

BUILDING AND CONTRACT AWARDS

The Building and Contracts Committee, represented by Ms. Bright Gordon, recommended approval of items 1 through 33 in exhibit R. Mr. Uhlfelder separated items 18-19, 22-25, and 33 for further discussion.

In regards to item #8, Mr. Bowler asked for additional information. Mr. Richard Gay, Manager of Purchasing, stated that eCatalog--Textbooks is an electronic platform that BCPS uses for approved curriculum that allows schools to order electronically necessary classroom materials. Mr. Janssen asked what budget funds this item. Mr. Gay responded the dollars are part of each school's operating budget.

Mr. Collins re-entered the room at 8:33 p.m.

Mr. Bowler asked for additional information regarding item 5. Mr. Gay stated that this contract is to extend professional development for all levels of math teachers for another three years. Mr. Bowler asked whether there has been any evidence of the success of this program. Ms. Patricia Lawton, Chief Academic Officer, responded that there is a report available about the efficacy of the program.

The Board approved items #1-12, 20-21, and 26-32.

1. PCR-281-10 Contract Modification: Audio-Visual Equipment
2. PCR-204-11 Contract Modification: Field Trip Transportation Services
3. MWE-810-12 Contract Modification: Multimedia Communication Equipment
4. RGA-122-04 Contract Modification and Extension: Absence Management System for Teachers and Substitute Teachers
5. RGA-134-09 Contract Modification and Extension: Math Teacher Professional Development Institute
6. JNI-729-11 Contract Modification and Extension: School Social Worker – Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
7. MWE-865-13 Automobiles and Trucks
8. JMI-625-13 eCatalog -- Textbooks
9. MWE-870-13 Elevator Repair and Preventive Maintenance, Lift Preventive Maintenance
10. RGA-117-13 Job Order Contract for Construction and Facility and Maintenance Repair and Operations
11. MWE-875-13 Information Technology (IT) Business Systems Analyst/Program Manager
12. MWE-872-13 Magnet Program Audit

BUILDING AND CONTRACT AWARDS (cont)

20. JMI-624-13 Video Surveillance System at Various Elementary Schools
21. MBU-508-13 Stadium Improvements – Patapsco High School and Center for the Arts
26. JNI-719-13 General John Stricker Middle School: HVAC Renovations
27. MBU-521-13 Roof Design and Construction Administration Services – Chapel Hill Elementary School
28. JNI-748-13 Roof Design and Construction Administration Services Cromwell Valley Magnet School
29. PCR-283-13 Roof Design and Construction Administration Services – Glenmar Elementary School
30. JMI-626-13 Roof Design and Construction Administration Services – Middleborough Elementary School
31. PCR-284-13 Roof Design and Construction Administration Services – Riverview Elementary School
32. PCR-285-13 Roof Design and Construction Administration Services – Scotts Branch Elementary School

Item #18

Mr. Uhlfelder would like to see a list of contracts and the contingency amounts. He also requested a report on the progress of the school system attempting to recover the funds.

Ms. Bright Gordon asked whether the architect, construction manager or contractor was bonded. Mr. Pradeep Dixit, Executive Director of Physical Facilities, stated that the contractor was bonded and authorized by BCPS to complete the work. BCPS authorized the contractor to proceed with the work to meet the deadline. Items #18 and 19 are change orders for work that has already been completed above the contingency amount. Mr. Michael Sines, Chief Operations Officer, explained that the contingency exceeded 10%. Board policy requires approval to increase the contingency. The project manager made an administrative decision to move the project forward so that the school could open on time and protect the interest of the Board.

Mr. Parker stated that this is an example as to why ISO procedures should be instituted within the Office of Physical Facilities. He asked for a report in June on the progress in implementing ISO procedures in the Office of Physical Facilities.

BUILDING AND CONTRACT AWARDS (cont)

Mr. Uhlfelder asked whether the school system would pursue the recovery of \$51,000. Mr. Sines stated that the school system is looking at recovering the loss of costs through in-kind services.

On motion of Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Uhlfelder, the Board approved item 18 (favor-10; abstained-1). Ms. Williams abstained from voting on this item.

18. PCR-270-10 Contract Modification: Construction Package Ceramic Tile (9B) Contract – George Washington Carver Center for Arts & Technology

Item #19

On motion of Mr. Parker, seconded by Ms. Roddy, the Board approved item 19 (favor-10; abstained-1). Ms. Williams abstained from voting on this item.

19. PCR-270-10 Contract Modification: Construction Package Resilient Flooring (9D) Contract – George Washington Carver Center for Arts & Technology

Items #22-25

Mr. Uhlfelder asked who the construction manager for these contracts was. Mr. Dixit responded Gantt Fleming.

On motion of Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. McDaniels, the Board approved spending authority for items 22 through 25.

