

TENTATIVE MINUTES**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND**

Tuesday, August 21, 2012

The Board of Education of Baltimore County met in closed session at 4:35 p.m. at Greenwood. President Lawrence E. Schmidt, Esquire, and the following Board members were present: Mr. Michael H. Bowler, Cornelia Bright Gordon, Esquire, Mr. Michael J. Collins, Mr. George J. Moniodis, Mr. H. Edward Parker, Ms. Valerie A. Roddy, Mr. David Uhlfelder, and Miss Olivia Adams. In addition, Mr. Kevin A. Hobbs, Deputy Superintendent, and staff members were present.

Mr. Schmidt reminded Board members of community functions and Board of Education events scheduled in August and September.

Pursuant to the Annotated Code of Maryland, State Government Articles, §§10-508(a)(1) and (a)(7), and upon motion of Mr. Moniodis, seconded by Mr. Parker, the Board commenced its closed session at 4:36 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

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Dr. Arrington reviewed with Board members personnel matters to be considered on the evening's agenda.

Dr. S. Dallas Dance, Superintendent of Schools, entered the room at 4:42 p.m.

Dr. Arrington exited the room at 5:15 p.m.

Mr. Hobbs exited the room at 5:16 p.m.

Ms. Howie reviewed with Board members the updated non-certificated professional employment contract for their consideration.

CLOSED SESSION MINUTES (cont)

Dr. Dance reviewed with Board members the personnel assignments as a result of organizational changes to be considered on the evening's agenda.

Mr. Hobbs re-entered the room at 5:20 p.m.

On motion of Mr. Uhlfelder, seconded by Ms. Roddy, the Board adjourned its closed session at 5:25 p.m. All staff exited the room.

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

The Board of Education of Baltimore County, Maryland, reconvened in open session at 6:33 p.m. at Greenwood. President Lawrence E. Schmidt, Esquire, and the following Board members were present: Mr. Michael H. Bowler, Cornelia Bright Gordon, Esquire, Mr. Michael J. Collins, Mr. George J. Moniodis, Mr. H. Edward Parker, Ms. Valerie A. Roddy, Mr. David Uhlfelder, and Miss Olivia Adams. In addition, Dr. S. Dallas Dance, Superintendent of Schools, and staff members were present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The open session commenced with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, which was led by Miss Olivia Adams, followed by a period of silent meditation for those who have served education in the Baltimore County Public Schools.

Mr. Schmidt informed the audience of the sessions in which Board members had participated earlier in the afternoon.

SELECTION OF SPEAKERS

After collecting completed sign-up cards, Mr. Schmidt announced the names of persons who would be speaking during the public comment portion of the meeting as well as the order in which the persons would be called.

Mr. Schmidt stated that public comment is one of the opportunities provided to hear the views and receive the advice of community members. The members of the Board appreciate hearing from interested citizens and will take their comments into consideration, even though it is not the Board's practice to take action at this time on issues which are raised. When appropriate, the Board will refer concerns to the superintendent for follow-up by his staff.

While the Board encourages public input on policy, programs, and practices within the purview of this Board and this school system, this is not the proper avenue to address specific student or employee matters, or to comment on matters that do not relate to public education in Baltimore County. The Board encourages everyone to utilize existing avenues of redress for complaints. Inappropriate personal remarks or other behavior that disrupts or interferes with the conduct of this meeting are out of order.

Mr. Schmidt also asked speakers to observe the timer, which lets the speaker know when time is up. He asked speakers to conclude their remarks when they see his/her time is up.

ADVISORY AND STAKEHOLDER COMMENTS

Ms. Abby Beytin, President of the Teachers Association of Baltimore County, reported on her school visits with the Superintendent and Mr. John Desmone.

Ms. Jacki Brewster, President of the PTA Council of Baltimore County, stated that the Council and local PTA members want to belong to Team BCPS.

Mr. John Desmone, Executive Director of the Council of Administrative and Supervisory Employees (CASE), thanked the Superintendent for “walking the walk” and “talking the talk.” He stated that CASE was disappointed that the financial disclosure form would not be revisited this year.

Ms. Jasmine Shriver, Coordinator of the Area Education Advisory Councils (AEAC), stated that the councils are excited about how each one fits into the revised organization. She announced that there will be a joint AEAC meeting on October 25, 2012, and invited all stakeholder groups to attend the meeting.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Dr. Bash Pharoan stated that the headquarters sign on Charles Street is old and should be replaced with a neon one. He asked that the Muslim holidays be included on the school calendar.

