

**NORTHEAST AREA EDUCATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
APRIL 19, 2006**

Northeast Area Educational Advisory Council President Walter Hayes called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. at Pine Grove Middle School. Anita Bass, David Marks, Justin Wandres from the Northeast Area Educational Advisory Council also attended.

Walter Hayes introduced Delegate John Cluster, who reviewed the 2006 session of the Maryland General Assembly. Delegate Cluster noted that the state has sharply increased funding for education, both school construction and operations. Governor Ehrlich also signed a bill that improves teacher pensions. The General Assembly blocked a state takeover of underperforming Baltimore City public schools.

David Marks noted that there is controversy in the Perry Hall community about a proposed school bus depot at the site of the new public library near Honeygo Boulevard. He suggested that the school system communicate its plans to the community so this issue does not dominate an upcoming meeting on the library. The Northeast Area Educational Advisory Council voted in an email to oppose the school bus depot.

Several speakers expressed concern that heating and air conditioning systems are not being renovated at Parkville High School.

The new county budget includes full funding for the new Vincent Farm Elementary School and \$3 million to buy land for a new high school in northeastern or central Baltimore County.

Walter Hayes previewed upcoming meetings. The Northeast Area Educational Advisory Council will meet on Thursday, June 22 to elect new Officers. There will be a pre-budget meeting on Wednesday, September 27 and a meeting with new elected officials on Wednesday, November 15.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

David Marks, Secretary