22. MWE-868-13 Lutherville Area Elementary School Construction at Mays Chapel Construction Package 3A – Concrete
23. MWE-868-13 Lutherville Area Elementary School Construction at Mays Chapel Construction Package 4A - Masonry
24. MWE-868-13 Lutherville Area Elementary School Construction at Mays Chapel Construction Package 5A – Structural Steel
25. MWE-868-13 Lutherville Area Elementary School Construction at Mays Chapel Construction Package 15A – Mechanical/Plumbing

BUILDING AND CONTRACT AWARDS (cont)

Item #33

Mr. Uhlfelder asked why there is a contingency on a service contract. Mr. Dixit responded that there could be unforeseen requests that the school system is unaware of at this time. Dr. Dance stated that the amount of work that the school system is requesting could be outside of the scope of work. In cases where the school system would have to go to the contingency, the Board would be notified in the Weekly Update/Friday Letter.

Ms. Williams stated that she is uncomfortable approving contracts with no term limits.

Mr. Janssen moved to amend the contract by deleting the contingency amount of \$50,000. The motion was seconded by Ms. Roddy and approved by the Board (favor-10; opposed-1). Mr. Parker opposed the amendment to this contract.

On motion of Mr. Janssen, seconded by Mr. Uhlfelder, the Board approved the amended contract--item #33.

33. Consultant Selection for the Development of a Long-Term Capital Improvement Plan

Items #13-17

On motion of Mr. Janssen, seconded by Mr. Parker, the Board approved items 13 through 17.

13. JN1-750-13 School Signs
14. MWE-862-13 Science Kits – Develop and Supply
15. JN1-752-13 Take Home Educational Materials
16. MWE-866-13 Tire Recapping
17. PCR-263-13 Wood Floor Refinishing

PROPOSED BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

Mr. Schmidt reviewed the proposed Board meeting dates for the upcoming year with Board members.

Ms. Williams moved that the Board approve the proposed Board Meeting Schedule for 2013-2014 (exhibit S). The motion was seconded by Mr. Uhlfelder and unanimously approved by the Board (favor-11).

SHORT-THROW PROJECTORS AT FORT GARRISON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Ms. Karen Blannard, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Schools, Zone 1, reported Fort Garrison Elementary School raised \$28,915 through a Tech Walk held in April 2012, received a \$2,400 donation from the local community association, and had received a \$1,000 donation from Patient First. Fort Garrison Elementary will commit \$2,745 from the BCPS budget to cover the remaining costs associated with the purchase and installation of 16 short throw projectors.

On motion of Mr. Janssen, seconded by Mr. Uhlfelder, the Board unanimously approved the purchase and installation of short-throw projectors at Fort Garrison Elementary School as presented in exhibit T (favor-11).

NAMING OF THE COMPUTER LAB AT CHASE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Ms. Karen Blannard, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Schools, Zone 1, reported that the donor, a former Chase student, has asked to name the computer lab the Jean S. Bias Technology Gateway in honor of his late mother who taught at Chase Elementary for 20 years. A donation in the amount of \$30,400 was made to purchase two Dell tablet carts with 40 tablets for student use and two access points to provide wireless connectivity within the school.

On motion of Mr. Bowler, seconded by Mr. Uhlfelder, the Board unanimously approved the naming of the computer lab at Chase Elementary School as presented in exhibit U (favor-11).

CONCESSION STAND AT CATONSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Mark Bedell, Assistant Superintendent for High Schools, reported that the Catonsville High School (CHS) Booster Club has been raising funds since 2007 to renovate the stadium to complement the turf field. The money has been raised by parent volunteers, alumni, and donations from local businesses. The renovation project is to include a new scoreboard, a new concession stand with restrooms, new bleachers and a new press box. The new scoreboard was purchased and installed in 2009. Funds have now been raised by the CHS Booster Club to install the new concession stand with restrooms with a matched \$60,000 grant from the state. The Catonsville High School Booster Club will also provide matching funds from the state of \$125,000 for the bleachers and new press box.

On motion of Mr. Bowler, seconded by Ms. Williams, the Board unanimously approved the naming of the concession stand at Catonsville High School as presented in exhibit V (favor-11).

TRANSFER OF SOLLERS POINT TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Pradeep Dixit, Executive Director of Physical Facilities, reported that at the conclusion of the 2012-2013 school year, in accordance with the school system procedures and legal requirements, the Sollers Point Technical High School property will be conveyed to Baltimore County. After the transfer of title by Baltimore County, the Sollers Point Community Center will be completed as planned by the county government.

On motion of Mr. Parker, seconded by Ms. Roddy, the Board approved the transfer of Sollers Point Technical High School property to be conveyed to Baltimore County as presented in exhibit W (favor-10; abstained-1). Ms. Bright Gordon abstained from voting on this item.

TRANSFER OF EASTWOOD CENTER ELEMENTARY MAGNET SCHOOL

Mr. Dixit reported that at the conclusion of the 2012-2013 school year, in accordance with the school system procedures and legal requirements, the Eastwood Center Elementary Magnet School property will be conveyed to Baltimore County. The former school program has been consolidated in the planned 2013 – 2014 Pre-Kindergarten to Eighth Grade Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math magnet program at Norwood Elementary and Holabird Middle Schools.

On motion of Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. McDaniels, the Board approved the transfer of Eastwood Center Elementary Magnet School property to be conveyed to Baltimore County as presented in exhibit X (favor-10; abstained-1). Ms. Bright Gordon abstained from voting on this item.

