

TENTATIVE, SUBJECT TO CHANGE

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

OPEN SESSION

Tuesday, March 8, 2011
5:00 P.M.-Closed Session, 7:00 P.M.-Open Session
Educational Support Services Building

- I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- II. SILENT MEDITATION IN REMEMBRANCE
- III. AGENDA
Consideration of the agenda for March 8, 2011
- IV. MINUTES
Consideration of the Open and Closed Minutes of February 8, 2011
- V. SELECTION OF SPEAKERS
- VI. ADVISORY AND STAKEHOLDER GROUPS
- VII. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS – Presentation of Governor’s Commission to the following Board Members: Michael H. Bowler, George J. Moniodis, and Rohan Goswami
- VIII. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS – Recognition of Mr. McKinley Broome, Recipient of the Milken Educator Award
- IX. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS – Recognition of two Baltimore County Public Schools Students 2011 Presidential Scholars Candidates
- X. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT
- XI. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
- XII. RECOGNITION OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS AND ADVISORY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS FROM FEBRUARY 8, 2011

Exhibit A

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Consideration of consent to the following personnel matters: (Dr. Peccia)
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 2. Resignations Exhibit C
 3. Leaves of Absence Exhibit D
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- B. Consideration of the Negotiated Master Agreements for the following Collective Bargaining Units (exhibits to follow) (Mr. Duque) Exhibit F
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 2. Council of Administrative and Supervisory Employees (CASE)
 3. Educational Support Professionals of Baltimore County (ESPBC)
 4. Teachers Association of Baltimore County (TABCO)
- C. Consideration of Hearing Officer's Opinion in Case #10-38 (Andrew Nussbaum, Esq.)
- PULLED** D. Consideration of Hearing Officer's Opinion in Case #11-08 (Andrew Nussbaum, Esq.)
- E. Consideration of consent to the following contract awards: (Mr. Gay/Mr. Sines) Exhibit G
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 2. Contract Modification: Field Trip Transportation Services
 3. Autism and Language Delay Developmental Software
 4. Automobiles
 5. Cabinetmaker Services
 6. Computer Assisted Curriculum for Non-certificate Bound Students
 7. Cohort – Maryland Approved Alternative Preparation Program/ Resident Teacher Certification: Special Education – Cohort 9
 8. Cohort – Master of Education in Reading Cohort 1/Reading Specialist
 9. Cohort – World Languages
 10. eCatalog – Science Supplies
 11. Online Tutoring
 12. Trucks

XIII. NEW BUSINESS (cont)

13. Contract Modification: Consultant Design Services – Architectural/Engineering (A/E) Services for Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools
14. Contract Modification: Consultant Services – Architectural/Engineering (A/E) Services for Milford Mill Academy
15. Construction of a New School Construction Package (1B) Waste Management – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools
16. Construction of a New School Construction Package (5B) Miscellaneous Metals – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools
17. Construction of a New School Construction Package (6A) General Trades – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools
18. Construction of a New School Construction Package (7A) Roofing – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools
19. Construction of a New School Construction Package (8A) Glass and Glazing – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools
20. Construction of a New School Construction Package (9C) Painting – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools
21. Construction of a New School Construction Package (9D) Wood Flooring – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools
22. Construction of a New School Construction Package (9E) Ceramic Tile – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools
23. Construction of a New School Construction Package (10A) Toilet Partitions and Accessories – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools
24. Construction of a New School Construction Package (13A) Fire Suppression – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools
25. Installation of a Chiller – Old Court Middle School

D. Consideration of the Special Revenue and General Fund Supplement

(Ms. Burnopp)
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(Mr. Novak)
Exhibit I

XIV. INFORMATION

A. Central Area Education Advisory Council Meeting Minutes of February 17, 2011

Exhibit J

B. Southeast Area Education Advisory Council Meeting Minutes of January 10, 2011

Exhibit K

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

Tuesday, February 8, 2011

The Board of Education of Baltimore County met in closed session at 5:25 p.m. at Greenwood. President Earnest E. Hines and the following Board members were present: Mr. Michael H. Bowler, Mr. James E. Coleman, Mr. Rodger C. Janssen, Ms. Ramona N. Johnson, Mr. George J. Moniodis, Ms. Mary-Margaret O'Hare, Mr. H. Edward Parker, Lawrence E. Schmidt, Esquire, Mr. David Uhlfelder, and Mr. Rohan Goswami. In addition, Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent of Schools, and staff members were present.

Mr. Hines reminded Board members of community functions and Board of Education events scheduled in February and March 2011.

Pursuant to the Annotated Code of Maryland, State Government Articles, §§10-508(a)(1) and (a)(7) and upon motion of Mr. Janssen, seconded by Mr. Uhlfelder, the Board commenced its closed session at 5:30 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

The Board of Education of Baltimore County, Maryland, met in closed session at 5:30 p.m. at Greenwood. President Earnest E. Hines and the following Board members were present: Mr. Michael H. Bowler, Mr. James E. Coleman, Mr. Rodger C. Janssen, Ms. Ramona N. Johnson, Mr. George J. Moniodis, Ms. Mary-Margaret O'Hare, Mr. H. Edward Parker, Lawrence E. Schmidt, Esquire, Mr. David Uhlfelder, and Mr. Rohan Goswami. In addition, Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent of Schools, and the following staff members were present: Dr. Donald Peccia, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources; Margaret-Ann F. Howie, Esquire, General Counsel; Andrew W. Nussbaum, Esquire, Counsel to the Board of Education; and Ms. Brenda Stiffler, Administrative Assistant to the Board.

Mr. Nussbaum provided legal advice to the Board regarding the hearing officers' opinions to be considered that evening.

Board member, Ms. Valerie A. Roddy, entered the room at 5:41 p.m.

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

On motion of Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Goswami, the Board adjourned its closed session at 6:16 p.m.

ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTION

At 6:16 p.m., President Earnest E. Hines and the following Board members were present: Mr. Michael H. Bowler, Mr. James E. Coleman, Mr. Rodger C. Janssen, Ms. Ramona N. Johnson, Mr. George J. Moniodis, Ms. Mary-Margaret O'Hare, Mr. H. Edward Parker, Ms. Valerie A. Roddy, Lawrence E. Schmidt, Esquire, Mr. David Uhlfelder, and Mr. Rohan Goswami. In addition, Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent of Schools, and the following staff members were present: Margaret-Ann F. Howie, Esquire, General Counsel; Andrew W. Nussbaum, Esquire, Counsel to the Board of Education; and Ms. Brenda Stiffler, Administrative Assistant to the Board.

The Board discussed possible changes to future work session agendas.

The Board adjourned its closed session at 6:41 p.m. for a brief dinner.

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

The Board of Education of Baltimore County, Maryland, reconvened in open session at 7:08 p.m. at Greenwood. President Earnest E. Hines and the following Board members were present: Mr. Michael H. Bowler, Mr. James E. Coleman, Mr. Rodger C. Janssen, Ms. Ramona N. Johnson, Mr. George J. Moniodis, Ms. Mary-Margaret O'Hare, Mr. H. Edward Parker, Ms. Valerie A. Roddy, Lawrence E. Schmidt, Esquire, Mr. David Uhlfelder, and Mr. Rohan Goswami. In addition, Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent of Schools, and the media were present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Dr. Hairston noted the following changes to tonight's agenda:

- The award of contract for item #18, Construction of a New School Construction Package 5A – Structural Steel – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools, has been changed to Strait Steel, Inc.
- Contract item #19, Construction of a New School Construction Package 5B – Miscellaneous Metals – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools, is being pulled from the agenda.
- Contract item #20, Construction of a New School Construction Package 6A – General Trades – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools, is being pulled from the agenda.

Hearing no additions or corrections to the Open and Closed Minutes of January 12, 2011, and the Report on the Public Hearing for the Proposed FY2012 Operating Budget of January 19, 2011, Mr. Hines declared the minutes approved as presented on the Web site.

Mr. Hines 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. Hines 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.

ADVISORY AND STAKEHOLDER COMMENTS

Ms. Cheryl Bost, President of the Teachers Association of Baltimore County, asked the Board to look at the budget to reconsider increasing class sizes and across-the-board cuts of 5%. She distributed to Board members a PowerPoint™ titled “Assessing Teacher Effectiveness” that was presented to the Educator Effectiveness Council. Ms. Bost commended Dr. Peccia and staff for developing a steering committee to review the teacher evaluation system in Baltimore County.

Ms. Nancy Ostrow, President of the PTA Council of Baltimore County, provided an excerpt from her testimony presented at the Board’s FY12 operating budget public hearing. She asked the Board that, if there were any concerns remaining after tonight’s presentation on Use of School Facilities, it consider convening a public forum to further discuss the policy.

Mr. Ed Veit, a representative of the Diversity and Achievement Steering Committee, stated that technology and accountability are essential. He stated that an accountability measure long overdue in the school system is the Language Arts curriculum. The school system needs to develop and implement a consistent Language Arts writing program.

Ms. Jessica Paffenbarg, a representative of the Citizens Advisory Committee for Gifted and Talented (G/T) Education, briefly discussed why so many parents support G/T education. Board members were provided a document called the “GT Toolkit,” which contains information for parents in learning about G/T education.

Ms. Jasmine Shriver, Coordinator of the Area Education Advisory Councils, reported on the joint area education advisory council meeting of January 20, 2011. Edward J. Novak, Esquire, provided a presentation to the council on state legislative issues while Mr. Robert Barrett discussed the county council and local issues. Ms. Shriver expressed concern that since the year 2000 approximately \$45 million has gone to fund technology and textbooks for non-public schools from the *Cigarette Restitution Fund*.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Hairston announced that the annual luncheon with the county council would be held on Tuesday, February 15, 2011, to discuss the budget and community issues. Dr. Hairston will be in Annapolis on Friday, February 11, to provide an update on the state of the school system to the joint Baltimore County delegation.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Hines stated that the Board is continually questioned about many areas of our educational system. These questions come from public testimony, direct inquires to Board members, public hearings on capital and operating budgets, and area advisory councils. Some are specific to individual schools, while others cross the system. Mr. Hines reported on the following topics:

- Hampton Elementary School Addition – During the Building and Contracts Committee meeting of the Board of Education earlier this evening, design consultants along with the staff from the Department of Physical Facilities presented the plans for Hampton Elementary School. The concerns about the common areas were discussed during this presentation.
- Legislative Issues – Elected Board – An update on legislative issues will be presented during the evening's meeting under the topic "Consideration of School Legislation."

RECOGNITION OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

Dr. Donald Peccia, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, recognized the administrative appointments from the January 12, 2011, Board meeting.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
<u>CONSTANCE V. DEAN</u> (Effective January 13, 2011)	Resource Teacher Office of Special Education Non-Public Placements	Coordinator Office of Special Education Placements and Birth-to-Five
<u>JOSEPH M. WOJCIECHOWSKI</u> (Effective January 13, 2011)	Enterprise Systems Engineer Department of Technology	System Engineering Supervisor Department of Technology

OLD BUSINESS

FY 2012 Operating Budget

Ms. Barbara Burnopp, Chief Financial Officer, reviewed the initial budget request and the proposed amendments from the original recommendation, which are reflected in exhibit B.

