DATE: May 22, 2012

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

FROM: Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent

SUBJECT: REPORT ON PROPOSED DELETION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION
POLICY 4302, TENURE AND NON-TENURE

ORIGINATOR: Renee A. Foose, Deputy Superintendent

RESOURCE PERSON(S): Donald Peccia, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

INFORMATION

That the Board of Education reviews the proposed deletion of Policy 4302. This is the first reading.

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Attachment I – Policy Analysis
Attached II – Policy 4302
POLICY ANALYSIS FOR
BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 4302
TENURE AND NON-TENURE

Statement of Issues or Questions Addressed
In accordance with Board of Education Policy and Superintendent’s Rule 8130, Policy 4302 is scheduled for review in school year 2011-2012. Policy 4302 articulates: (1) how a teacher obtains tenure; (2) the annual declaration of intent requirement. Staff is recommending that the policy be deleted. The process for granting tenure is simply a restatement of the teacher contract language found in the Code of Maryland Regulation (COMAR 13A.07.02.01). Further, the declaration of intent process is outlined in Department of Human Resources’ procedures. As such, the policy is not needed and should be deleted.

Cost Analysis and Fiscal Impact on School System
No fiscal impact anticipated by the deletion of this policy.

Relationship to Other Board of Education Policies
1. Board of Education Policy 4004, Evaluations

Legal Requirements
1. COMAR 13A.07.02.01, Contracts

Similar Policies Adopted by Other Local School Systems
A search of LEA policy websites was conducted and no similar policies were found.

Draft of Proposed Policy
Attached

Other Alternatives Considered by Staff
No other alternatives were considered

Timeline
First reading – May 22, 2012
Public comment – June 12, 2012
Third reading/vote – July 10, 2012
PERSONNEL: Professional Staff

Tenure and Non-Tenure

A teacher with a Professional Certificate must teach two (2) years successfully before being granted tenure. The non-tenured status of a probationary (second-year) teacher with a professional certificate may be extended to a third year with the approval of the Superintendent.

Teachers shall be asked annually whether they intend to accept reemployment in the school system and will be required, as appropriate, to indicate their plans.

Legal References: Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article, §6-102, Classes of teachers’ certificates. COMAR 13A.07.02.01, Contracts