DATE:    July 10, 2012

TO:    BOARD OF EDUCATION

FROM:    S. Dallas Dance, Ph.D., Superintendent

SUBJECT:    CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSED CHANGES TO BOARD OF
            EDUCATION POLICY 8210, OFFICERS, ELECTION

ORIGINATOR:    Margaret-Ann Howie, Esq., General Counsel

RESOURCE PERSON(S):    Patricia Clark, Policy and Compliance Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education approves the proposed changes to Policy 8210. This is the third reading.

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Attachment I – Policy Analysis
Attached II – Policy 8210
POLICY ANALYSIS FOR
BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 8210
OFFICERS, ELECTION
RENAMED AS, “BOARD OFFICERS – ELECTION AND TERM OF OFFICE”

Statement of Issues or Questions Addressed
In accordance with Policy and Rule 8130, Policy 8210 is scheduled for review in school year 2011-2012. Policy 8210 establishes the annual meeting for the selection of the president and vice president and the terms of office for these positions. Policy 8210 has been revised to: (1) rename the policy to more accurately reflect the policy’s content; (2) include a policy statement; (3) clarify that when a vacancy occurs, the Board may fill the position during election at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting; (4) conform with the Policy Review Committee’s editing conventions.

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

Relationship to Other Board of Education Policies
1. Board of Education Policy 8222, Officers, Duties: Secretary-Treasurer

Legal Requirements
1. Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article §4-102, County superintendent
2. Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article §4-107, Meetings; officers; expenses
3. Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article §4-204, Administration of office of county superintendent; general duties

Similar Policies Adopted by Other Local School Systems
1. Anne Arundel County Board of Education, Policy BBC, Board Organizational Meeting and Board Officers
2. Caroline County Board of Education, Policy BCB, School Board Officers
3. Frederick County Board of Education, Policy 101.2, Officers
4. Harford County Board of Education, Policy 22-0005-000, Board Officers – Election and Term of Office
5. Kent County Board of Education, Policy BDB, Board Officers
6. Prince George’s County Board of Education, Policy 9361, Meetings, Election of Officers

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
INTERNAL BOARD POLICIES: DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES [Organization]

BOARD Officers – [.] Election AND TERMS OF OFFICE

I. POLICY STATEMENT

A. At the first meeting in July of each year, the Board OF EDUCATION OF BALTIMORE COUNTY (BOARD) shall organize by electing a president and a vice president FROM AMONG ITS MEMBERS.

B. THE TERMS OF OFFICE FOR THE PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT [whose terms of office] shall be one year.

II. VACANCIES

A. ANY VACANCY [vacancies] in the offices of president and/or vice president shall be filled by an election at the next REGULARLY SCHEDULED [regular] Board meeting AFTER THE VACANCY OCCURS.

III. ELECTION

A. The Superintendent [of Schools] shall be the executive officer and secretary-treasurer of the Board. As secretary-treasurer to the Board, the Superintendent shall preside over the election for the office of president.

Legal References: ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, EDUCATION ARTICLE §4-102, COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT
Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article §4-107, Meetings; officers; expenses
ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, EDUCATION ARTICLE §4-204, ADMINISTRATION OF OFFICE OF COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT; GENERAL DUTIES
POLICY 8210

RELATED POLICY: BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 8222, SECRETARY-TREASURER

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