met the minimum specifications required. The bid was awarded to Central States at an annual payment of \$335,036 and a total cost of \$1,657,982. This includes seven 71-passenger buses, five 71-passenger buses with luggage, five 48-passenger buses with air conditioning and four 33 passenger buses with wheelchair capacity for two and air conditioning. The buses will replace five-year-old buses and are expected to arrive this summer.

An update on Baldwin and Denman construction projects was presented to the Building and Grounds Committee. Ninety percent of the classrooms are complete at Baldwin Elementary. Finish work continues in the media center, the main corridor and office areas. Some outside ground work has begun especially near the main entrance. Denman Elementary is slowly catching up. The canopy outside has been set so the entryway can be poured. Roofers are completing detail work. Asphalt will be laid as concrete is completed. Flooring is done in the 3-5 wing and flooring work will begin soon in the first grade wing. The gym is 90% painted and work is being completed on the kitchen and bathroom floors. The Board approved extending Construction Supervisor Dave Wombles' contract through September 30, 2019. He will oversee final details for Baldwin and Denman and also this summer's Health Life Safety Projects. Dave has done a fantastic job supervising construction of all the K-5 school projects and is very detail oriented. The District has been very fortunate to benefit from his experience, knowledge and skill.

Roy Webb
Superintendent

PERSONNEL

Appointments/Change in Assignment

KEN MCDONOUGH—ASST 7TH 8TH TRACK COACH.
JOHN WERT—LEARNING LAB QHS. CLAIRE REED,
GERALDINE WESTERHOFF—21ST CCLC EXT DAY
QJHS. LAURA KELLE—TITLE 1 EXT DAY
ABC/ACRSS. DEBRA SUPLEE—TITLE 1 EXT DAY K-
5. EMY HILGENBRINCK—PARA ECFC. LARRY PER-
RINE—KITCHEN HELPER DENMAN 2-5. RANDY
GREEN—DRIVER AM/PM ROUTE 20 HRS/WK. AN-
DREW TOPEL—AFTER SCH CHILD CARE SUPRVSR
ILES. SHARON TOPEL—CHILD CARE ASST ILES.
SHELLI DANNER, TAMIRA VAHLE—QHS EXT DAY
DRIVERS, ADDL 4 HRS/WK. DENNA MCCOLEZ—QF
UNION AM/PM ROUTE 20 HRS/WK.

Resignations

ANDREW HOSKINS—ASST SOCCER COACH QHS
3/11/19. REAINE WILSON—SPANISH
QHS/COACHING 3/11/19. TERRY WINTERS—JV
SOFTBALL COACH QHS 3/5/19. NICK HOLTSC-
LAG—READING QJHS END OF 2018-19 SCH YR.
MARK MARSOT—PE QHS END OF 2018-19 SCH YR.
HALEY PREWITT—COOK QHS 2/25/19. HEATHER
BATSON—PARA QHS 3/15/19. TERRI ADKINS—
COOK LDE 3/22/19. TAMMY MABIE—QHS EXT
DAY DRIVER ONLY 4 HRS/WK 3/14/19. RACHAEL
MICHAELSON—QF AM-PM RT DRIVER 20 HRS/WK
3/29/19. TIM MONETTI NIGHT CUSTODIAN QHS
4/2/19. DEBORAH DAVIS—KITCHEN HELPER DEN-
MAN END OF 2018-19 SCH YR. NANCY GAL-
LAHER—QHS EXT DAY DRIVER 4 HR/WK ONLY
3/18/19. TRACEE FARMER—RD RECOVERY
TEACHER LEADER 6/28/19. TRISTAN HERMSMEI-
ER—SP ED ILES END OF 2018-19 SCH YR. RACHEL
MYERS—KITCHEN HELPER ABC/ACRSS 4/5/19.

Retirements will be listed on the
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In other action, the Board approved:

- * \$14,000 cost for long jump and triple jump runway at Flinn—paid by athletic dept. and track program
- * QJHS Locker Room Renovation Bid—Waterkotte Construction \$198,556
- * QJHS Gym Floor Bid—Fischer Builders \$245,800 with alternate bid B-1 for leveling if necessary—\$46,000

SPRING BREAK

NO SCHOOL

Thursday, April 18—

Monday, April 22



QHS NEW FACES

The Quincy Senior High production of
New Faces is April 4 – April 6 at 7:30
p.m. and April 7 at 2:00 p.m.
in the QHS Theatre.
Contact QHS Music Dept.
for more information—217-224-3774