Mrs. Barbara McLendon stated that a fence around Pinewood Elementary School would be desirable in order to promote safety.

Ms. Diane Reynolds stated that she is looking forward to her son being part of Imagine Discovery Public Charter School’s 8th grade graduating class of 2017.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (cont)

Mr. Charles Sydnor, III asked the Board to approve the Superintendent's recommendation and extend Imagine Discovery Public Charter School's agreement for two years.

Ms. Carlette Flowers acknowledged her support of the Superintendent's recommendation to continue the Imagine Discovery agreement.

OLD BUSINESS

Imagine Discovery Public Charter School's Agreement

Mr. Schmidt read the following resolution for the Board's consideration:

WHEREAS, The Board of Education of Baltimore County entered into a Charter School Agreement with Imagine Baltimore County, LLC, doing business as Discovery Public Charter School on January 30, 2008, for a term of four (4) fiscal years, through June 30, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the terms of the Charter School Agreement, the Charter School could apply for an extension of the Agreement during the first three months of the last fiscal year of the term of the existing Agreement; and

WHEREAS, The Charter School sought an extension of the Charter School Agreement, but not in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS, The Superintendent has conducted a review of the Charter School and has given the Board an update on its operation; and

WHEREAS, The Superintendent, as a result of that review, has recommended that the Board extend the Charter School Agreement for two school years – 2012-2013 and 2013-2014, under several conditions, including reopening the Charter School Agreement to address several issues; jointly conducting a "soft evaluation" in January, 2013, to monitor first semester student achievement; and having a third party complete a full evaluation at the end of the 2012-2013 school year, after which the Board will decide, by no later than November, 2013, whether a further extension will be granted; and

WHEREAS, The Superintendent has further recommended that the Charter School Agreement be amended to reflect these changes and to place greater accountability on Imagine Discovery Charter School; and

OLD BUSINESS (cont)

WHEREAS, The Board of Education agrees, in principle, with the recommendations made by the Superintendent; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby directs the Superintendent to communicate with the Charter School regarding the requisite terms of an amended Charter School Agreement, to contain the terms set forth in the Superintendent's recommendations to the Board and after the Charter School has indicated its acceptance, to present the final Agreement to the Board for its approval.

On motion of Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Moniodis, the Board approved the recommendation of extending the charter agreement as noted in the above resolution (favor-7; opposed-2). Ms. Bright Gordon and Mr. Parker opposed extending the agreement.

PERSONNEL MATTERS

On motion of Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Uhlfelder, the Board approved the personnel matters as presented on exhibits B (Copies of the exhibits are attached to the formal minutes).

On motion of Ms. Roddy, seconded by Mr. Parker, the Board approved the administrative appointments as presented in exhibit C (Copy of the exhibit is attached to the formal minutes).

RECOGNITION OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

Dr. Dance recognized the following administrative appointments for August 21, 2012:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>From</u> | <u>To</u> |
|---|---|--|
| <u>MARK S. BROWN</u> (Effective August 22, 2012) | Assistant Principal Anne Arundel County Public Schools Arundel High School | Principal Windsor Mill Middle School |
| <u>PATRICIA A. LAWTON</u> (Effective August 22, 2012) | Assistant Superintendent, Elementary Schools | Chief Academic Officer |
| <u>JOHN L. MAYO</u> (Effective August 22, 2012) | Administrator Middle Schools | Assistant Superintendent Middle Schools |

RECOGNITION OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS (const)

| <u>Name</u> | <u>From</u> | <u>To</u> |
|---|---|-------------------------------------|
| <u>JOSHUA P. PARKER</u> (Effective August 22, 2012) | Teacher/English Windsor Mill Middle School | Title I GAP Reduction Specialist |
| <u>MICHAEL G. SINES</u> (Effective August 22, 2012) | Executive Director Department of Physical Facilities | Chief Operations Officer |

ORGANIZATION CHARTS FOR 2012-2013

Mr. Collins moved to approve the revised Baltimore County Public Schools' (BCPS) organization charts for 2012-2013. The motion was seconded by Mr. Moniodis.

The Board approved the proposed Baltimore County Public Schools' organization, as presented in exhibit D (favor-9; opposed-0; abstained-0).

ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

On motion of Ms. Roddy, seconded by Mr. Parker, the Board confirmed the action taken in closed session approving the Non-Certificated Professional Employee Contract. (favor-9; opposed-0; abstained-0).