Ms. Burnopp noted that on January 24, 2011, preliminary calculations for Major State Aid Programs were released by the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE). The newly released projection from MSDE includes an increase in the number of Baltimore County Public Schools students eligible for Free and Reduced Price meals. The governor has proposed a reduction of \$93.7 million in Thornton funding to support teacher's pensions. After reviewing MSDE projections for the five major state aid to education programs and the governor's budget announcement, staff has increased projected state aid by \$5.1 million. The revenue projections from MSDE are normally updated throughout the legislative session.

State and federal general fund revenue is now projected at \$535,977,759, and includes \$3.8 million from the Education Jobs Fund Bill that will be specifically used to fund employee health care costs. Direct state and federal aid to education are projected to increase by approximately \$8.9 million over the FY2011 Adjusted Operating budget. Local county revenues are proposed to increase by approximately \$1.7 million above the Maintenance of Effort prescribed by state law.

Additional state aid to education revenue of \$5.1 million is proposed to address projected cost increases for Individualized Education Program (IEP) requirements (\$3.9 million) to provide personal assistants to special education students and additional projected costs for expansion of the Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) for preschool special education students (\$1.2 million).

The total budget for all funds is \$1,587,784,594.

Mr. Uhlfelder moved approval of the proposed Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2012. The motion was seconded by Ms. O'Hare and approved by the Board as presented in Exhibit B (favor-10; abstained-1). Mr. Bowler abstained from voting on this item. The student representative, Mr. Goswami, did not vote on this item.

Board of Education Policies

The Board Policy Committee, represented by Mr. Coleman recommended approval of 11 policies. This is the third reading.

OLD BUSINESS (cont)

On motion of Ms. O'Hare, seconded by Mr. Parker, the Board approved the following proposed policies:

- Proposed Changes to Policy 4004 – PERSONNEL: General-Suspected Child Abuse, Neglect, and/or Inappropriate Behavior Towards a Student by an Employee of the Baltimore County Public Schools
- Proposed Deletion of Policy 4114 – PERSONNEL: Professional-Assignment, Transfer, and Promotion
- Proposed Deletion of Policy 4119 – PERSONNEL: Professional-Separation
- Proposed Deletion of Policy 4215 – PERSONNEL: Classified-Personal Protective Equipment
- Proposed Deletion of Policy 4216.3 – PERSONNEL: Classified-Administrative Review Procedure
- Proposed Deletion of Policy 4232 – PERSONNEL: Status Change-Promotion, General
- Proposed Deletion of Policy 4232.1 – PERSONNEL: Status Change-Promotion, Clerical
- Proposed Deletion of Policy 4233 – PERSONNEL: Status Change-Demotion
- Proposed Changes to Policy 5000 - STUDENTS
- Proposed Changes to Policy 5561 – STUDENTS: School Use of Reportable Offenses
- Proposed New Policy 8410 – INTERNAL BOARD OPERATIONS: Office of Internal Audit-Fraud Reporting

PERSONNEL MATTERS

On motion of Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Schmidt, the Board unanimously approved the personnel matters as presented on exhibits N, O, P, Q, R, and S (Copies of the exhibits are attached to the formal minutes).

HEARING EXAMINERS' RECOMMENDATIONS

On a motion of Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. Coleman, the Board approved that the hearing examiner's opinion in case #11-11 be affirmed (favor-11). Student Board member, Mr. Goswami, did not vote.

On a motion of Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Schmidt, the Board approved that the hearing examiner's opinion in case #11-12 be affirmed (favor-11). Student Board member, Mr. Goswami, did not vote.

On a motion of Mr. Uhlfelder, seconded by Mr. Schmidt, the Board approved that the hearing examiner's opinion in case #11-17 be affirmed (favor-11). Student Board member, Mr. Goswami, did not vote.

BUILDING AND CONTRACT AWARDS

The Building and Contracts Committee, represented by Mr. Schmidt, recommended approval of items 1-18, and 21-23 (exhibit T). Mr. Schmidt noted the following changes:

- Item 1 – the description should read, “This contract modification adds **one** provider to the contract...”
- Item 7 – the description should read, “Enrollment is open to all BCPS non-**certificated** employees with a maximum of 90 participants.”
- Item 18 – the award of contract is recommended to **Strait Steel, Inc.**
- Items 19 and 20 were pulled from tonight's agenda.
- Item 23 – the number of bids received should read “**3.**”

Mr. Schmidt separated item 17 for further discussion, and Ms. Roddy asked that item 18 be pulled for further discussion.

The Board approved items 1-16 and 21-23.

1. PCR-204-11 Contract Modification: Field Trip Transportation Services
2. JMI-612-09 Contract Modification: Network Components
3. MBU-536-10 Contract Modification: Printing and Reproduction Services
4. JMI-604-10 403b Financial Consulting Services
5. MWE-832-11 Baltimore County Public Schools (BCPS) and Community College of Baltimore County (CCBC) Articulation Agreement
6. MBU-513-11 Carpet – Provision, Removal, and Installation
7. RGA-921-11 Cohort – Certificate in Management for BCPS

BUILDING AND CONTRACT AWARDS (cont)

8. RGA-922-11 Cohort – Graduate Certificate in School Administration and Supervision
9. JMI-617-11 Cut Sheet Paper (Copy, Laser Printers, and Duplicators)
10. JMI-750-11 Mobile Lift System
11. RGA-141-11 Office Supplies
12. JMI-751-11 Officiating Services for Spring Athletic Events
13. MWE-819-11 Window Blinds
14. MBU-539-09 Contract Modification: Drywall and Acoustical Contract (9A) – West Towson Elementary School
15. MBU-539-09 Contract Modification: Resilient Flooring Contract (9D) – West Towson Elementary School
16. JMI-616-11 Construction of a New School Construction Package 3A – Concrete – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools
21. JMI-616-11 Construction of a New School Construction Package 15A – Mechanical and Plumbing – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools
22. JMI-616-11 Construction of a New School Construction Package 16B – Electrical – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools
23. JMI-644-10 HVAC Equipment Replacement – Randallstown High School

Item #17

Mr. Schmidt stated that the Board had received a letter from Parkinson Construction Company, which raises issues related to the bid process. Mr. Schmidt asked whether there was a response from the school system. Mr. Gay responded that the school system did not hold a hearing with Mr. Parkinson. Mr. Gay stated that the letter did not follow the bid specifications. There is an appeal process in the bid that is made available to all of the vendors. Mr. Schmidt asked whether an appeal has been filed. Mr. Gay responded that an appeal has not been filed as outlined in the bid specifications.

Mr. Hines asked how the school system communicates the appeal process to its vendors. Mr. Gay explained that the bid specifications details the process. The Office of Purchasing assumes that the vendor has read the specifications and that the vendor is aware of the requirements. A vendor can attend the pre-bid meeting, which occurs prior to when the bids are due, should the vendor have any questions. Additionally, the contact information of the purchasing agent overseeing the project is included.

BUILDING AND CONTRACT AWARDS (cont)

Mr. Schmidt asked whether the purchasing office was aware of the complaint. Mr. Gay responded that he saw the letter and will reply to the correspondence. Mr. Gay stated there is yet another appeal process once an award is made. Mr. Schmidt stated that he did not see anything in the letter that would appear improper.

On motion of Mr. Janssen, seconded by Mr. Parker, the Board approved item 17.

17. JMI-616-11 Construction of a New School Construction Package 4A –
Masonry – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools

Dr. Hairston stated that BCPS hosts a vendor fair every year to provide awareness and exposure of contracts within the school system.

Item #18

Ms. Roddy asked why the vendor had changed. Mr. Gay responded that Strait Steel, Inc. submitted additional documentation, to the school system's satisfaction, and was the lowest bidder even with the add alternates. Mr. Gay stated that all vendors were given the same opportunities.

On motion of Mr. Uhlfelder, seconded by Mr. Parker, the Board approved item 18.

18. JMI-616-11 Construction of a New School Construction Package 5A –
Structural Steel – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools

RENAMING OF THE PERRY HALL HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

Ms. Barbara Walker, Assistant Superintendent of High Schools, reported that Perry Hall High School is seeking approval to name the Library/Media Center to honor the school's second principal, James E. Bowerman. Mr. Bowerman opened Perry Hall High School and served as an Assistant Principal from 1963-1971 and principal from 1971-1989. Mr. Bowerman had the longest tenure of any administrator who has served at Perry Hall High School.

On motion of Mr. Uhlfelder, seconded by Mr. Coleman, the Board unanimously approved the renaming of the Perry Hall High School library as presented in exhibit U.

2010-2011 SCHOOL CALENDAR REVISIONS

Ms. Kara Calder, Executive Director of Planning and Support Operations, informed the Board that the revisions reflect an adjustment to the summer school schedule.

2010-2011 SCHOOL CALENDAR REVISIONS (cont)

On motion of Mr. Janssen, seconded by Ms. O'Hare, the Board unanimously approved the revised 2010-2011 school calendar as presented in exhibit V.

2011-2012 SCHOOL CALENDAR REVISIONS

Ms. Calder informed the Board that the revisions were to accommodate reopening schools after winter break on Tuesday, January 3, 2012 as well as an adjustment to the summer school schedule.

On motion of Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. Parker, the Board unanimously approved the revised 2011-2012 school calendar as presented in exhibit W.

CURRICULUM

The Curriculum Committee, represented by Ms. Johnson, recommended approval of the Economic and Public Issues Curriculum Pilot.

On motion of Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Schmidt, the Board unanimously approved the above curriculum, as presented in exhibit X.

SCHOOL LEGISLATION

Edward J. Novak, Esquire, Manager of Governmental and External Relations, reviewed with the Board proposed legislation currently under consideration by the General Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Janssen, seconded by Mr. Uhlfelder, the Board unanimously voted to support HB1 – Education – Youth Athletes - Concussions (favor-12).

On motion of Mr. Janssen, seconded by Mr. Uhlfelder, the Board unanimously voted to oppose HB12 – Procurement – Employee Uniforms and Equipment – Place of Manufacture.

On motion of Mr. Janssen, seconded by Mr. Parker, the Board unanimously voted to oppose HB26 – Education Funding Formula – Average Daily Attendance.

On motion of Mr. Uhlfelder, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board voted to support HB44/SB53 – Education – Waiver from Maintenance of Effort Requirement – Process and Factors (favor-11; opposed-1). Mr. Parker opposed support of this item.

On motion of Mr. Bowler, seconded by Mr. Goswami, the Board unanimously voted to support HB48 – State Government – Open Meetings Act – Notice and Complaints.