BUDGET SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST

Ms. Barbara Burnopp, Chief Financial Officer, reported to Board members that an operating budget supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$6,000,000 requires approval by the Board of Education. This supplement includes \$3,000,000 in special revenue federal funds provided through the Title I grant program and \$3,000,000 in special revenue federal funds provided through the Race to the Top grant program. The funds are available due to the carryover of grant funds from prior years. The Title I funds will be used to promote achievement in the system's highest poverty schools. The Race to the Top funds will be used to increase student achievement and close the achievement gap by implementing comprehensive reform strategies in the four education areas of the Maryland Reform Plan.

On motion of Mr. Janssen, seconded by Ms. Williams, the Board unanimously approved the operating budget supplemental request of \$6,000,000 as presented in exhibit Y (favor-11).

BUDGET APPROPRIATION TRANSFER

Ms. Burnopp reported that this appropriation transfer is a request to the county to re-appropriate funds between categories. Fiscal Services sets deadlines each spring to provide for a timely closure of financial books as of June 30. As part of that process, decisions are made to transfer funds between categories to balance general fund appropriations for the fiscal year. Expenditure decisions are subject to the availability of funds.

On motion of Mr. Janssen, seconded by Ms. Williams, the Board unanimously approved the operating budget appropriation transfer of \$7,525,000 as presented in exhibit Z (favor-11).

REPORTS

The Board received the following reports:

A. **Board of Education Policies** – Ms. Roddy reported that the Board of Education’s Policy Committee had met to consider the policies presented this evening, and that the committee is recommending approval of these policy amendments. This is the first reading.

- Proposed New Policy 4010 – PERSONNEL: General-Nepotism

Ms. Bright Gordon commented that the Committee should consider a redefine to family member and change to “second degree” of affinity.

- Proposed Changes to Policy 8340 – INTERNAL BOARD POLICIES: Operations-Appeal Before the Board of Education
- Proposed Changes to Policy 8341 – INTERNAL BOARD POLICIES: Operations-Appeal Before A Hearing Examiner

B. **Report on the Proposed School Calendar for 2014-2015** – Mr. George Duque, Manager of Staff Relations, stated that the calendar committee considered the requisite 180-student days in developing the calendar, which include seven inclement weather days and three days of professional development for staff. He noted that the school calendar’s objective is to advance student achievement and align activities to support teaching and learning. This is the first reading of the proposed calendar.

Ms. Bright Gordon asked whether any members of the public were on the calendar committee. Mr. Duque responded representatives from stakeholder groups, such as PTA and area education advisory councils were on the committee. Ms. Bright Gordon asked why the school system does not permit members of the public to join. Mr. Duque responded that the calendar committee is an internal work group that provides a draft calendar to the Board and the public then provides comments during the second reading of the calendar.

REPORTS (cont)

Mr. Collins commented that the better forum for the public to address calendar issues in greater detail would be to allow persons to join the calendar committee.

Mr. Schmidt stated that any member of the public can submit public comments to the Board on the proposed school calendar.

INFORMATION

The Board received the following as information:

- A. Legislation Summary
- B. Financial Report for months ending February 29, 2012, and February 28, 2013
- C. Southeast Area Education Advisory Council Minutes of January 28, 2013
- D. New Superintendent's Rule 3121 - NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES: Funds Management and Classification of Expenditures
- E. Revised Superintendent's Rule 3122 - NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES: Classification of Expenditures
- F. Revised Superintendent's Rule 4001 - PERSONNEL: Equal Employment Opportunity
- G. Deletion of Superintendent's Rule 7120 – NEW CONSTRUCTION: Patterns of Participation
- H. Revised Superintendents Rule 7240 – NEW CONSTRUCTION: School Sites
- I. Revised Superintendent's Rule 7310 – NEW CONSTRUCTION: Determination of School Design and Construction Costs

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Schmidt made the following announcements:

- The Board of Education will hold its Merit/Ethics Awards Ceremony on Thursday, May 2, 2013, beginning at 7 p.m. at the Crowne Plaza Timonium.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Board of Education will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, May 7, 2013, at Catonsville 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 meeting will reconvene at approximately 7:00 p.m. The public is welcome to attend all open sessions.

ADJOURNMENT

Because there was no further business, the Board adjourned its meeting at 10:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Dallas Dance
Secretary-Treasurer

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TENTATIVE MINUTES

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

Tuesday, May 7, 2013

The Board of Education of Baltimore County met in closed session at 6:00 p.m. at Catonsville High School. President Lawrence E. Schmidt, Esquire, and the following Board members were present: Cornelia Bright Gordon, Esquire, Mr. Rodger C. Janssen, Mr. George J. Moniodis, Mr. H. Edward Parker, Ms. Valerie A. Roddy, Mr. David Uhlfelder, and Romaine Williams, Esq. 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 May and June.

