

BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DATE: February 19, 2013

TO: **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

FROM: S. Dallas Dance, Superintendent

SUBJECT: **REPORT ON PROPOSED CHANGES TO BOARD OF EDUCATION
POLICY 7310, DETERMINATION OF SCHOOL DESIGN AND
CONSTRUCTION COSTS**

ORIGINATOR: Michael Sines, Chief Operations Officer

**RESOURCE
PERSON(S):** Pradeep Dixit, Executive Director, Physical Facilities

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education reviews the proposed revisions to Policy 7310.
This is the first reading.

Attachment I – Policy Analysis
Attachment II – Policy 7310

**POLICY ANALYSIS FOR
BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 7310**

**DETERMINATION OF SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION COSTS
RENAMED AS, "DETERMINATION OF SCHOOL DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION COSTS"**

Statement of Issues or Questions Addressed

In accordance with the Board of Education Policy and Superintendent's Rule 8310, Policy 7310 is scheduled for review in school year 2012-2013. Policy 7310 outlines the procedures for determining school construction costs. Staff is recommending that the policy be revised to: (1) rename the policy to more accurately reflect the intent of the policy; (2) include a policy statement that details the Board's commitment to designing schools that support educational programs and promote student achievement; and (3) 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 3210, *Purchasing Guidelines*
2. Board of Education Policy 3225, *Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment*
3. Board of Education Policy 7110, *Determining Needs*
4. Board of Education Policy 7250, *School Building Design*

Legal Requirements

1. *Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article §4-115, Acquisition and Disposition of Real Property; Construction, etc., of School Buildings*
2. *Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article §5-107, Appropriations and Expenditures for Capital Projects*
3. *Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article §5-301, State Payment of Certain Public School Construction and Capital Improvement Costs*
4. *Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article §5-303, Renovation of Existing School Buildings*
5. *Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article §5-312, Application of High Performance Building Standards*

Similar Policies Adopted by Other Local School Systems

1. Howard County Board of Education, Policy 6020, *School Planning/School Construction Programs*
2. St. Mary's County Board of Education, Policy FEF, *Construction Cost Estimates*

Draft of Proposed Policy

Attached

Other Alternatives Considered by Staff

No other alternatives were considered.

Timeline

First reading – February 19, 2013

Public comment – March 5, 2013

Third reading/vote – April 23, 2013

NEW CONSTRUCTION: Financing
Determination of School DESIGN AND Construction Costs

I. POLICY STATEMENT

- A. THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF BALTIMORE COUNTY (BOARD) RECOGNIZES ITS RESPONSIBILITY TO BUILD EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES, ADDITIONS, AND RENOVATIONS TO PROVIDE AN OPTIMUM LEARNING ENVIRONMENT IN A COST-EFFECTIVE MANNER.

II. IMPLEMENTATION

- A. THE BOARD DIRECTS THE SUPERINTENDENT TO IMPLEMENT THIS POLICY. [establish administrative procedures for the determination of school construction costs. These procedures shall conform to pertinent laws and regulations of the state of Maryland Interagency Committee on School Construction, Baltimore County, and policies of the Board of Education of Baltimore County. Furthermore, these procedures shall be subject to such local intergovernmental agreements as may be entered into by the Board of Education.]

LEGAL REFERENCES: *ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, EDUCATION ARTICLE §4-115, ACQUISITION AND DISPOSITION OF REAL PROPERTY; CONSTRUCTION, ETC., OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS*
ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, EDUCATION ARTICLE §5-107, APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS
ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, EDUCATION ARTICLE §5-301, STATE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COSTS
ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, EDUCATION ARTICLE §5-303, RENOVATION OF EXISTING SCHOOL BUILDINGS

*ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, EDUCATION
ARTICLE §5-312, APPLICATION OF HIGH
PERFORMANCE BUILDING STANDARDS*

POLICY 7310

RELATED POLICIES: BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 3210, *PURCHASING
GUIDELINES*
BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 3225, *FURNITURE,
FIXTURES, AND EQUIPMENT*
BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 7110, *DETERMINING
NEEDS*
BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 7250, *SCHOOL
BUILDING DESIGN*

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