

**BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**DATE:** April 24, 2007

**TO:** **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**FROM:** Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent

**SUBJECT:** **PROPOSED DELETION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 8240**  
**INTERNAL BOARD POLICIES: CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**ORIGINATOR:**

**RESOURCE**  
**PERSON(S):**

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Board of Education considers the deletion of Policy 8240. This is the first reading of this Policy.

Attachment I – Policy Analysis  
Attachment II – Proposed Policy 8240

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY RATIONALE**

Deletion of Board of Education Policy 8240  
*Internal Board Policies: Duties and Responsibilities:  
Conflict of Interest*

### Statement of issues or questions to be addressed by the proposed policy

The Ad Hoc Policy Committee is in the process of reviewing the Board's Internal policies. (8000 Series) The Committee has concluded that the Board of Education's Ethics Code Policies (8360 Series), adopted subsequent to the enactment of 8240, render this policy obsolete. As a result, the Committee is recommending deletion of this policy.

### Fiscal Impact on the school system

No fiscal impact is anticipated or contemplated by this revision.

### Related Policies and Rules

8360 Sub Series - Ethics Code

Policy 8360 - Definitions

Policy 8361 General

Policy 8362 Gifts to the Board of Education, Schools, and Offices within the School System

Policy 8363, Conflict of Interest

Policy 8364, Financial Disclosure

Policy 8365, Lobbying Disclosure

Policy 8366 Ethics Review Panel

### A draft of the proposed policy

See attached

### Other alternatives that were considered by the Board members

The Board Committee members did not consider other alternatives.

### Timeline

Opportunity for Citizen Comment, May 8, 2007

Proposed Date of Adoption, May 22, 2007

INTERNAL BOARD POLICIES: Duties and Responsibilities

Conflict of Interest

No member of the Board of Education, or officer, or employee shall have an interest in any purchase or contract with the school system with which he/she is affiliated unless such interest is specifically permitted by statute.

“Interest” shall mean pecuniary or material benefit accruing to a Board member, officer, or employee resulting from a contractual relationship with the school system.

Legal Reference: Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article  
§5-111 Conflict of interest prohibited

Policy  
Adopted: 4/13/72]

Board of Education of Baltimore County