Pursuant to the Annotated Code of Maryland, State Government Articles, §§10-508(a)(1), (a)(7), and (a)(9) and upon motion of Miss Adams, seconded by Mr. Uhlfelder, the Board commenced its closed session at 6:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

The Board of Education of Baltimore County, Maryland, met in closed session at 6:00 p.m. at Greenwood. President Lawrence E. Schmidt, Esquire, and the following Board members were present: Cornelia Bright Gordon, Esquire, Mr. Rodger C. Janssen, Mr. George J. Moniodis, Mr. H. Edward Parker, Ms. Valerie A. Roddy, Mr. David Uhlfelder, and Romaine Williams, Esq. 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. D. Mychael Dickerson, Chief Communications Officer; Dr. Lisa Grillo, Chief Human Resources Officer; Dr. Alpheus Arrington, Director, Human Resources; Mr. George Duque, Manager, Office of Staff Relations, Margaret-Ann F. Howie, Esquire, General Counsel; Andrew W. Nussbaum, Esquire, Counsel to the Board of Education; and Ms. Deborah Decker, Senior Executive Assistant to the Superintendent.

Mr. Duque updated the Board regarding the agency fee for TABCO.

Mr. Duque exited the room at 6:07 p.m.

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

Dr. Grillo and Dr. Arrington exited the room at 6:27 p.m.

Mr. Nussbaum provided legal advice regarding the Mays Chapel lawsuit.

On motion of Mr. Janssen, seconded by Mr. Uhlfelder, the Board adjourned its closed session at 6:33 p.m. All staff exited the room.

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

The Board of Education of Baltimore County, Maryland, reconvened in open session at 7:05 p.m. at Catonsville High School. 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. Rodger C. Janssen, Mr. Charles McDaniels, Jr., Mr. George J. Moniodis, Mr. H. Edward Parker, Ms. Valerie A. Roddy, Mr. David Uhlfelder, and Romaine Williams, Esq. 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 Sandy Brown, 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 agenda, the agenda stood as presented.

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, spoke to the Board regarding time commitments of teachers and changes to the end of school year calendar.

ADVISORY AND STAKEHOLDER COMMENTS (cont)

Ms. Karen Syrylo, Member of the Citizens Advisory Committee for Gifted and Talented Education, spoke about the new Language Arts curriculum for students. The committee requested that the curriculum be designed to consider behavioral characteristics and that teachers be trained accordingly.

Mr. Brian Morrison, Member of the Baltimore County Alliance of Black School Educators, provided an end of year report for the Alliance. Mr. Morrison reported that the group is pleased with Dr. Dance's reorganization of the Office of Equity and Cultural Proficiency.

Mr. David Basler, President of the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), spoke about concerns of transportation employees. Mr. Duque has been working with representatives to resolve the issues.

Ms. Beverly Coleman, Chair of the Southwest Area Education Advisory Council, spoke about becoming more aware of the overcapacity issues and air conditioning concerns of the Southwest Area by meeting with community members.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON PROPOSED CHANGES TO POLICY 4010

Mr. David Basler supports the proposal. Mr. Basler referenced the MGT Report.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON PROPOSED CHANGES TO POLICY 8340

No one signed up to comment on this policy.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON PROPOSED CHANGES TO POLICY 8341

No one signed up to comment on this policy.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED 2014-2015 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Dr. Bash Pharoan spoke about unfulfilled requests for information regarding the calendar committee meetings, non-COMAR holiday disparity, being appointed to the calendar committee, and BCPS policies.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Dr. Bash Pharoan, thanked Ms. Bright Gordon and Mr. Collins for working with air conditioning issues. Dr. Pharon urged Board members to strengthen stakeholder committees and that he be considered to be considered as an appointee.

Ms. Denise Avara, Westowne Elementary PTA President, spoke about air conditioning at the school and the illnesses caused due to rising temperatures. Ms. Avara would like information on the Aging Schools Fund.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (cont)

Miss Sandy Brown, Catonsville High School student, spoke about student safety and the recent prom held and which had no student behavior issues. Ms. Brown spoke of the student mentoring and assemblies that have helped to make the school successful.

Ms. Nikki Green, parent of a Westowne Elementary School student, spoke of her child's medical conditions, the lack of air conditioning, and the affects of not having air conditioning on her child's education.

Ms. Veronica Wheeler, Westowne Elementary School parent, spoke of her concerns about the lack of renovations, no air conditioning, student health, and the ability for students to learn in this type of environment.

Ms. Catherine Fu, Westowne Elementary PTA, spoke of the disparity between new and old schools within BCPS, namely the lack of air conditioning at Westowne.

Ms. Alicia Alcorn deferred her time to Mr. Jim Kitchel, a parent and PTA member from Hillcrest Elementary School, who spoke about overcrowding issues at Hillcrest and throughout the entire Southwest Area.

Ms. Marianne Moore, Business Education Teacher at Carver Center for Arts and Technology, spoke about students who accompanied her from Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) and their recent success and achievements.

Ms. Erica Mah deferred her time to Kathleen Cummings, parent of students from Hillcrest Elementary School, spoke of the overcrowding at the school. Ms. Cummings thanked the Board for acting quickly to resolve the overcrowding issues and the community meeting scheduled for March 20, 2013.