REPORTS

The Board received the following reports:

- A. **Update on the Northwest Area Feasibility Forecast Study** – Ms. Kara Calder reported on the increased enrollment projections in the northwest area. Enrollment in the northwest area is projected to increase from 22,306 in 2011 to 23,516 in 2016 and then to 24,568 in 2021. This represents an increase of 10.1% over ten years. In March 2012, BCPS engaged Sage Policy Group and Cropper GIS to analyze growth options and strategies by community and by school clusters. The report indicates that “the most viable approach is a combination of all four strategies in which the first three provide a greater balance of existing capacity and new construction of approximately 1,500 elementary school seats provides additional capacity needed over the next ten years.”

REPORTS (cont)

The full document is available on the BCPS Web site at:
<http://www.bcps.org/board/exhibits/2012/082112ExhibitE.pdf>

Mr. Schmidt asked what a “modification of grade configuration” is. Ms. Calder responded that, in schools where there is prekindergarten, the school system can relocate programs and modify the grade configuration. Ms. Calder stated that the consultant suggests that this option could provide long term relief. The school system would need to analyze the consultant’s findings against the system’s instructional needs and balance enrollment growth throughout the county.

Mr. Schmidt asked whether the 1,500 seats for new construction translate into additional seats. Ms. Calder responded that the approach would be a combination of strategies, including new construction over the next ten years. This study stops short of dictating the “how” and does not fully consider the school system’s capital issues.

Mr. Uhlfelder requested a map showing the elementary schools and their boundaries identified by cluster as created for the purpose of this study.

Mr. Uhlfelder inquired about the one site listed in the property bank. Ms. Calder stated that the site is Randal Ridge and it is adjacent to Randallstown High School. Mr. Uhlfelder asked whether the \$9 million was available for land acquisition. Ms. Calder responded that the school system will continue to work with Baltimore County Department of Land Acquisition to acquire a site.

- B. Discussion on the Proposed Fiscal Year 2014 State Capital Budget Request –**
Ms. Barbara Burnopp, Chief Financial Officer, reviewed the projects in priority order and provided background information on the capital budget process.

Board members provided questions to staff in advance of the work session. Those questions were:

- Besides the schools included in the Fiscal Year 2014 capital budget, how many schools remain without air conditioning by school level? If the entire capital budget request is funded, there would be 45 schools without air conditioning: 30 elementary; 8 middle; and 7 high schools.
- Did Sparks Elementary School have any previous additions? The school had no previous additions. It is currently under renovation for a 200-seat addition. The school was constructed in 1997.

REPORTS (cont)

Ms. Roddy asked what the current capacity of Sparks Elementary School is; Ms. Calder answered 410. The addition would take the capacity to 600 seats.

Ms. Bright Gordon asked whether air conditioning was included as part of a renovation project; Mr. Michael Sines, Chief Operations Officer, responded in the affirmative.

INFORMATION

The Board received the following as information:

- A. Revised Superintendent's Rule 3240 – NON-INSTRUCTINAL SERVICES: Purchasing-Modification of Award of Contract
- B. Revised Superintendent's Rule 7330 – NEW CONSTRUCTION: Financing-Capital projects that are Funded by Private Donations

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Schmidt made the following announcements:

- On August 15, 2012, the public was informed that BCPS-TV and BC-TV suspended broadcasting during the station's move to the new George Washington Carver Center for Arts and Technology. Therefore, tonight's Board of Education meeting can be viewed on the BCPS Web page at www.bcps.org/board on or about the afternoon of Wednesday, August 22, 2012.
- The Board of Education will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, September 4, 2012, at Perry Hall High School. The meeting will begin with an open session at approximately 5:00 p.m. The Board will then adjourn to meet in closed session. The open session will reconvene at approximately 7:00 p.m. The public is welcome to all open sessions.

ADJOURNMENT

Because there was no further business, the Board adjourned its meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Dallas Dance, Ph.D.
Secretary-Treasurer

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TENTATIVE MINUTES

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

Tuesday, September 4, 2012

The Board of Education of Baltimore County met in closed session at 5:15 p.m. at Perry Hall High School. President Lawrence E. Schmidt, Esquire, and the following Board members were present: Cornelia Bright Gordon, Esquire, Mr. James E. Coleman, Mr. Rodger C. Janssen, Mr. George J. Moniodis, Mr. H. Edward Parker, Ms. Valerie A. Roddy, Mr. David Uhlfelder and Miss Olivia Adams. In addition, Dr. S. Dallas Dance, Superintendent of Schools, and staff members were present.