SCHOOL LEGISLATION (cont)

On motion of Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. Uhlfelder, the Board unanimously voted to oppose HB73 – Vehicle Laws – School Buses – Prohibition on Permitting Sitting on Floor or Standing.

On motion of Mr. Goswami, seconded by Ms. O’Hare, the Board voted to take no position on HB127 – State Board of Education – Financial Literacy Curriculum – Graduation Requirement (favor-11; abstained-1). Mr. Janssen abstained from voting on this item.

On motion of Ms. Roddy, seconded by Mr. Uhlfelder, the Board voted to take no position on HB160 – Baltimore County Public Schools – Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (favor-9; opposed-2; abstained-1). Mr. Schmidt and Mr. Parker opposed this item. Mr. Janssen abstained from voting on this item.

In regards to HB231, Mr. Janssen asked whether there is any language in the bill that addresses who has ownership of buildings constructed with the use of public funds. Mr. Novak responded that there is no language in the bill; however, there is language that would suggest that the Board could potentially be liable if in fact there was a default on the loan.

On motion of Mr. Janssen, seconded by Mr. Uhlfelder, the Board voted to oppose HB231 – Education – Public Charter School Facility Revolving Loan Fund (favor-11; abstained-1). Mr. Bowler abstained from voting on this item.

On motion of Mr. Uhlfelder, seconded by Mr. Roddy, the Board unanimously voted to support with amendments SB 6 – Optional Retirement Program – State and Participating Governmental Unit Employees - Participation.

In regards to SB41, Mr. Bowler asked what the changes are. Mr. Novak responded that the bill would be effective June 1, 2013; the age would increase from 15 years to 16 years, then 16 years to 17 years with final implementation in 2015. Ms. Roddy asked what the cost implication for the school system is. Mr. Novak responded the cost would be \$48.8 million state wide. There is no breakdown beyond the state level at this time.

On motion of Mr. Uhlfelder, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board voted to oppose SB41 – Education – Age for Compulsory Public School Attendance - Exemptions (favor-11; abstained-1). Ms. Roddy abstained from voting on this item.

Mr. Novak noted that HB 398 and SB 397 were filed to create a Task Force to study a school board process and structure. The Task Force would consist of the following 12 members:

SCHOOL LEGISLATION (cont)

- the chair of the Baltimore County Senate Delegation, or the Chair's designee;
- three members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the Chair of the Baltimore County Senate Delegation;
- the chair of the Baltimore County House Delegation, or the Chair's designee;
- three members of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Chair of the Baltimore County House Delegation;
- three members, appointed by the Baltimore County Executive; and
- one member, appointed by the Chair of the Baltimore County Council.

Mr. Novak noted that, if the bill passes, the Task Force would hold at least one public meeting to permit members of the general public and stakeholder organizations to testify about the issues being studied.

On motion of Mr. Janssen, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board unanimously voted to oppose SB141 – Baltimore County – Hybrid School Board – Election and Appointment of Members.

Based upon Ms. Shriver's comments early this evening, Mr. Bowler asked whether the Aid to Education for Non-Public School bill has been filed. Mr. Novak responded that the budget proposed for FY12 would maintain the same levels of funding for the state for non-public schools, which would be about \$4.5 million per year. Mr. Novak also noted that the BOAST tax credit bill for non-public schools was just recently filed.

Ms. O'Hare asked how much of the \$4.5 million would come to Baltimore County. Mr. Novak stated that he would check and report the information back to the Board.

REPORTS

The Board received the following reports:

- A. **Report on the Use of School Facilities** – Mr. Michael Sines, Executive Director of Physical Facilities, and Mr. William Wingerd, Operations Administrator for Physical Facilities, provided an overview of BCPS' policies, rules, and guidelines for managing the safe and appropriate use of school facilities. BCPS provides numerous curricular and extracurricular activities beyond the regular school day, including:
- Extended School Year Programming
 - Supplemental Educational Services
 - After-school clubs, organizations, and student groups
 - Interscholastic sporting events and practices

REPORTS (cont)

- Instrumental and vocal music performances and rehearsals
- Theatrical performances and rehearsals, and practices
- Dance and cheerleading performances and rehearsals
- Back-to-school nights
- Parent-teacher meetings and conferences
- Meetings with faculty and/or staff

Board Policy and Superintendent's Rule 1300, *Use of School Facilities*, allows community groups and organizations to conduct fundraising activities on Board property as long as all monies derived from such fundraising activities are used for the direct support of the educational mission of BCPS or the purpose of the school, school community, or school system.

As outlined in Superintendent's Rule 1300, Mr. Sines and Mr. Wingerd highlighted the following areas:

- Priority of Use
- Conditions of Use
- Activities not permitted on Board property
- Insurance and loss prevention
- Special civic events
- Recycling and trash program.

Ms. O'Hare asked whether the application process for community clean-up days could be expedited. Mr. Sines responded that his department receives calls from elected officials alerting the school system about dumping on school property. The school system dedicates staff to ensure the school grounds are safe.

Mr. Uhlfelder asked how many facilities have been added since 2004. Mr. Sines responded two or three. Mr. Uhlfelder asked whether the facilities are being used "five times more" than 2004. Mr. Sines responded that the school system is attempting to manage its resources effectively. In managing facilities, we need to know who is using the buildings and why.

Mr. Sines noted that this report only identifies the activities the school system has approved through its process. It is possible that all events and activities taking place in school buildings have not yet been identified.

Dr. Hairston stated that this issue is about facilities management. It took four years to building a maintenance department and receive county funding to put schools back into functional use. The process is not meant to prohibit the community from participating, but to permit the school system to maintain its facilities.

REPORTS (cont)

Mr. Hines asked whether additional staff is required for events. Mr. Sines responded that if a community organization uses the facilities and requires custodial coverage, there is a charge to that organization.

Mr. Schmidt reiterated state law, which reads, "...each county board shall encourage the use of public school facilities for the use of school purposes." Mr. Sines stated that he is unaware of any other LEA that would come close with BCPS volume of use of facilities. This is not about prohibition; it is about managing resources and achieving the mission.

Mr. Janssen stated that the Department of Physical Facilities cannot afford to have any increase in materials costs. Mr. Janssen commented that, while there may not be a perfect answer, Mr. Sines and his staff have done a good job with maintaining the system's facilities.

Ms. Johnson asked how the interest evolved. Mr. Sines responded that he has received e-mails, listened to stakeholder groups, and that the issue has been brought before the Board. Ms. Johnson asked whether complaints have been received across the county. Mr. Sines responded that the school system has not had a great number of people expressing concern except for when an application is disapproved.

Ms. O'Hare asked how many recreation and parks applications have been approved out of 5,000 received. Mr. Wingerd responded approximately 50%. Ms. O'Hare asked whether recreation and parks pays for the maintenance of the school buildings. Mr. Sines responded that BCPS has a formal joint use of agreement between the two agencies. Mr. Robert Barrett, Executive Office of Community Outreach, stated that recreation and parks does not share in the utility cost. He stated that the numbers do not include the outdoor use of school property. Mr. Barrett noted that the few complaints received are minor in comparison with the number of permits that are approved.

INFORMATION

The Board received the following as information:

- A. Revised Superintendent's Rule 4004 – PERSONNEL: General-Suspected Child Abuse, Neglect, and/or Inappropriate Behavior Towards a Student by an Employee of the Baltimore County Public Schools
- B. Revised Superintendent's Rule 4215 (renumbered to 4012) – PERSONNEL: Personal Protective Equipment

INFORMATION (cont)

- C. Revised Superintendent's Rule 5561 – STUDENTS: School Use of Reportable Offenses
- D. Southeast Area Education Advisory Council Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2010

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Hines made the following announcements:

- The Northwest Area Education Advisory Council will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, February 15, 2011, at Old Court Middle School beginning at 7:00 p.m.
- The Southwest Area Education Advisory Council will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, February 16, 2011, at Catonsville Middle School beginning at 7:00 p.m.
- The Central Area Education Advisory Council will hold its next meeting on Thursday, February 17, 2011, at Pleasant Plains Elementary School beginning at 7:00 p.m.
- Schools and offices will be closed on Monday, February 21, 2011, in observance of Presidents' Day. Schools and offices will reopen for on Tuesday, February 22, 2011.
- The Board of Education of Baltimore County will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, February 22, 2011, at Greenwood. The meeting will begin with an open session at approximately 5:15 p.m. The Board will then adjourn to meet in closed session. The open session will reconvene at approximately 6:30 p.m. The public is welcome to all open sessions.

Mr. Hines 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. Hines also asked speakers to observe the light system, which lets the speaker know when time is up. He asked speakers to conclude their remarks when they see the red light.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Kay Hardisky asked the Board to allow the craft fair to continue at Ridgely Middle School.

Mr. Antonio Wolff expressed his strong support for including the necessary funding to complete the architectural plans for an addition at Stoneleigh Elementary School.

Mr. Win Boyer stated that the Parkville High School Athletic Boosters Club has sponsored a flea market and craft fair for over 30 years. Mr. Boyer asked the Board to allow these events to continue at school facilities.

Ms. Rita Hall stated that the largest fundraiser at Catonsville High School is the craft fair. Ms. Hall asked the Board to allow the craft fairs back into the school.

Ms. Alice Rhodes stated that it is unfair to discontinue craft fairs while other businesses are repeatedly soliciting students each year. She stated that, if craft fairs are no longer allowed, then the PTA would be forced to increase its direction donation and direct sales programs. Ms. Rhodes urged the Board to reconsider its decision to discontinue the craft fairs.

Ms. Laura Lechtzin stated that funding for Stoneleigh Elementary School was abandoned in May 2010. She urged the Board to support immediate funding for an architectural design for Stoneleigh Elementary School.

Dr. Laurie Taylor-Mitchell stated that the report on Use of School Facilities heard earlier this evening was misleading. She stated her belief that the number of groups denied access to school facilities had jumped by 47% last year. She asked the Board to demand revisions to Superintendent's Rule 1300.

Mr. Warren Hack stated that Franklin High School students lost a year of a marching band program due to the "Joint Use of High School Stadiums" agreement between BCPS and Baltimore County Department of Recreation and Parks.

Dr. Bash Pharoan expressed concern that public comments are noted in meeting minutes by only two or three lines. He stated that when he has asked for membership, data, and other items, his request has been rejected. Dr. Pharoan asked the Board to discuss and debate the issue of holidays.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned its meeting at 10:14 p.m.

ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTION

At 10:21 p.m., President Earnest E. Hines and the following Board members were present: Mr. Michael H. Bowler, Mr. James E. Coleman, Mr. Rodger C. Janssen, Ms. Ramona N. Johnson, Mr. George J. Moniodis, Ms. Mary-Margaret O'Hare, Mr. H. Edward Parker, Ms. Valerie A. Roddy, Lawrence E. Schmidt, Esquire, Mr. David Uhlfelder, and Mr. Rohan Goswami. In addition, Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent of Schools, and the following staff members were present: Margaret-Ann F. Howie, Esquire, General Counsel; Andrew W. Nussbaum, Esquire, Counsel to the Board of Education; and Ms. Brenda Stiffler, Administrative Assistant to the Board.