Ms. China Williams deferred her time to Emily Reteis, student at Westowne Elementary School, who spoke about air conditioning and learning issues at her school.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Ms. Michele Prumo, Chief of Staff, provided the report on behalf of the Superintendent, who had to leave the meeting early. Ms. Prumo recognized Teacher Appreciation Week and congratulated Mr. Sean McComb, newly announced Teacher of the Year for BCPS from Patapsco High School. Ms. Prumo spoke of the Southwest Community Meeting planned for May 8, 2013, to be held at Catonsville High School. The purpose of the meeting is to gain community input on items of concern to the area. Ms. Prumo thanked Beverly Coleman for her help and assistance in preparing for the meeting.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Schmidt provided an update on the following items:

Composition of the Calendar Committee – Superintendent’s Rule 6301, *School Calendar* states that the committee is comprised of principals, office heads, representatives of collective bargaining units, and the Board’s stakeholder and advisory groups.

Area Advisory Groups – A joint meeting has been scheduled, and Board Members, Romaine Williams, George Moniodis, and Michael Bowler, have been asked to participate and discuss functions and direction of the councils for the future. The meeting is scheduled for June 13, 2013 at 7 p.m.

Teacher Appreciation Week – Recognition from the Board Members to all teachers in the school system for their hard work and dedication to the children of BCPS.

National Merit and Ethics Awards Recognition Ceremony – The ceremony was recently held to honor students’ achievements.

The Board salutes the students, teachers, and support staff of BCPS.

OLD BUSINESS

Board of Education Policies

The Board Policy Committee, represented by Ms. Roddy, recommended approval of the following policies. This is the third reading.

The Board approved the following proposed policies (favor-12):

- Proposed Change to Policy 1270 COMMUNITY RELATIONS: Community Involvement-Parent and Family Involvement
- Proposed Changes to Policy 6307 – INSTRUCTION: Schedules- Patriotic Exercises
- Proposed Changes to Policy 6500 – INSTRUCTION: Research, Testing, and Evaluation- Research and Assessment
- Proposed Changes to Policy 8130 – INTERNAL BOARD OPERATIONS: Formulation

PERSONNEL MATTERS

On motion of Mr. Janssen seconded by Mr. McDaniels, the Board approved the personnel matters as presented on exhibits E through J (Copies of the exhibits are attached to the formal minutes).

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

Ms. Prumo recognized the administrative appointments approved by the Board.

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| <u>CATHERINE C. THOMAS</u> (Effective May 8, 2013) | Assistant to the Assistant Superintendent – Zone 2 | Principal Imagine Discovery Public Charter School |
| <u>STEPHEN J. COCO</u> (Effective July 1, 2013) School | Principal Cedarmere Elementary School | Principal Mays Chapel Elementary |
| <u>EDWARD J. NOVAK</u> (Effective July 1, 2013) | Governmental Relations Liaison (Contractual) Baltimore County Public Schools | Governmental Relations and Constituency Services Officer |
| <u>REBECCA L. RIDER</u> (Effective July 1, 2013) School | Assistant to the Assistant Superintendent – Zone 1 | Principal Chatsworth Elementary |

BUILDING AND CONTRACT AWARDS

The Building and Contracts Committee represented by Ms. Bright Gordon, recommended approval of items 1 through 10 in exhibit L.

Ms. Bright Gordon requested the Board Members to submit questions to staff prior to the meeting so that answers can be prepared in advance.

Mr. Bowler thanked Ms. Lawton for including additional information into exhibits.

The Board approved the recommendations.

1. JMI-601-08 Contract Modification and Extension: Instructional Materials
2. MWE-882-13 Classroom Learning Instructional Materials, Equipment, Supplies, and Related Items
3. JNI-760-13 Data Acquisition Technology
4. MBU-513-13 Financing Various Vehicles
5. JNI-759-13 Maintenance Tools and Supplies
6. PCR-282-13 Overhead Door and Folding Wall Maintenance and Repair
7. JMI-627-13 Safety Shoes
8. JNI-758-13 School Supplemental Educational Materials
9. MBU-506-13 Renovation and Addition to Hereford HS – Package 2
10. MWE-868-13 Lutherville Area Elementary School at Mays Chapel Construction Package 16A – Electrical

INFORMATION

The Board received the following as information:

- A. Revised Superintendent's Rule 1270 – COMMUNITY RELATIONS: Community Involvement-Parent and Family Involvement
- B. Revised Superintendent's Rule 6307 INSTRUCTION: Schedules- Patriotic Exercises
- C. Revised Superintendent's Rule 6500 – INSTRUCTION: RESEARCH, TESTING, AND EVALUATION-Assessment
- D. Revised Superintendents Rule 8130 – INTERNAL BOARD POLICIES: Organization-Formulation
- E. Revisions to the 2012-2013 School Calendar

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Schmidt made the following announcements:

- The Board thanks the Catonsville community for hosting tonight's Board of Education Meeting.
- The Board of Education will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, May 21, 2013, at the ESS Building, 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 meeting will reconvene at approximately 7:00 p.m. The public is welcome to all open sessions.
- The Board of Education will hold a public hearing to seek input for the FY 2015 Capital Budget. The hearing will be held on May 22, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. at ESS Building, Greenwood.

ADJOURNMENT

Because there was no further business, the Board adjourned its meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Dallas Dance
Secretary-Treasurer

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TENTATIVE MINUTES

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

Tuesday, May 21, 2013

The Board of Education of Baltimore County met at 4:00 p.m. at ESS Building, Greenwood. Vice President Ms. Valerie A. Roddy, and the following Board members were present: Mr. Michael H. Bowler, Cornelia Bright Gordon, Esquire, Mr. Michael J. Collins, Mr. Rodger C. Janssen, Mr. Charles McDaniels, Jr., Mr. George J. Moniodis, Mr. H. Edward Parker, Mr. David Uhlfelder, and Romaine Williams, Esq. In addition, Dr. S. Dallas Dance, Superintendent of Schools, and staff members were present.

