

BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DATE: April 24, 2007

TO: **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

FROM: Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent

SUBJECT: **PROPOSED RE-ADOPTION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 8250 - INTERNAL BOARD POLICIES: ATTENDANCE OF BOARD MEMBERS AT BOARD MEETINGS**

ORIGINATOR:

RESOURCE PERSON(S):

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education considers the re-adoption of Policy 8250. This is the first reading of this Policy.

Attachment I – Policy Analysis
Attachment II – Proposed Policy 8250

BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY RATIONALE

Re-adoption of Board of Education Policy 8250

Internal Board Policies: Duties and Responsibilities:

Attendance of Board Members at Board Meetings

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) In light of the Committee's belief in the policy's continuing vitality and applicability, the Committee recommends that the policy be "readopted." (See, Policy 8130, Analysis)

Fiscal Impact on the school system

No fiscal impact is anticipated or contemplated by this revision.

Legal Requirements, such as federal, state or local laws or regulations

The Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland provides that, "with the approval of the Governor, the State Superintendent may remove any member of a county board for . . . failure to attend, without good cause, at least half of the scheduled meetings of the county board in any one calendar year." See, Md. Code Ann., §3-108.

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

Attendance of Board Members at Board Meetings

As appointees of the Governor of Maryland, members are required to attend not less than fifty percent (50%) of the regular meetings of the Board.

It shall be the policy of the Board that all members attend all meetings, both regular and special. The secretary-treasurer shall be notified of non-attendance in advance of the time of the meeting.

All necessary expenses of attending meetings relating to school matters, including transportation, meals, and registration fees, shall be charged to Board of Education funds.

Legal Reference: Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article
[§4-106 Meetings; officers; expenses.]
§3-108 APPOINTMENT, TERM,
AND REMOVAL FROM
COUNTY BOARD

Policy
Adopted: 4/13/72
READOPTED: _____

Board of Education of Baltimore County