The Board discussed the impending presidential visit.

The Board adjourned its administrative function session at 10:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joe A. Hairston
Secretary-Treasurer

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LEAVES

CHILD REARING LEAVES

ANDREA M. FRAZIER – (Elementary) – Formerly Victory Villa Elementary School
Effective February 16, 2011 through February 16, 2013

MEGAN L. POWER – (Elementary) – Formerly Hampton Elementary School
Effective June 19, 2011 through June 19, 2013

MARIANNE M. WORTHINGTON – (Counselor) – Western School of Technology
Effective March 8, 2011 through March 8, 2013

MILITARY LEAVE

GEORGE D. RAMSEY – (Building Service Worker) – Sparrows Point High School
Effective February 4, 2011 through February 4, 2012

PERSONAL ILLNESS LEAVE

TRISCH E. BLUM – (Bus Attendant) – Transportation
Effective January 1, 2011 through January 1, 2012

FANTAHUN G. GEBRESELASSIE – (Building Service Worker) – Chatsworth School
Effective February 1, 2011 through February 1, 2012

UNUSUAL AND IMPERATIVE LEAVE

ELIZABETH L. CURTISS – (Elementary) – Catonsville Elementary School
Effective July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012

Board of Education President's Report

March 8, 2011

Purpose: The Board is continually asked questions concerning many areas of our educational system. They come from public testimony, direct inquires to Board members, public hearings on capital and operating budgets, and area advisory councils. Some are local to individual schools, while others cross the system. Each month during this portion of our meeting, I will provide a report which will be in response to some public concerns that Board members have become aware of. My responses will not address personnel, legal, or confidential matters.

Public Comment

Issue: Use of Facilities

Response: A comprehensive Report on the Use of Facilities was presented during the February 8 meeting of the Board. A copy of this report can be found on the Baltimore County Public Schools Web site at www.bcps.org/board/exhibits/2011/020811ExhibitZ.pd. The Board will also discuss this issue at its Retreat scheduled for March 19.

Issue: Stoneleigh Elementary School

Response: The renovations and addition to Stoneleigh Elementary School remains a priority for the Board and will remain on the capital improvement program.

Issue: Language Arts Curriculum

Response: The transition to the State Common Core Standards will provide an opportunity to develop a rigorous, focused, and vertically aligned PreK-12 Reading, English, Language Arts Curriculum.

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RETIREMENTS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SCHOOL/OFFICE</u>	<u>YRS. OF SERVICE</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
Brenda Allison	Special Ed Teacher	Milford Mill Academy	20.4	01/01/11
Jo Amrose	Special Ed Teacher	Mars Estates Elementary	37.0	07/01/11
Thomas Bateman	English Teacher	Eastern Tech High	4.0	07/01/11
Linda Becker	Assistant Principal	Perry Hall High	22.0	07/01/11
Brenda Benson	Classroom Teacher	Fifth District Elementary	25.3	07/01/11
Robert Burnham	Phys Ed Teacher	Sparrows Point Middle	21.0	07/01/11
Brenda Buzzell	Special Ed Teacher	Charlesmont Elementary	31.0	07/01/11
Pilar Chollet	Spanish Teacher	Perry Hall High	14.0	07/01/11
Jan Culp	Psychologist	Chatsworth School	28.0	07/01/11
Kathleen Eareckson	Classroom Teacher	Westowne Elementary	43.0	07/01/11
Barbara Fish	Lib Sci Media Teacher	Warren Elementary	13.6	07/01/11
Linda Fitchett	Director	Transportation	33.0	04/01/11
Donna Freese	Art Teacher	Padonia Elementary	30.0	07/01/11
Lynne Glennon	Classroom Teacher	Kingsville Elementary	35.3	07/01/11
Claire Greenhouse	Nurse	Ridgely Middle	31.0	07/01/11
Gail Harper	Mentor	Gen John Stricker Middle	30.0	07/01/11
Marta Harrison	ESOL Teacher	Parkville High	34.9	07/01/11
Jack Henry	COP	Chesapeake High	28.0	07/01/11
Margaret Hummel	Paraeducator	Franklin Middle	25.0	07/01/11
Suzanne Johnson-Ritz	Special Ed Teacher	Ridgely Middle	11.6	03/01/11
Ann Katz	Classroom Teacher	Padonia Elementary	32.3	07/01/11

Carol Kemble	Classroom Teacher	Westowne Elementary	34.6	07/01/11
Susan Koenig	Lib Sci Media Teacher	Joppa View Elementary	37.0	07/01/11
Mary Landes	Health	Franklin High	30.0	07/01/11
Bettie Lantz	Guidance Secretary	Golden Ring Middle	28.9	02/01/11
Elizabeth Lowers	Social Studies Teacher	Sparrows Point High	39.8	07/01/11
Linda Mohler	French Teacher	Catonsville High	29.0	07/01/11
Leslie Mosher	Reading Teacher	Ridgely Middle	25.6	07/01/11
Lynne Muller	Coordinator	School Counseling Svcs.	38.5	02 /01/11
Suzan Nelson	Kindergarten Teacher	Red House Run Elementary	14.0	07/01/11
David Pabst	English Teacher	Franklin Middle	34.5	02/01/11
Terre Patrick	Classroom Teacher	Perry Hall Elementary	24.8	07/01/11
Susan Petrusik	Office Secretary	Lansdowne High	25.5	07/01/11
Catherine Pundt	English Teacher	Franklin High	35.0	07/01/11
Ann Ritchey	Classroom Teacher	Bear Creek Elementary	44.5	07/01/11
Cheryl Rosenfeld	Spanish Teacher	Catonsville High	25.7	07/01/11
Eleanor Saulsbury	Kindergarten Teacher	Norwood Elementary	43.0	07/01/11
Kathleen Schmidt	Principal	Franklin High	41.0	07/01/11
Barbara Sharrer	Resource Teacher	Lansdowne Elementary	31.5	07/01/11
Helene Siegel	Special Ed Teacher	Riverview Elementary	25.0	07/01/11
Brenda Stark	Vocational Teacher	Western School Tech	25.0	07/01/11
Sally Terveer	Para Educator	White Oak School	18.6	07/01/11
Barbara Tidd	Bus Attendant	Dundalk Bus Lot	6.4	01/01/11
Joanne Walp	Nurse	Chesapeake High	14.8	07/01/11
Bernadette Worthing	Reading Specialist	Sparks Elementary	11.2	03/01/11

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RESIGNATIONS

ELEMENTARY – 5

Dundalk Elementary School

Meaghan J. Burns, 06/30/11, 5.0 yrs.
Grade 2

Hernwood Elementary School

Carla D. Hynes, 02/11/11, 2.0 yrs., 3.0 mos.
Nurse

Joppa View Elementary School

Cynthia A. Schoeffield, 06/30/11, 19.0 yrs.
Special Education – Self-Contained

Padonia Elementary School

Karie A. Marchewka, 01/21/11, 3.0 yrs., 4.0 mos.
Special Education – Self-Contained

Sandalwood Elementary School

Lauren K. Dewald, 02/04/11, 2.0 yrs., 6.0 mos.
Nurse

SECONDARY – 9

Crossroads Center

Tirrell M. White, 02/04/11, 9.0 yrs., 5.0 mos.
Special Education - Inclusion

Deer Park Middle Magnet School

Jessica L. Cileone, 01/25/11, 5.0 mos.
English

Dundalk High School

Brooke W. Walters, 06/30/11, 2.0 yrs.
Spanish

New Town High School

Katrina J. Vinciguerra, 06/30/11, 2.0 yrs.
Spanish

Patapsco High School

Robert A. Forster, 01/21/11, 5.0 mos.
Special Education – Inclusion

Pikesville Middle School

Nazlah S. Johnson, 02/04/11, 5.0 mos.
Special Education – Self-Contained

Rosedale Center

Alyssa J. Manna, 06/30/11, 6.0 yrs.
Mathematics

Sparrows Point Middle School

Angela D. Walchli, 06/30/11, 2.0 yrs.
Reading

Woodlawn High School

Akeda L. Pearson-Stenbar, 01/24/11, 6.0 yrs., 2.0 mos.
English

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RECOMMENDED APPOINTMENTS

NAME

FROM

TO

GWENDOLYN M. HENDERSON
(Effective March 9, 2011)

Program Leader/Support Teacher/
Transportation Coordinator
Curtis Bay Elementary/Middle School
Baltimore City Public Schools

Pupil Personnel
Worker

(Replacing Christie Carr, Child Rearing Leave)

BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DATE: March 8, 2011

TO: **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

FROM: Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent

RE: **RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AWARD OF CONTRACTS**

ORIGINATOR: Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent

PERSON(S): Rick Gay, Manager, Office of Purchasing
Michael G. Sines, Executive Director, Department of Physical Facilities

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education approves the following contract recommendations.

See the attached list of contract recommendations presented for consideration by the Board of Education of Baltimore County.

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Appendix I – Recommendations for Award of Contracts – Board Exhibit

**Recommendations for Award of Contracts
Board Exhibit – March 8, 2011**

The following contract recommendations are presented for consideration by the Board of Education of Baltimore County.

- 1. Contract Modification:** Building Inspections for Asbestos
Contract #: PCR-292-11

Term: N/A	Extension: N/A	Contract Ending Date: 6/30/12
Previous award value:	\$ 248,000	
Estimated modification amount:	\$ 55,000	
New estimated total award value:	\$ 303,000	

Board meeting date: March 8, 2011

Description:

The Board approved this contract on September 7, 2010. This contract modification increases the award value to allow the contract awardees to obtain additional bulk samples throughout the school system.

This contract consists of independent testing agencies providing inspection and management plan services as required for BCPS to comply with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act, per Federal Requirement 40 CFR, part 763.

Recommendation:

Award of contract modification is recommended to:

Advanced Air Analysis, Inc.	Baltimore, MD
Batta Environmental Associates	Newark, DE

Responsible school or office: Department of Physical Facilities

Contact person: Michael G. Sines

Funding source: Operating budget

2. Contract Modification: Field Trip Transportation Services
Contract #: PCR-204-11

Term: N/A **Extension:** N/A **Contract Ending Date:** 6/30/21
Previous award value: \$ N/A
Estimated modification amount: \$ N/A
New estimated total award value: \$ N/A

Board meeting date: March 8, 2010

Description:

The Board approved this contract on January 12, 2011, and a contract modification adding a vendor on February 8, 2011. This contract modification adds two providers to the contract as permitted by the original solicitation.

This contract provides for student transportation services for after-school activities. Activities range from local athletic and music competitions to daylong and overnight cultural trips. Services are employed when BCPS’ own fleet is unavailable (due to regular bus route service) or incapable of meeting the trip requirement (such as coach service).