The Board entertained oral argument in Hearing Examiner's Case #13-19. The matter was heard in closed session.

In addition to the above listed Board members, the following persons were present for oral argument: on behalf of the Appellant; Ryan Genovese, AFSCME Local 434; Ms. Michele O. Prumo, Chief of Staff; Mr. Michael G. Sines, Chief Operations Officer; Margaret-Ann F. Howie, Esquire, General Counsel; Valerie Thompson, Esquire, Assistant General Counsel, Mr. Pradeep Dixit, Superintendent's Designee, Andrew W. Nussbaum, Esquire, Legal Counsel to the Board of Education; and Ms. Deborah Decker, Senior Executive Assistant to the Board of Education. The proceedings of the hearing were recorded by a court reporter.

Staff exited the room at 4:32 p.m.; the Board deliberated on the case.

Pursuant to the Annotated Code of Maryland, State Government Articles, §§10-508(a)(1), (a)(7), and (a)(9) and upon motion of Romaine Williams, seconded by Charles McDaniels, the Board commenced its closed session at 5:03 p.m.

The Board convened in open session at 4:59 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

The Board of Education of Baltimore County, Maryland, met in closed session at 5:03 p.m. at Greenwood. Ms. Valerie A. Roddy, Vice President, and the following Board members were present: Mr. Michael H. Bowler, Cornelia Bright Gordon, Esquire, Mr. Michael J. Collins, Mr. Rodger C. Janssen, Mr. Charles McDaniels, Jr., Mr. George J. Moniodis, Mr. H. Edward Parker, , Mr. David Uhlfelder, and Romaine Williams, Esq. In addition, Dr. S. Dallas Dance, Superintendent of Schools, and the following staff members were present: Ms. Michele O. Prumo, Chief of Staff; Mr. Michael G. Sines, Chief Operations Officer; Mr. D. Mychael Dickerson, Chief Communications Officer; Dr. Lisa Grillo, Chief Human Resources Officer; Dr. Alpheus Arrington, Director, Human Resources; Mr. George Duque, Manager, Office of Staff Relations, Margaret-Ann F. Howie, Esquire, General Counsel; Andrew W. Nussbaum, Esquire, Counsel to the Board of Education; and Ms. Deborah Decker, Senior Executive Assistant to the Board of Education.

Mr. Duque spoke about the process for recognition for BCPS' Organization of Professional Employees (BCPSOPE).

Mr. Duque exited the room at 5:09 p.m.

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

Dr. Grillo and Dr. Arrington exited the room at 5:21 p.m.

Mr. Nussbaum provided legal advice regarding pending litigation.

On motion of Mr. Janssen, seconded by Mr. Uhlfelder, the Board recessed its closed session at 5:29 p.m. to convene an administrative function session. All staff exited the room.

ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTION SESSION

The Board met in administrative function session at 5:30 p.m. at ESS Building, Greenwood. Vice President Ms. Valerie A. Roddy, and the following Board members were present: Mr. Michael H. Bowler, Cornelia Bright Gordon, Esquire, Mr. Michael J. Collins, Mr. Rodger C. Janssen, Mr. Charles McDaniels, Jr., Mr. George J. Moniodis, Mr. H. Edward Parker, Mr. David Uhlfelder, Romaine Williams, Esquire, Miss Olivia Adams, Andrew W. Nussbaum, Esquire, and Ms. Deborah Decker, Senior Executive Assistant to the Board of Education.

The Board Members discussed the Superintendent's evaluation.

On motion of Mr. Janssen, seconded by Ms. Bright Gordon, the Board adjourned its administrative function session for a brief dinner at 6:04 p.m.

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

The Board of Education of Baltimore County, Maryland, reconvened in open session at 6:35 p.m. at ESS Building, Greenwood. Vice President Ms. Valerie A. Roddy, and the following Board members were present: Mr. Michael H. Bowler, Cornelia Bright Gordon, Esquire, Mr. Michael J. Collins, Mr. Rodger C. Janssen, Mr. Charles McDaniels, Jr., Mr. George J. Moniodis, Mr. H. Edward Parker, Mr. David Uhlfelder, Romaine Williams, Esquire, 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 Gillian Higgins and McKenna Porter, followed by a period of silent meditation for those who have served education in the Baltimore County Public Schools.

Dr. Dance pulled exhibit A from the agenda. Hearing no exceptions to the request, the agenda stands as corrected.

Ms. Roddy 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, Ms. Roddy 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.

Ms. Roddy 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.

Ms. Roddy 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

Miss Breana Echols, Baltimore County Student Council President and member of the Superintendent's Student Council Advisory Group, introduced the new Student Council President, McKenna Porter. The council held a successful Bull Roast and Recognition Program. Dr. Dance was thanked for his attendance and support of the council. Miss Echols also thanked Miss Adams for serving on the Board of Education.

