

UPDATE

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FROM SUPERINTENDENT WEBB—BOARD MEETING REVIEW

The March 22nd Board meeting was held at the Board of Education Office. The School Board adopted the K-5 boundary plan for the five new schools. Dennis Williams and Rachael Petty, members of the Boundary Advisory Task Force (BATF), reviewed the process and goal of the committee. The boundaries were developed to balance demographics among the five elementary schools including socioeconomic demographics, race/ethnicity, and number of students with Individualized Education Programs. The BATF designed the boundaries to improve educational outcomes and opportunities for all students by achieving balanced demographics. The new boundary maps are available on the district's website. The BATF also presented additional recommendations related to the new boundaries. QPS currently allows parents to request to have their children attend a different elementary school other than the one in which they live. The Task Force said the Board should be aware that there were concerns raised by the community about the impact transfers could have on maintaining balanced enrollments and demographics. The five K-5 schools will require more students to be bussed. New schedules and routines will impact families. The BATF urged the Board and District to prepare guidance for dealing with the issues that may arise from so many unfamiliar with daily bus ridership. Adjustments in transportation services may be needed to better serve students, parents and families. As populations change throughout the District, the boundaries will need to be reviewed on a regular basis. The District also needs to work with the City of Quincy to optimize public transit to accommodate bus stops near new elementary schools. President Ali thanked the Task Force for their hard work in developing the boundaries. He thanked Board Members Jim Whitfield, Sheldon Bailey, principals, staff and community members who served on the Task Force.

The schematic design for the new elementary school at the Baldwin site was presented to the Board. The design calls for demolition to begin in the Baldwin North section and asbestos removal this summer when no students are in the building. New construction will begin in the mall area of Baldwin. The plan came in over budget leaving some Board Members questioning if there are some options to cut costs. The Baldwin schematic design was tabled to allow some time for further review. The Board could take action on the design at a special meeting in early April. A delay could affect timelines for demolition work to begin this summer.

The Board approved finalizing the purchase of the fifth and final K-5 school site at 42nd and Harrison Streets. The staffing plan for K-5 could be ready for Board approval in April.

Roy Webb
Superintendent

PERSONNEL

Appointments

RYAN WEBB—ASST VARSITY BASEBALL COACH QHS. BRIAN WALKER—HEAD SOPHOMORE BASEBALL COACH QHS. JOHANNA TERWELP—ASST 7/8 TRACK COACH QJHS. MARK BRASSFIELD—ASST 7/8 TRACK COACH QJHS. MATT PETERSON—ASST BASEBALL COACH QHS. TERRY WINTERS—ASST SOFTBALL COACH QHS. KASEY GASSENSMITH—ASST SOFTBALL COACH QHS. CLAIRE HUMMEL—21ST CCLC AFTERSCHOOL RUBRICS QJHS. KIM GRAVITT—KITCHEN HELPER WASH. TERRY SCHWARTZ—AM/PM IFT ROUTE. ALYSON TAPPE—PM ONLY IFT ROUTE. TOM MCKENNA—NIGHT CUST BALDWIN. JESSICA LEWIS—SIGN LANG INTERPRETER SP ED. SUSAN MAGGART—MIDDAY ECFC NON UNION ROUTE.

Leaves of Absence

ALLISON GABRIEL—LIT SUPPORT DEWEY 3/20/17. ANNETTE JOHNSON—ALGEBRA QHS TO 4/13/17. KELLY CROSSAN—ENGLISH QJHS 3/28 TO APPROX 4/25/17. TARA DICKS—ENG QJHS END OF 2016/17 SCHOOL YEAR. BARB OENNING—COOK DEWEY 4/5/17—END OF 2016-17. DAWN MITTELBERG—PARA QHS AS NEEDED THROUGH END OF 2016-17 SCHOOL YEAR. LAURA SLAUGHTER—HEAD START TEACHER 3/20—4/18/17.

Resignations.

JOSEPH SISTKO—KITCHEN HELPER QHS 3/4/17. BEHMAN SHOKOUHI—PARA QHS 3/31/17. LACEY FARWELL—PARA BALDWIN W 3/24/17. KEETHA COBB—AM/PM RIDER (RETAINS FOOD SERVICE POSITION) 2/27/17. CYNTHIA PIOCH—PARA BALDWIN N 3/31/17. BARB PIOCH—PARA ELLINGTON 3/24/17. TYLER DUSCHINSKY—PARA QJHS 3/3/17. MATT HARMON—AM/PM IFT 2/24/17. PATRICIA SMITH—PARA BALDWIN N END OF 2016-17. DANIELLE ARNOLD—PRINCIPAL QHS 6/30/17. JULIE RADEL—KDG BERRIAN END OF 2016-17. EMILY BEAN—ENG QHS END OF 2016-17. NATALI BODE—5TH BALDWIN W END OF 2016-17. BRAD BERGMAN—VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL COACH QHS 3/5/17. STEPHANIE DITTMER—CLINICAL INSTRUCTOR QAVTC 3/8/17. JENNIFER BRUNER—CLINICAL INSTRUCTOR—QAVTC 3/10/17. LINDSAY BURRY—9TH GIRLS BASKETBALL COACH QHS. 3/7/17. GREG WELLMAN—ASST GIRLS BASKETBALL COACH QHS 3/7/17. IAN MCUMBER-HOUSE—DISTRICT TECH SUPPORT 3/24/17. DEVIN ROHR—6TH MATH QJHS 3/20/17. ASHLEY AEILTS—MADISON (CURRENTLY ON LEAVE) END OF 2016-17.

Retirements

MARIA KLUKOWSKI—5TH GRADE BALDWIN S END OF 2016-17. JOYCE GARDNER—TRANS 3/1/17. LEREVA GLESNER—TRANS 6/2/17. DONALD COLLINS—TRANS 9/1/17. DENNIS PETERS—MAINT COORD SUPP SERV 2/28/18. CARROLL HILL—TRANS 3/1/17.

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QHS SUPER 70'S BASH

June 2-4, 2017

Join your QHS classmates for Super 70's Weekend in the Gem City as we say "so long" to our dear old school, portions of which are being razed for construction of a new K-5 school.



Register online at:
<https://www.payit2.com/event/90877>

You will need to pay with a major credit card or make check/money order payable to: **QHS Super 70s Bash.**

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