Award bidders have met vehicle and facility inspection criteria that include equipment and on-road performance evaluations and driver investigations that require on-file background investigation, citizenship status, and drug-free testing. Additionally, award bidders are subject to a no-notice inspection focused on safety and serviceability of a specific vehicle and driver.

Recommendation:

Award of contract modification is recommended to:

Durham School Services	Baltimore, MD
Golden Ring Travel & Transportation, Inc.	Baltimore, MD

Responsible school or office: Department of Planning and Support Operations

Contact person: Kara Calder

Funding source: Operating budget

3. Contract: Autism and Language Delay Developmental Software
Contract #: RGA-137-11

Term: 1 year **Extension:** N/A **Contract Ending Date:** 3/31/12
Estimated annual award value: \$ 29,774
Estimated total award value: \$ 29,774

Board meeting date: March 8, 2011
Bid issued: N/A
Pre-bid meeting date: N/A
Due date: N/A
No. of vendors issued to: N/A
No. of bids received: N/A
No. of no-bids received: N/A

Description:

This contract consists of the purchase of TeachTown, a computer-based intervention program for students with autism in Kindergarten and Grade 1. There are computer lessons and other learning activities that provide automated data collection for each student using the program. The program also provides reports on each student's progress over time. The learning activities provide reinforcement for generalization and transitioning to a student's natural environment.

TeachTown has demonstrated efficacy for students with autism, showing significant improvement by increasing the students' motivation and engagement in learning. With access to the Internet, all the adults in the child's learning experience, including parents, can review what the child is working on each day and see a student's progress over time.

Under section §7-106, Paragraph (a) of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, BCPS purchases the above materials upon the recommendation of the county superintendent and the adopted procedures of the county board. This recommendation is in accordance with Board of Education Policy and Superintendent's Rule 6002. Instructional materials are recommended after being carefully evaluated and selected by a curriculum and instruction committee for use in the subject area; the selected materials support the curriculum and meet the diverse needs of students. Under Superintendent's Rule 6002, instructional materials may be consumable and expendable and include, but are not limited to, such items as charts, kits, textbooks, magazines, newspapers, pictures, recordings, slides, transparencies, videos, video discs, workbooks, and electronic resources such as software, CD-ROMs, and online services.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

TeachTown	Los Angeles, CA
Responsible school or office:	Department of Special Programs
Contact person:	Kathleen McMahon
Funding source:	Operating budget, Pre-school ARRA grant and Title II funds

4. Contract: Automobiles
Contract #: MWE-835-11 (State of Maryland BPO #001B1400296)

Term: 8 months **Extension:** N/A **Contract Ending Date:** 10/31/11
Estimated annual award value: \$ 40,491
Estimated total award value: \$ 40,491

Board meeting date: March 8, 2011
Bid issued: N/A
Pre-bid meeting date: N/A
Due date: N/A
No. of vendors issued to: N/A
No. of bids received: N/A
No. of no-bids received: N/A

Description:

This contract replaces three 1998 fleet automobiles that will be disposed of at auction. Replacement is based on the established replacement schedule for age and mileage.

Section §5-112. Paragraph (3) of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland allows BCPS to participate in contracts for goods or commodities that are awarded by other public agencies or by intergovernmental purchasing organizations if the lead agency for the contract follows the public bidding procedures.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

Hertrich Fleet Services

Denton, MD

Responsible school or office:

Department of Planning and Support
Operations

Contact person:

Kara Calder

Funding source:

Operating budget

5. Contract: Cabinetmaker Services
Contract #: MWE-823-11

Term: 3 years **Extension:** 1 year **Contract Ending Date:** 3/31/15
Estimated annual award value: \$ 75,000
Estimated total award value: \$ 300,000

Board meeting date: March 8, 2011
Bid issued: December 16, 2010
Pre-bid meeting date: January 6, 2011
Due date: January 20, 2011
No. of vendors issued to: 15
No. of bids received: 3
No. of no-bids received: 0

Description:

This contract is to provide cabinetmaking services on an as-needed basis. These services will primarily be used for custom installations of interactive white boards in locations where a standard installation against a flat wall will not work.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

Most, Inc.	Baltimore, MD
Russell Enterprises, Inc.	Forest Hill, MD
Summerhill Cabinets	Westminster, MD

Responsible school or office: Department of Physical Facilities

Contact person: Michael G. Sines

Funding source: Operating budget

6. Contract: Computer Assisted Curriculum for Non-Certificate Bound Students
Contract #: RGA-138-11

Term: 1 year **Extension:** N/A **Contract Ending Date:** 3/31/12
Estimated annual award value: \$ 39,634
Estimated total award value: \$ 39,634

Board meeting date: March 8, 2011
Bid issued: N/A
Pre-bid meeting date: N/A
Due date: N/A
No. of vendors issued to: N/A
No. of bids received: N/A
No. of no-bids received: N/A

Description:

Unique Learning System is a complete, dynamic intervention program provided monthly for students with special learning needs who are non-diploma bound. It is the only comprehensive and consistent modified curriculum designed specifically for special learners who take the state's alternate Maryland school assessment/high school assessment. Unique Learning System comes in five grade bands: elementary, intermediate, middle school, high school, and transitional. All five grade bands are developed with a life-skills focus, yet maintaining the academic standards-based requirements needed to meet federal mandates of Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and No Child Left Behind. The units are centered on a science or social studies topic and incorporate reading, writing, math, science, and history. These lessons are aligned with content standards and differentiated into three levels of participation: level 1 students, who require maximum support; level 2 students, who require some support; and level 3 students, who show the potential to learn and have the greatest amount of independence.

This program provides both a student profile and checkpoints to assess the content that is presented in the monthly units. The checkpoints assess the reading, math, and content understanding from the unit administered through pre- and post-assessment tools.

Under section §7-106, Paragraph (a) of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, BCPS purchases the above materials upon the recommendation of the county superintendent and the adopted procedures of the county Board. This recommendation is in accordance with Board of Education Policy and Superintendent's Rule 6002. Instructional materials are recommended after being carefully evaluated and selected by a curriculum & instruction committee for use in the subject area; the selected materials support the curriculum and meet the diverse needs of students. Under Superintendent's Rule 6002, instructional materials may be consumable and expendable and include, but are not limited to, such items as charts, kits, textbooks, magazines, newspapers, pictures, recordings, slides, transparencies, videos, video discs, workbooks, and electronic resources such as software, CD-ROMs, and online services.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

News 2 You/Unique Learning Systems

Huron, OH

Responsible school or office:

Department of Special Programs

Contact person:

Kathleen McMahon

Funding source:

Alt-MSA grant and Operating budget

7. **Contract:** Cohort – Maryland Approved Alternative Preparation Program/Resident
Teacher Certification: Special Education – Cohort 9

Contract #: RGA-923-11

Term: 2 years **Extension:** N/A **Contract Ending Date:** 6/30/13

Estimated annual award value: \$ 75,000

Estimated total award value: \$ 150,000

Board meeting date: March 8, 2011

Bid issued: N/A

Pre-bid meeting date: N/A

Due date: N/A

No. of vendors issued to: N/A

No. of bids received: N/A

No. of no-bids received: N/A

Description:

This contract is for a cohort program to provide 30 credit hours in special education graduate coursework, beginning in the summer semester of 2011 and concluding in the spring semester of 2013, leading to a Maryland standard professional certificate. Enrollment is open to new BCPS teachers with a maximum of 20 participants.

There is a need to provide highly qualified and certified special education teachers.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

Goucher College

Towson, MD

Responsible school or office:

Department of Professional Development

Contact person:

William S. Burke

Funding source:

Operating budget

8. Contract: Cohort – Master of Education in Reading Cohort 1/Reading Specialist
Contract #: RGA-924-11

Term: 4 years **Extension:** N/A **Contract Ending Date:** 12/31/15
Estimated annual award value: \$ 40,500
Estimated total award value: \$ 162,000

Board meeting date: March 8, 2011
Bid issued: N/A
Pre-bid meeting date: N/A
Due date: N/A
No. of vendors issued to: N/A
No. of bids received: N/A
No. of no-bids received: N/A

Description:

This contract is for a cohort program to provide 36 credit hours in graduate reading coursework, beginning in the fall semester of 2011 and concluding in the fall semester of 2015, leading to a master of education in reading and reading specialist certification. Enrollment is open to all BCPS teachers with a maximum of 18 participants.

There is a need to provide a pool of highly qualified reading specialists.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

Towson University

Towson, MD

Responsible school or office:

Department of Professional Development

Contact person:

William S. Burke

Funding source:

Operating budget

9. Contract: Cohort – World Languages
Contract #: RGA-925-11

Term: 2 years **Extension:** N/A **Contract Ending Date:** 6/30/13
Estimated annual award value: \$ 60,125
Estimated total award value: \$ 120,250

Board meeting date: March 8, 2011
Bid issued: N/A
Pre-bid meeting date: N/A
Due date: N/A
No. of vendors issued to: N/A
No. of bids received: N/A
No. of no-bids received: N/A

Description:

This contract is for a cohort program to provide 21 credit hours in world languages graduate coursework, beginning in the fall semester of 2011 and concluding in the summer semester of 2013, leading to a Maryland standard professional certificate. Enrollment is open to new BCPS teachers with a maximum of 21 participants.

There is a need to provide highly qualified and certified world languages teachers.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

College of Notre Dame of Maryland

Baltimore, MD

Responsible school or office:

Department of Professional Development

Contact person:

William S. Burke

Funding source:

Operating budget

10. Contract: eCatalog – Science Supplies
Contract #: PCR-216-11 (Carroll County Public Schools #P/106137)

Term: 1 year **Extension:** 2 years **Contract Ending Date:** 5/30/14
Estimated annual award value: \$ N/A
Estimated total award value: \$ N/A

Board meeting date: March 8, 2011
Bid issued: N/A
Pre-bid meeting date: N/A
Due date: N/A
No. of vendors issued to: N/A
No. of bids received: N/A
No. of no-bids received: N/A

Description:

This contract adds a vendor to BCPS’ price agreement for science supply items. These items will be available through our online catalog system, eSchoolMall.

Board policy 3210 and §5-112, Paragraph (3) of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland allows BCPS to utilize contracts awarded or negotiated by other government agencies.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

Carolina Biological Supply Co.

Burlington, NC

Responsible school or office:

Department of Science, Technology,
Engineering, and Mathematics

Contact person:

Dr. John Quinn

Funding source:

Operating budget

11. Contract: Online Tutoring
Contract #: MWE-821-11

Term: 5 years **Extension:** 1 year **Contract Ending Date:** 6/30/17
Estimated annual award value: \$ 100,000
Estimated total award value: \$ 600,000

Board meeting date: March 8, 2011
Bid issued: November 18, 2010
Pre-bid meeting date: December 2, 2010
Due date: December 16, 2010
No. of vendors issued to: 33
No. of bids received: 6
No. of no-bids received: 1

Description:

This contract consists of providing online tutoring services. Services will be available for elementary and secondary grade levels in all core subjects for a group of students selected by the Department of Student Support Services. Online tutoring was defined as one-to-one teacher/student interaction.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

Brainfuse, Inc.
Tutor.com, Inc.