Ms. Abby Beytin, President of the Teachers Association of Baltimore County, spoke about disadvantaged youth and summer opportunities for them both in the summer and during the school year. Ms. Beytin stressed the importance of summer programs for students.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Erica Mah, a Hillcrest Elementary School parent, thanked the Board for addressing the overcrowding issues in the Southwest Area. Ms. Mah appreciated community meeting on May 15 and looks forward to hearing on the results on overcrowding and the short-term solutions.

Mr. Jameel Mohammed addressed the Board on issues on behalf of fellow American Muslims. Mr. Mohammed would like equal treatment for Muslim students, and asked schools be closed on the two Muslim holidays.

Mr. Jomichael Latta a Westowne Elementary School parent, that spoke about the overcrowding and poor air conditioning. He asked the Board to be more aware of the learning environment of the children in the school and the rising temperatures in the classrooms.

Ms. Emily Mitzel was not present.

Miss Gillian Higgins, a student at Westowne Elementary School, expressed concern about the lack of air conditioning at her school. Her teacher stated that her classroom reached 100 degrees. She stated she gets headaches because her classroom is too hot.

Ms. Marianne Moore reported on the accomplishments of Carver Center FBLA students.

Dr. Bash Pharoan stated that he felt uncomfortable in front of a microphone without a chair and table. Mr. Pharoan felt that the parking arrangements at Catonsville High School were not convenient. Board should be closer to audience. Dr. Pharon asks that schools be closed on the two Islamic holidays.

Ms. Cathleen Cummings, a Catonsville resident, would like to hear solutions to the overcrowding in the Catonsville area a follow-up to the community meeting. Ms. Cummings inquired about the plans for Bloomsbury and Banneker sites. She is very concerned about the infrastructure in the area.

Miss Chanel Johnson, student at Carver Center, read the FBLA speech that she is presenting at the National Awards program in Anaheim.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS – GOVERNOR COMMISSIONS

Ms. Roddy presented to Mr. McDaniels, Ms. Williams, and Miss Adams their Commissions from Governor Martin O'Malley.

Mr. Janssen moved that the Board accept the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Parker. The Board unanimously voted to accept the resolution honoring Miss Adams.

WHEREAS, Olivia Adams has served as a student member of the Board of Education of Baltimore County with honor and distinction for the 2012-2013 school year, including participation on the Board's Curriculum Committee; and

WHEREAS, Her role as a student leader begins at Pikesville High School where she serves as President of the National Honor Society and her leadership extends countywide through

her work on the Board and her membership on the Superintendent's Student Advisory Board, the Baltimore County Student Councils Executive Board, and the Maryland Association of Student Councils Executive Board; and

WHEREAS, Olivia's leadership activities complement her scholastic achievements, which include Editor-In-Chief of the Pikesville High's newspaper, The Pipeline, It's Academic quiz bowl club, representative of the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership Seminar, an organizer of the BCPS countywide Anti-Bullying Day, and volunteering at various animal rescue shelters; and

WHEREAS, Her outstanding academic performance has been affirmed in many ways from being ranked 10th of her graduating class and achieving straight A status in grades 9 and 12; and

WHEREAS, Olivia, who is a recipient of the 2013 Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship, will continue to bring honor to this school system as she continues her education at the University of Chicago; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of Baltimore County, assembled in regular session on the twenty-first of May, in the year two thousand thirteen, expresses to Olivia, its fondest regards and gratitude for her services; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board does herewith extend its best wishes for happiness, good health, and continued success in future endeavors, and that it directs a copy of this resolution to be recorded among the permanent records of the Board of Education of Baltimore County.

Mr. Janssen moved that the Board accept the thirteen high school resolutions as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Parker. The Board unanimously voted to accept the resolutions.

WHEREAS, Consistent with Baltimore County Public Schools' commitment to deliberate excellence, Catonsville High School has demonstrated continuous progress in expanding all students' access to highly rigorous courses; and

WHEREAS, This effort is evident in the strong participation by students at Catonsville High School in Advanced Placement courses and exams; and

WHEREAS, Because of its consistent and continuous effort to support highly rigorous courses, Catonsville High School has been named by the Washington Post as among the top nine percent of public high schools in the nation; and

WHEREAS, Catonsville High School joins 12 other Baltimore County high schools in this distinction; and

WHEREAS, The 13 schools recognized with this distinction in 2013 represent more than a half of Baltimore County's 24 traditional and magnet high schools; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of Baltimore County, assembled in regular session on the twenty-first day of May, in the year two thousand thirteen, expresses to Principal

Deborah Bittner its congratulations and gratitude for her services and the services of the entire staff at Catonsville High School; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board does herewith extend its support and encouragement in all endeavors to advance student achievement at Catonsville High School, and that it directs a copy of this resolution to be recorded among the permanent records of the Board of Education of Baltimore County.

The remaining twelve high schools include: Dulaney High, Eastern Technical High, Franklin High, George Washington Carver Center for Arts and Technology, Hereford High, Loch Raven High, Owings Mills High, Patapsco High, Perry Hall High, Pikesville High, Towson High, and Western School of Technology; identical resolutions were issued to these schools.