Mr. Schmidt reminded Board members of community functions and Board of Education events scheduled in September and October.

Pursuant to the Annotated Code of Maryland, State Government Articles, §§10-508(a)(1), (a)(7), and (a)(8), and upon motion of Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Janssen, the Board commenced its closed session at 5:17 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

The Board of Education of Baltimore County, Maryland, met in closed session at 5:19 p.m. at Perry Hall High School, Room 113. President Lawrence E. Schmidt, Esquire, and the following Board members were present: Mr. Michael H. Bowler, Cornelia Bright Gordon, Esquire, Mr. James E. Coleman, Mr. Michael J. Collins, Mr. Rodger C. Janssen, Mr. George J. Moniodis, Mr. H. Edward Parker, Ms. Valerie A. Roddy, Mr. David Uhlfelder, and Miss Olivia Adams. In addition, Dr. S. Dallas Dance, Superintendent of Schools, and the following staff members were present: Mr. Kevin A. Hobbs, Deputy Superintendent; Ms. Michele O. Prumo, Chief of Staff; Mr. Michael G. Sines, Chief Operations Officer; Mr. Dale R. Rauenzahn, Executive Director, Student Support Services; Dr. Alpheus Arrington, Director, Human Resources; Margaret-Ann F. Howie, Esquire, General Counsel; Anjanette L. Dixon, Esq., Associate General Counsel; Andrew W. Nussbaum, Esquire, Counsel to the Board of Education; and Ms. Brenda Stiffler, Administrative Assistant to the Board.

Dr. Arrington reviewed with Board members personnel matters to be considered on the evening's agenda.

Dr. Arrington and Ms. Howie exited the room at 5:32 p.m.

Mr. Nussbaum provided legal advice on a summary affirmance for the Board's consideration.

Ms. Howie re-entered the room at 5:42 p.m.

Ms. Howie provided an update to Board members on potential litigation regarding a school incident.

CLOSED SESSION MINUTES (cont)

Mr. Bowler exited the room at 5:44 p.m. Mr. Bowler re-entered the room at 5:45 p.m.

On motion of Mr. Uhlfelder, seconded by Mr. Parker, the Board adjourned its closed session at 6:00 p.m. for a brief dinner recess.

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

The Board of Education of Baltimore County, Maryland, reconvened in open session at 7:03 p.m. at Perry Hall High School. President Lawrence E. Schmidt, Esquire, and the following Board members were present: Mr. Michael H. Bowler, Cornelia Bright Gordon, Esquire, Mr. James E. Coleman, Mr. Michael J. Collins, Mr. Rodger C. Janssen, Ms. Ramona N. Johnson, Mr. George J. Moniodis, Mr. H. Edward Parker, Mr. David Uhlfelder, and Miss Olivia Adams. In addition, Dr. S. Dallas Dance, Superintendent of Schools, and staff members were present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The open session commenced with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, which was led by Miss Sem Han, a senior at Perry Hall High School, followed by a period of silent meditation for those who have served education in the Baltimore County Public Schools.

Hearing no additions or corrections to the Open and Closed Minutes of August 7, 2012, Mr. Schmidt declared the minutes approved as presented on the Web site.

Mr. Schmidt informed the audience of the sessions in which Board members had participated earlier in the afternoon.

SELECTION OF SPEAKERS

Mr. Schmidt announced that no one from the public had signed-up to speak.

ADVISORY AND STAKEHOLDER COMMENTS

Miss Breana Echols, Baltimore County Student Council President and member of the Superintendent's Student Council Advisory Group, reported that there would be a 12-hour training session on Saturday, September 8 in preparation for the Leadership Workshop at Camp Ramblewood on September 20 and 21.

ADVISORY AND STAKEHOLDER COMMENTS (cont)

Mr. Bob Anzelc, a representative of the Teachers Association of Baltimore County, commended the staff at Perry Hall High School for their quick response to last week's incident.

Ms. Frances Craig, Northern Cluster Vice President of the PTA Council of Baltimore County, stated that September is the month to promote the value of PTA and PTSA membership.