New York, NY
New York, NY

Responsible school or office: Department of Student Support Services

Contact person: Dale R. Rauenzahn

Funding source: Operating budget

12. Contract: Trucks
Contract #: MWE-830-11

Term: 9 months **Extension:** N/A **Contract Ending Date:** 12/31/11
Estimated annual award value: \$ 825,660
Estimated total award value: \$ 825,660

Board meeting date: March 8, 2011
Bid issued: January 13, 2011
Pre-bid meeting date: January 20, 2011
Due date: February 3, 2011
No. of vendors issued to: 28
No. of bids received: 3
No. of no-bids received: 0

Description:

This contract is to purchase a total of 14 replacement trucks for the Department of Physical Facilities, the Office of Transportation, and the Office of Food and Nutrition Services.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

Chesapeake Ford Truck Sales	Baltimore, MD
Criswell Chevrolet, Inc.	Gaithersburg, MD
Mercedes Benz Sprinter of Baltimore	Catonsville, MD

Responsible school or office: Department of Planning and Support Operations

Contact person: Kara Calder

Funding source: Operating budget

13. Contract Modification: Consultant Design Services – Architectural/Engineering (A/E) Services for Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools

Contract #: MWE-839-09

Term: N/A	Extension: N/A	Contract Ending Date: N/A
Original contract amount:	\$	5,925,335
Current approved modification amount	\$	118,000
Requested increase to modification amount	\$	267,000
New estimated total contract value	\$	6,310,335

Board meeting date: March 8, 2011

Description:

On June 9, 2009, the Board approved the contract fee plus a contingency to the firm of Grieves, Worrall, Wright & O’Hatnick, Inc. (GWWO) of \$6,043,835 for the design phases and construction administration of the Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools.

This contract modification allows for the addition of project commission services (for LEED certification) and additional construction bid packages.

Recommendation:

Award of contract modification is recommended to:

Grieves, Worrall, Wright & O’Hatnick, Inc. Baltimore, MD
(GWWO)

Responsible school or office: Department of Physical Facilities

Contact person: Michael G. Sines

Funding source: Capital budget

14. Contract Modification: Consultant Services – Architectural/Engineering (A/E)
Services for Milford Mill Academy

Contract #: JMI-628-08

Term: N/A	Extension: N/A	Contract Ending Date: N/A
Original contract amount:	\$	46,822
Current approved modification amount	\$	1,974,740
Requested increase to modification amount	\$	87,492
New estimated total contract value	\$	2,109,054

Board meeting date: March 8, 2011

Description:

On February 26, 2008, the Board gave approval for the Department of Physical Facilities to conduct contract negotiations with Gannett Fleming, Inc., for a feasibility study of the Milford Mill Academy. On April 8, 2008, the Board approved the expenditure of \$46,822 to Gannett Fleming, Inc., for the feasibility study and report. A fee of \$1,974,740 was then negotiated and approved by the Board on November 5, 2008, for design services through construction administration.

This contract modification consists of additional construction period services typically handled by the construction management team through September 2011.

Recommendation:

Award of contract modification is recommended to:

Gannett Fleming, Inc. Baltimore, MD

Responsible school or office: Department of Physical Facilities

Contact person: Michael G. Sines

Funding source: Capital budget

15. Contract: Construction of a New School Construction Package (1B) Waste Management –
Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools
Contract #: JMI-616-11

Term: N/A	Extension: N/A	Contract Ending Date:	N/A
Estimated annual award value:	\$	296,600	
Estimated contingency amount:	\$	29,600	
Estimated total award value:	\$	326,200	

Board meeting date:	March 8, 2011
Bid issued:	December 2, 2010
Pre-bid meeting date:	December 6, 2010
Due date:	January 13, 2011
No. of vendors issued to:	68
No. of bids received:	1
No. of no-bids received:	0

Description:

This contract package 1B provides for waste removal from the construction site and to monitor the construction waste to comply with LEED certification for the project and all ancillary materials required to accomplish the work.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

BFI Waste Services, LLC	
DBA Allied Waste Services of Baltimore	Baltimore, MD

Responsible school or office:	Department of Physical Facilities
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Contact person:	Michael G. Sines
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Funding source:	Capital budget
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Contract: Construction of a New School Construction Package (1B) Waste Management –
Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools

Contract #: JMI-616-11

	Bidders' Names
	BFI Waste Services, LLC DBA Allied Waste Services of Baltimore
Base Bid	\$296,600
Alternate No. 1A ADD: Provide Auditorium as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0
Alternate No. 2A ADD: Provide Music Suite as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0
Alternate No. 3A ADD: Provide Exercise Room and Wrestling Room as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0
Alternate No. 5A ADD: Provide Alternate Floor Finish Terrazzo Tile in lieu of VCT as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0
Alternate No. 8A ADD: Provide Marker Boards as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0
Alternate No. 10A ADD: Provide stainless steel ductwork construction in lieu of galvanized as indicated on drawings with Davis-Bacon	\$0
Alternate No. 11 ADD: Add amount to base bid for utilizing Davis-Bacon	\$0
Total	\$296,600

16. Contract: Construction of a New School Construction Package (5B) Miscellaneous Metals
– Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools

Contract #: JMI-616-11

Term: N/A	Extension: N/A	Contract Ending Date:	N/A
Estimated annual award value:		\$	1,242,020
Estimated contingency amount:		\$	124,200
Estimated total award value:		\$	1,366,220

Board meeting date:	March 8, 2011
Bid issued:	December 2, 2010
Pre-bid meeting date:	December 6, 2010
Due date:	January 13, 2011
No. of vendors issued to:	68
No. of bids received:	4
No. of no-bids received:	0

Description:

This contract package 5B provides for miscellaneous steel required for the construction of this facility, including, but not limited to, steel angles, channels, bent plates for bracing various elements of the building and steel railings, and all ancillary materials required to accomplish the work.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

S. A. Halac Iron Works, Inc.	Sterling, VA
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Responsible school or office:	Department of Physical Facilities
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Contact person:	Michael G. Sines
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Funding source:	Capital budget
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Contract: Construction of a New School Construction Package (5B) Miscellaneous Metals –
Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools

Contract #: JMI-616-11

	Bidders' Names			
	S. A. Halac Iron Works, Inc.	Steel Fab Enterprises, LLC	Baltimore Steel Erectors, LLC	Crystal Steel Fabricators, Inc.
Base Bid	\$1,090,000	\$1,368,000	\$1,990,259	\$2,267,000
Alternate No. 1A ADD: Provide Auditorium as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$55,120	\$35,600	NA	\$18,300
Alternate No. 2A ADD: Provide Music Suite as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$6,500	\$4,300	NA	\$18,300
Alternate No. 3A ADD: Provide Exercise Room and Wrestling Room as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$13,000	\$1,500	NA	\$26,100
Alternate No. 5A ADD: Provide Alternate Floor Finish Terrazzo Tile in lieu of VCT as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0	\$0	NA	NA
Alternate No. 8A ADD: Provide Marker Boards as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0	\$0	NA	NA
Alternate No. 10A ADD: Provide stainless steel ductwork construction in lieu of galvanized as indicated on drawings with Davis-Bacon	\$0	\$0	NA	NA
Alternate No. 11 ADD: Add amount to base bid for utilizing Davis-Bacon	\$77,400	\$208,000	NA	\$56,000
Total	\$1,242,020	\$1,617,400	\$1,990,259	\$2,385,700

17. Contract: Construction of a New School Construction Package (6A) General Trades – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools

Contract #: JMI-616-11

Term: N/A	Extension: N/A	Contract Ending Date:	N/A
Estimated annual award value:		\$	4,862,700
Estimated contingency amount:		\$	486,270
Estimated total award value:		\$	5,348,970

Board meeting date:	March 8, 2011
Bid issued:	December 2, 2010
Pre-bid meeting date:	December 6, 2010
Due date:	January 13, 2011
No. of vendors issued to:	68
No. of bids received:	5
No. of no-bids received:	0

Description:

This contract package 6A provides for general trades for construction of this facility which includes, but is not limited to, the following: doors and frames, lockers, hardware, visual display surfaces, signage and rough carpentry, and all ancillary materials required to accomplish the work.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

Hancock & Albanese, Inc.

Elkridge, MD

Responsible school or office:

Department of Physical Facilities

Contact person:

Michael G. Sines

Funding source:

Capital budget

Contract: Construction of a New School Construction Package (6A) General Trades – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools

Contract #: JMI-616-11

	Bidders' Names				
	Hancock & Albanese, Inc.	Master Carpentry Corp.	Southway Builders, Inc.	Homewood General Contractors, Inc.	Commercial Interiors, Inc.
Base Bid	\$4,173,000	\$4,741,655	\$4,484,150	\$4,557,700	\$5,599,125
Alternate No. 1A ADD: Provide Auditorium as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$441,000	\$444,142	\$701,500	\$774,000	\$288,818
Alternate No. 2A ADD: Provide Music Suite as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$81,700	\$42,329	\$64,200	\$78,000	\$29,888
Alternate No. 3A ADD: Provide Exercise Room and Wrestling Room as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$41,700	\$41,058	\$43,000	\$51,000	\$36,109
Alternate No. 5A ADD: Provide Alternate Floor Finish Terrazzo Tile in lieu of VCT as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0	NA	\$0	\$0	NA
Alternate No. 8A ADD: Provide Marker Boards as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$32,600	\$31,815	\$36,200	\$27,500	\$140,382
Alternate No. 10A ADD: Provide stainless steel ductwork construction in lieu of galvanized as indicated on drawings with Davis-Bacon	\$0	NA	\$0	\$0	NA
Alternate No. 11 ADD: Add amount to base bid for utilizing Davis-Bacon	\$92,700	\$174,216	\$189,600	\$165,000	\$79,750
Total	\$4,862,700	\$5,475,215	\$5,518,650	\$5,653,200	\$6,174,072

18. Contract: Construction of a New School Construction Package (7A) Roofing – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools

Contract #: JMI-616-11

Term: N/A	Extension: N/A	Contract Ending Date:	N/A
Estimated annual award value:	\$	3,300,000	
Estimated contingency amount:	\$	330,000	
Estimated total award value:	\$	3,630,000	

Board meeting date:	March 8, 2011
Bid issued:	December 2, 2010
Pre-bid meeting date:	December 6, 2010
Due date:	January 13, 2011
No. of vendors issued to:	68
No. of bids received:	3
No. of no-bids received:	1

Description:

This contract package 7A provides for roofing of this facility including, but not limited to, built-up roofing, standing seam metal roofing and flashings, and all ancillary materials required to accomplish the work.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