WORK SESSION REPORTS

The Board received the following reports:

A. **Report on the Proposed Changes or Deletions to the following Board of Education Policies** – Ms. Roddy reported that the Board of Education’s Policy Review Committee (PRC) had met to consider the policy presented this evening, and that the committee is recommending approval of its recommendations concerning these policies. This is the first reading.

- Proposed Deletion of Policy 2320 - ADMINISTRATION: Administrative Operations – Line of Responsibility
- Proposed Changes to Policy 3410 – NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES: Transportation Services – Responsibilities and Duties
- Proposed Changes to Policy 3420 - NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES: Transportation Services – Routes and Services
- Proposed Changes to Policy 4102 – PERSONNEL: Conduct – Sexual Harassment
- Proposed Deletion of Policy 5310 – STUDENT: Activities – Awards for Achievement
- Proposed Changes to Policy 6102 – INSTRUCTION – Teaching Controversial Issues

Miss Adams asked about the rationale for amending the policy. Ms. Lawton explained that the changes update the policy in more contemporary language, and ensure that these issues are addressed in a non-confrontational manner.

- Proposed Changes to Policy 6304 – INSTRUCTION: Schedules – Commemorations and Observances

PERSONNEL MATTERS

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

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

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

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| <u>ROBIN M. BOWDEN</u> (Effective May 22, 2013) | Acting Assistant Principal Parkville Middle School | Assistant Principal Parkville Middle School |
| <u>KEITH FLETCHER</u> (Effective May 22, 2013) | Audit Manager Medifast, Inc. | Auditor IV Office of Internal Audit |
| <u>LANA G. GREEN</u> (Effective May 22, 2013) | Specialist, Secondary English Office of Language Arts | Supervisor, Secondary English Language Arts Office of Language Arts |
| <u>JESS T. GRIM</u> (Effective July 1, 2013) | Assistant Principal Overlea High School | Principal Chesapeake High School |
| <u>CANDICE LOGAN- WASHINGTON</u> (Effective July 1, 2013) | Teacher/English Woodlawn High School | Specialist Equity and Cultural Proficiency |
| <u>STEPHEN M. PRICE</u> (Effective July 1, 2013) | Assistant Principal Johnnycake Elementary School | Principal Lansdowne Elementary School |
| <u>DAVID E. PROUDFOOT</u> (Effective July 1, 2013) | Assistant Principal Dundalk Elementary School | Principal Edmondson Heights Elementary School |

ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

On motion of Ms. Parker, seconded by Mr. McDaniels, the Board confirmed the action taken in closed session in Case Numbers H.E. 13-19 (favor-8, nay-Mr. Collins, abstained by Mr. Collins and Ms. Bright Gordon). The motion carries.

INFORMATION

The Board received the following as information:

- A. Financial Report for months ending March 31, 2012 and 2013

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Roddy made the following announcements:

- The Board of Education will hold a public hearing on the FY15 Capital Budget on May 22 at 7 p.m. in the ESS Building, Greenwood.
- The Board of Education will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, June 11, 2013, at ESS Building, 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 meeting will reconvene at approximately 7:00 p.m. The public is welcome to attend all open sessions.

ADJOURNMENT

Because there was no further business, the Board adjourned its meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Dallas Dance
Secretary-Treasurer

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REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2015
CAPITAL BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS

Wednesday, May 22, 2013
ESS Building, Greenwood

The hearing was called to order by Vice President Valerie A. Roddy, at 7:00 p.m. In addition to Vice President Roddy, the following Board members were present: Mr. Michael H. Bowler, Constance Bright Gordon, Esquire, Mr. Michael Collins, Mr. Rodger C. Janssen, Mr. Charles McDaniels, Jr., Mr. George J. Moniodis, Mr. H. Edward Parker, Mr. David Uhlfelder, and Romaine Williams, Esquire. In addition, Dr. S. Dallas Dance, Superintendent of Schools, staff members, as well as media, were present.

The following persons offered testimony:

1. **China Williams – Parent of Student at Westowne ES** - Would like funding for air conditioning at Westowne ES to be put into the FY15 capital budget. She said it was 89 degrees in one classroom today, and the temperature often exceeds 90 degrees. This creates a very unhealthy environment. The school nurse estimates that 50 students at the school have asthma. The school is 62 years old and has had only one capital project since 2005, a roof replacement.
2. **Judy Heiger – President of PTA at Carney ES** - She would like Carney ES to receive funding to be able to get air conditioning as soon as possible. She is concerned that many schools in the NE area do not have air conditioning and that Carney ES is located at the bottom of the list for schools to receive an air conditioning upgrade. Temperature at the school today was in the mid 80's.
3. **David Marks – Baltimore County Councilman for District #5** – Believes that a regional imbalance exists in the air conditioning list. The NE area is not represented. He supports the request to fund air conditioning at Carney ES as soon as possible.
4. **Willie Milnor– Parent of Student at Westowne Elementary School** - He supports the request to fund air conditioning at Westowne ES as soon as possible. He is very concerned about heat-related health issues.
5. **Jahan Schonberger – Student at Westowne ES** - She supports the request to fund air conditioning at Westowne ES as soon as possible. She felt sick today at school because of the heat.

The hearing was adjourned at 7:21p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Dallas Dance
Secretary-Treasurer