Ms. Beverly Coleman, Chair of the Southwest Area Education Advisory Council, announced that the Council's first meeting of the school year would be held on Wednesday, September 19, 2012, at Lansdowne Elementary School with the discussion focusing on the Common Core Standards.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

No one from the public signed up to speak.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Dance reported on the following items:

- Mr. Kevin Lyles, a well-known music executive, sponsored a back-to-school festival at Security Square Mall on August 25.
- The Annual Magnet Expo! would be held on Saturday, September 15, 2012, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel Atrium.
- Six community meetings will be held throughout September and October to discuss education and school related issues.
- Information from the transition report and community meetings will be considered in creating and refining the *Blueprint 2.0*.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Schmidt stated that the Board wishes a speedy recovery to the Perry Hall High School and Woodlawn High School students who were injured last week. He stated that the Board expresses its appreciation to Principal George Roberts, the staff at Perry Hall High School, and to its students for responding quickly and responsibly during the incident.

Mr. Schmidt recognized Senator Kathy Klausmeier. Senator Klausmeier thanked the Board for traveling to Perry Hall and holding Board meetings throughout the county. She thanked Perry Hall High School staff, police, and emergency medical services for their efforts in maintaining order and control during last week's incident. Senator Klausmeier stated that she was glad that Principal Roberts held a community meeting to further discuss the issue.

OLD BUSINESS

FY14 Proposed State Capital Budget

Mr. Parker moved to adopt the FY14 State Capital State budget, as presented in exhibit B. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion.

The Board approved the State Capital budget request (favor-10). Miss Adams, the student representative, did not vote.

PERSONNEL MATTERS

On motion of Mr. Janssen, seconded by Mr. Coleman, the Board approved personnel matters as presented on exhibits B, C, D, E, and F (Copies of the exhibits are attached to the formal minutes).

On motion of Mr. Janssen, seconded by Mr. Parker, the Board approved the administrative appointments as presented in exhibit G (Copy of the exhibit is attached to the formal minutes).

Dr. Dance recognized the administrative appointments approved by the Board.

| <u>Name</u> | <u>From</u> | <u>To</u> |
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| <u>MARK T. BEDELL</u> (Effective September 5, 2012) | High School Improvement Officer Houston Independent School District | Assistant Superintendent, High School |
| <u>MARIA A. EVERETT</u> (Effective September 5, 2012) | Specialist, Secondary Mathematics Office of Mathematics PreK-12 | Coordinator, Secondary Mathematics Office of Mathematics PreK-12 |
| <u>HEATHER B. INSLEY</u> (Effective September 5, 2012) | Teacher/Resource Office of Title I | Specialist Office of Title I |
| <u>REBECCA E. SEWELL</u> (Effective September 5, 2012) | Mentor, Teacher in Residence Dundalk Middle School | Specialist, Elementary Mathematics Office of Mathematics, PreK-12 |

ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

On motion of Mr. Janssen, seconded by Mr. Collins, the Board confirmed the action taken in closed session in Case Number H.E. 13-01. (favor-11).

BUILDING AND CONTRACT AWARDS

The Building and Contracts Committee, represented by Mr. Parker, recommended approval of items 1-6 (exhibit H).

The Board approved these recommendations.

1. RGA-120-07 Contract Modification: Maryland's Tomorrow/AdvancePath Academy
2. PCR-295-08 Contract Modification and Extension: Computers and Associated Peripherals
3. RGA-112-12 Contract Modification and Extension: Nonpublic Special Education Facilities
4. PCR-258-13 Physical Exams
5. PCR-260-13 Telephone Repair Supplies
6. MWE-845-13 Three-Dimensional Printers

DANCE FLOOR AT JACKSONVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Ms. Patricia Lawton, Chief Academic Officer, reported that this project is to be funded in its entirety by Carroll Manor Recreation Council (CRMC) Dance Program. All project overruns as well as future maintenance or repairs are to be funded by the CMRC Dance Program. The cost of the floor installation as well as any future maintenance or repairs are covered in the operating budget of the dance program, and approval for funding this floor has been given by the Board of Directors for Carroll Manor Recreation Council.

On motion of Mr. Uhlfelder, seconded by Mr. Janssen, the Board unanimously approved the installation of a dance floor at Jacksonville Elementary School as presented in exhibit I (favor-11).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Schmidt made the following announcements:

- The Southeast Area Education Advisory Council will hold its first meeting of the school year on Monday, September 10, 2012, at Deep Creek Middle School beginning at 7:00 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (cont)

- The Board of Education will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, September 18, 2012, at Greenwood. The meeting will begin with an open session at approximately 5:00 p.m. The Board will then adjourn to meet in closed session. The work session will reconvene at approximately 7:00 p.m. The public is welcome to all open sessions.

ADJOURNMENT

Because there was no further business, the Board adjourned its meeting at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Dallas Dance, Ph.D.
Secretary-Treasurer

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