Interstate Corporation

Rockville, MD

Responsible school or office:

Department of Physical Facilities

Contact person:

Michael G. Sines

Funding source:

Capital budget

Contract: Construction of a New School Construction Package (7A) Roofing – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools

Contract #: JMI-616-11

	Bidders' Names		
	Interstate Corporation	Simpson Of Maryland, Inc.	Heidler Roofing Services, Inc.
Base Bid	\$2,750,000	\$3,570,000	\$3,384,073
Alternate No. 1A ADD: Provide Auditorium as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$150,000	\$175,000	\$209,106
Alternate No. 2A ADD: Provide Music Suite as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$135,000	\$110,000	\$163,710
Alternate No. 3A ADD: Provide Exercise Room and Wrestling Room as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$65,000	\$72,000	\$82,016
Alternate No. 5A ADD: Provide Alternate Floor Finish Terrazzo Tile in lieu of VCT as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0	NA	NA
Alternate No. 8A ADD: Provide Marker Boards as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0	NA	NA
Alternate No. 10A ADD: Provide stainless steel ductwork construction in lieu of galvanized as indicated on drawings with Davis-Bacon	\$0	NA	NA
Alternate No. 11 ADD: Add amount to base bid for utilizing Davis-Bacon	\$200,000	\$97,000	\$293,199
Total	\$3,300,000	\$4,024,000	\$4,132,104

19. Contract: Construction of a New School Construction Package (8A) Glass and Glazing – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools

Contract #: JMI-616-11

Term: N/A	Extension: N/A	Contract Ending Date:	N/A
Estimated annual award value:	\$	5,669,313	
Estimated contingency amount:	\$	566,931	
Estimated total award value:	\$	6,236,244	

Board meeting date:	March 8, 2011
Bid issued:	December 2, 2010
Pre-bid meeting date:	December 6, 2010
Due date:	January 13, 2011
No. of vendors issued to:	68
No. of bids received:	4
No. of no-bids received:	0

Description:

This contract package 8A provides for aluminum entrances, storefront, curtain walls and windows, insulated translucent panels, and all ancillary materials required to accomplish the work.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

Spear Window & Glass, Inc.

Baltimore, MD

Responsible school or office:

Department of Physical Facilities

Contact person:

Michael G. Sines

Funding source:

Capital budget

Contract: Construction of a New School Construction Package (8A) Glass and Glazing – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools
Contract #: JMI-616-11

	Bidders' Names			
	Spear Window & Glass, Inc.	Ridgeview Glass, Inc.	Chesapeake Glazing	Zephyr Aluminum, LLC
Base Bid	\$5,517,250	\$5,906,173	\$5,772,710	\$5,695,000
Alternate No. 1A ADD: Provide Auditorium as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$3,500	\$0	NA	\$1,250
Alternate No. 2A ADD: Provide Music Suite as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$74,040	\$50,076		\$59,000
Alternate No. 3A ADD: Provide Exercise Room and Wrestling Room as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$74,523	\$52,578	\$54,420	\$74,500
Alternate No. 5A ADD: Provide Alternate Floor Finish Terrazzo Tile in lieu of VCT as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0	NA		\$0
Alternate No. 8A ADD: Provide Marker Boards as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0	NA		\$0
Alternate No. 10A ADD: Provide stainless steel ductwork construction in lieu of galvanized as indicated on drawings with Davis-Bacon	\$0	NA		\$0
Alternate No. 11 ADD: Add amount to base bid for utilizing Davis-Bacon	\$0	\$0	\$425,535	\$435,000
Total:	\$5,669,313	\$6,008,827	\$6,252,665	\$6,264,750

20. Contract: Construction of a New School Construction Package (9C) Painting – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools

Contract #: JMI-616-11

Term: N/A	Extension: N/A	Contract Ending Date:	N/A
Estimated annual award value:	\$	526,472	
Estimated contingency amount:	\$	52,647	
Estimated total award value:	\$	579,119	

Board meeting date:	March 8, 2011
Bid issued:	December 2, 2010
Pre-bid meeting date:	December 6, 2010
Due date:	January 13, 2011
No. of vendors issued to:	68
No. of bids received:	7
No. of no-bids received:	0

Description:

This contract package 9C provides for interior and exterior painting of walls, exposed metals, metal doors and frames, and steel railings, and all ancillary materials required to accomplish the work.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

Argos Construction Co., Inc.

Baltimore, MD

Responsible school or office:

Department of Physical Facilities

Contact person:

Michael G. Sines

Funding source:

Capital budget

Contract: Construction of a New School Construction Package (9C) Painting – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools

Contract #: JMI-616-11

	Bidders' Names			
	Argos Construction Co., Inc	D&M Painting & Drywall, Inc.	NLP Enterprises, Inc.	Superior Painting & Contracting Co., Inc.
Base Bid	\$430,354	\$626,227	\$565,000	\$610,000
Alternate No. 1A ADD: Provide Auditorium as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$18,366	included	\$38,000	\$34,630
Alternate No. 2A ADD: Provide Music Suite as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$6,417	included	\$15,000	\$11,250
Alternate No. 3A ADD: Provide Exercise Room and Wrestling Room as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$6,558	included	\$12,000	\$16,150
Alternate No. 5A ADD: Provide Alternate Floor Finish Terrazzo Tile in lieu of VCT as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0	N/A	\$0	N/A
Alternate No. 8A ADD: Provide Marker Boards as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0	N/A	\$0	N/A
Alternate No. 10A ADD: Provide stainless steel ductwork construction in lieu of galvanized as indicated on drawings with Davis-Bacon	\$0	N/A	\$0	N/A
Alternate No. 11 ADD: Add amount to base bid for utilizing Davis-Bacon	\$64,777	\$91,643	\$130,000	\$150,000
Total	\$526,472	\$717,870	\$760,000	\$822,030

Contract: Construction of a New School Construction Package (9C) Painting – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools

Contract #: JMI-616-11

	Bidders' Names		
	J A Argetakis Contracting Co., Inc.	Eastwood Painting & Contracting, Inc.	R.H. Fewster Painting Co., Inc.
Base Bid	\$736,000	\$497,190	\$679,900
Alternate No. 1A ADD: Provide Auditorium as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$45,600	\$45,150	\$34,000
Alternate No. 2A ADD: Provide Music Suite as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$10,200	\$19,900	\$10,500
Alternate No. 3A ADD: Provide Exercise Room and Wrestling Room as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$11,750	\$18,885	\$10,500
Alternate No. 5A ADD: Provide Alternate Floor Finish Terrazzo Tile in lieu of VCT as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0		\$0
Alternate No. 8A ADD: Provide Marker Boards as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0		\$0
Alternate No. 10A ADD: Provide stainless steel ductwork construction in lieu of galvanized as indicated on drawings with Davis-Bacon	\$0		\$0
Alternate No. 11 ADD: ADD AMOUNT TO BASE BID for utilizing Davis-Bacon	\$144,000	\$696,950	\$920,000
Total:	\$947,550	\$1,278,075	\$1,654,900

21. Contract: Construction of a New School Construction Package (9D) Wood Flooring – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools

Contract #: JMI-616-11

Term: N/A	Extension: N/A	Contract Ending Date:	N/A
Estimated annual award value:	\$	143,438	
Estimated contingency amount:	\$	14,343	
Estimated total award value:	\$	157,781	

Board meeting date:	March 8, 2011
Bid issued:	December 2, 2010
Pre-bid meeting date:	December 6, 2010
Due date:	January 13, 2011
No. of vendors issued to:	68
No. of bids received:	3
No. of no-bids received:	0

Description:

This contract package 9D provides for athletic wood flooring and stage wood flooring in this facility and all ancillary materials required to accomplish the work.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

Master Care Flooring, Inc.

Baltimore, MD

Responsible school or office:

Department of Physical Facilities

Contact person:

Michael G. Sines

Funding source:

Capital budget

Contract: Construction of a New School Construction Package (9D) Wood Flooring – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools
Contract #: JMI-616-11

	Bidders' Names		
	Master Care Flooring, Inc.	Weyer's Floor Service, Inc.	Miller Flooring Company
Base Bid	\$136,088	\$225,335	\$131,000
Alternate No. 1A ADD: Provide Auditorium as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$1,750	\$0	\$69,450
Alternate No. 2A ADD: Provide Music Suite as indicated with Davis-Bacon	N/A	\$0	\$0
Alternate No. 3A ADD: Provide Exercise Room and Wrestling Room as indicated with Davis-Bacon	N/A	\$0	\$0
Alternate No. 5A ADD: Provide Alternate Floor Finish Terrazzo Tile in lieu of VCT as indicated with Davis-Bacon	N/A	\$0	\$0
Alternate No. 8A ADD: Provide Marker Boards as indicated with Davis-Bacon	N/A	\$0	\$0
Alternate No. 10A ADD: Provide stainless steel ductwork construction in lieu of galvanized as indicated on drawings with Davis-Bacon	N/A	\$0	\$0
Alternate No. 11 ADD: Add amount to base bid for utilizing Davis-Bacon	\$5,600	\$18,577	\$8,100
Total	\$143,438	\$243,912	\$208,550

22. Contract: Construction of a New School Construction Package (9E) Ceramic Tile – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools

Contract #: JMI-616-11

Term: N/A	Extension: N/A	Contract Ending Date:	N/A
Estimated annual award value:	\$	267,000	
Estimated contingency amount:	\$	26,700	
Estimated total award value:	\$	293,700	

Board meeting date:	March 8, 2011
Bid issued:	December 2, 2010
Pre-bid meeting date:	December 6, 2010
Due date:	January 13, 2011
No. of vendors issued to:	68
No. of bids received:	1
No. of no-bids received:	0

Description:

This contract package 9E provides for all porcelain and ceramic tile for this facility and all ancillary materials required to accomplish the work.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

Churchville Tile and Marble

Forest Hill, MD

Responsible school or office:

Department of Physical Facilities

Contact person:

Michael G. Sines

Funding source:

Capital budget

Contract: Construction of a New School Construction Package (9E) Ceramic Tile– Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools

Contract #: JMI-616-11

	Bidders' Names
	Churchville Tile & Marble
Base Bid	\$267,000
Alternate No. 1A ADD: Provide Auditorium as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0
Alternate No. 2A ADD: Provide Music Suite as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0
Alternate No. 3A ADD: Provide Exercise Room and Wrestling Room as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0
Alternate No. 5A ADD: Provide Alternate Floor Finish Terrazzo Tile in lieu of VCT as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0
Alternate No. 8A ADD: Provide Marker Boards as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0
Alternate No. 10A ADD: Provide stainless steel ductwork construction in lieu of galvanized as indicated on drawings with Davis-Bacon	\$0
Alternate No. 11 ADD: Add amount to base bid for utilizing Davis-Bacon	\$0
Total	\$267,000

23. Contract: Construction of a New School Construction Package (10A) Toilet Partitions and Accessories – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools

Contract #: JMI-616-11

Term: N/A	Extension: N/A	Contract Ending Date:	N/A
Estimated annual award value:	\$	102,900	
Estimated contingency amount:	\$	10,290	
Estimated total award value:	\$	113,190	

Board meeting date:	March 8, 2011
Bid issued:	December 2, 2010
Pre-bid meeting date:	December 6, 2010
Due date:	January 13, 2011
No. of vendors issued to:	68
No. of bids received:	2
No. of no-bids received:	0

Description:

This contract package 10A provides for metal toilet partitions and accessories for this facility and all ancillary materials required to accomplish the work.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

Partition Plus, Inc.

Fallston, MD

Responsible school or office:

Department of Physical Facilities

Contact person:

Michael G. Sines

Funding source:

Capital budget

Contract: Construction of a New School Construction Package (10A) Toilet Partitions and Accessories – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools

Contract #: JMI-616-11

	Bidders' Names	
	Partition Plus, Inc.	Steel Products, Inc.
Base Bid	\$102,900	\$123,456
Alternate No. 1A ADD: Provide Auditorium as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0	\$888
Alternate No. 2A ADD: Provide Music Suite as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0	\$999
Alternate No. 3A ADD: Provide Exercise Room and Wrestling Room as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0	\$0
Alternate No. 5A ADD: Provide Alternate Floor Finish Terrazzo Tile in lieu of VCT as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0	\$0
Alternate No. 8A ADD: Provide Marker Boards as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0	\$0
Alternate No. 10A ADD: Provide stainless steel ductwork construction in lieu of galvanized as indicated on drawings with Davis-Bacon	\$0	\$0
Alternate No. 11 ADD: Add amount to base bid for utilizing Davis-Bacon	\$0	\$3,333
Total	\$102,900	\$128,676

24. Contract: Construction of a New School Construction Package (13A) Fire Suppression – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools

Contract #: JMI-616-11

Term: N/A	Extension: N/A	Contract Ending Date:	N/A
Estimated annual award value:	\$	923,200	
Estimated contingency amount:	\$	92,320	
Estimated total award value:	\$	1,015,520	

Board meeting date:	March 8, 2011
Bid issued:	December 2, 2010
Pre-bid meeting date:	December 6, 2010
Due date:	January 13, 2011
No. of vendors issued to:	68
No. of bids received:	5
No. of No-Bids Received:	0

Description:

This contract package 13A provides for the installation of an automatic fire suppression system throughout this facility and for all ancillary materials required to accomplish the work.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

Advanced Fire Protection Systems, Inc. Glen Burnie, MD

Responsible school or office: Department of Physical Facilities

Contact person: Michael G. Sines

Funding source: Capital budget

Contract: Construction of a New School Construction Package (13A) Fire Suppression – Dundalk and Sollers Point High Schools
Contract #: JMI-616-11

	Bidders' Names				
	Advanced Fire Protection Systems, Inc.	National Fire Protection, Inc.	Kennedy Fire Protection, Inc.	Fire-Mak, Inc.	Simplex Grinnell LP
Base Bid	\$784,000	\$925,000	\$774,000	\$827,000	\$1,040,722
Alternate No. 1A ADD: Provide Auditorium as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$31,800	\$30,000	\$34,000	\$35,000	\$71,700
Alternate No. 2A ADD: Provide Music Suite as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$16,800	\$12,750	\$13,000	\$13,300	\$24,400
Alternate No. 3A ADD: Provide Exercise Room and Wrestling Room as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$9,600	\$5,000	\$7,000	\$6,700	\$17,300
Alternate No. 5A ADD: Provide Alternate Floor Finish Terrazzo Tile in lieu of VCT as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
Alternate No. 8A ADD: Provide Marker Boards as indicated with Davis-Bacon	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
Alternate No. 10A ADD: Provide stainless steel ductwork construction in lieu of galvanized as indicated on drawings with Davis-Bacon	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
Alternate No. 11 ADD: Add amount to base bid for utilizing Davis-Bacon	\$81,000	\$0	\$175,000	\$177,000	\$0
Total	\$923,200	\$972,750	\$1,003,000	\$1,059,000	\$1,154,122

25. Contract: Installation of a Chiller – Old Court Middle School
Contract #: MBU-505-11

Term: N/A	Extension: N/A	Contract Ending Date: N/A
Estimated annual award value:	\$ 429,000	
Estimated contingency amount:	\$ 42,900	
Estimated total award value:	\$ 471,900	

Board meeting date:	March 8, 2011
Bid issued:	December 23, 2010
Pre-bid meeting date:	January 10, 2010
Due date:	January 26, 2011
No. of vendors issued to:	17
No. of bids received:	9
No. of no-bids received:	0

Description:

This contract consists of installation of equipment and materials for a central cooling (air conditioning) system for the entire school. Also included is the installation of new direct digital controls for the cooling equipment.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

Towson Mechanical, Inc.

Timonium, MD

Responsible school or office:

Department of Physical Facilities

Contact person:

Michael G. Sines

Funding source:

Capital budget

Contract: Installation of a Chiller – Old Court Middle School
Contract #: MBU-505-11

	Bidders' Names				
	Towson Mechanical, Inc.	Denver-Elek Inc.	M & E Sales, Inc.	Chilmar Corporation	American Combustion Industries, Inc.
Base Bid (include an allowance in their base bid 1 price of \$10,000 for Industrial Hygienist)	\$406,000	\$426,800	\$438,713	\$436,500	\$464,400
Alternate #1 Add: Bidders shall include the cost differential to perform Base Bid work using Davis-Bacon Wage Rage (the difference only)	\$23,000	\$8,700	\$0	\$19,500	\$3,740
Total	\$429,000	\$435,500	\$438,713	\$456,000	\$468,140

	Bidders' Names			
	EMJAY Engineering and Construction Co., Inc.	Trinmar Contracting Services, Inc.	Temp Air Co., Inc.	Combustioneer Corporation
Base Bid (include an allowance in base bid one price of \$10,000 for Industrial Hygienist)	\$438,700	\$480,200	\$439,769	\$519,800
Alternate #1 ADD: Bidders shall include the cost differential to perform Base Bid work using Davis-Bacon Wage Rage (the difference only)	\$37,500	\$4,000	\$54,021	\$10,000
Total	\$476,200	\$484,200	\$493,790	\$529,800

BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DATE: March 8, 2011

TO: **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

FROM: Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent

SUBJECT: **CONSIDERATION OF THE FY 2011 OPERATING BUDGET
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION**

ORIGINATOR: Barbara Burnopp, Chief Financial Officer

**RESOURCE
PERSON(S):** George Sarris, Director, Office of Budget and Reporting

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board approves the attached operating budget supplemental appropriation.

This operating budget supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$6,017,285 is attached for approval by the Board of Education. This supplement includes \$5,541,310 in special revenue federal funds provided through the Race to the Top grant program and \$475,975 in general fund insurance reimbursements for the February 2010 blizzard damages to greenhouses. 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 in the Maryland Reform Plan. The insurance reimbursements will be used to construct replacement greenhouses and replace greenhouse contents needed for horticulture and agriscience programs at Hereford and Lansdowne High Schools.

Attachment I: FY 2011 Operating Budget Supplemental Appropriation

**BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
OPERATING BUDGET SUPPLEMENT**

Number:
Date: 03/08/2011

Fund: Special Revenue
General Fund

INCREASE				SOURCES OF REVENUE			
Category	Present Appropriation	Supplement	New Appropriation	Category	Present Appropriation	Supplement	New Appropriation
Special Revenue Fund							
Special Revenue	94,448,713	5,541,310	99,990,023	Local	48,428	-	48,428
				State	8,521,467	-	8,521,467
				Federal	82,536,803	5,541,310	88,078,113
				Other	3,342,015	-	3,342,015
Special Revenue Subtotal		5,541,310		Subtotal		5,541,310	
General Fund							
04 - Instructional Textbooks and Supplies	24,138,239	20,200	24,158,439	Other - Insurance Recovery	100,000	475,975	575,975
15 - Capital Outlay	3,226,183	455,775	3,681,958				
General Fund Subtotal		475,975		Subtotal		475,975	
Total Supplement		\$ 6,017,285		Total Supplement		\$ 6,017,285	
Explanation: This is a request for a supplemental appropriation of \$6,017,285. Federal Race to the Top grant revenues of \$5,541,310 were received after the FY2011 operating budget was adopted. These funds are allocated in the special revenue fund and are restricted by the requirements of the grant. Insurance proceeds of \$475,975 are allocated in the general fund to replace greenhouses and repurchase plants and other live materials at both Hereford and Lansdowne high schools.				Signatures Required:			
				Budget and Reporting	Date		
				Fiscal Services	Date		
				Superintendent	Date		
				Board of Education	Date		

BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DATE: March 8, 2011

TO: **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

FROM: Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent

SUBJECT: **CONSIDERATION OF SCHOOL LEGISLATION**

ORIGINATOR: Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent

RESOURCE STAFF: Edward J. Novak, Esq., Manager, Governmental and External Relations

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education consider taking positions on Key School Legislation.

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Denotes – New Information

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

March 8, 2011

Background Information

The 428th Session of the Maryland General Assembly began on January 12, 2011, and will meet until its Adjournment SINE DIE on April 11, 2011. Currently, there are a total of 2,271 legislative introductions: 947 Senate Bills, 1,308 House Bills, 10 Joint House Resolutions, and 6 Joint Senate Resolutions.

Discussion

The following bills are presented for the Board of Education’s consideration. **The first section** contains bills that the Board has considered and voted on position. **The second section** contains bills for your information only with no Board position being requested at this time.

SECTION 1: BOE POSITION

BILL	TITLE / SYNOPSIS	POSITION
HB 1	<p>Education - Youth Athletes - Concussions</p> <p>Introduced by Delegate Davis</p> <p>Requiring county boards of education and the Maryland Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association jointly to establish guidelines and develop forms to educate individuals regarding concussions and head injury; requiring specified individuals to sign information sheets; requiring the removal of youth athletes from play under specified circumstances; prohibiting the return to play under specified circumstances; requiring youth sports programs to provide statements of compliance; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: House – 03/02/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/hb/hb0001f.pdf</p>	<p style="text-align: center; color: magenta;">SUPPORT (with MABE Amendments)</p> <p>The bill would require each county school board and the Maryland Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association to jointly establish guidelines for the evaluation and management of concussion and head injury that will help to educate coaches, youth athletes, and their parents and/or guardians regarding:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nature and risk of concussion and head injury; 2. Criteria for removal from and return to play; and 3. Risks of not reporting injury and continuing to play. <p>The guidelines shall: (1) on an annual basis, require that a concussion and head injury information sheet be signed and returned by a youth athlete and his/her parent/guardian before the youth athlete initiates practice or competition; (2) require the removal of a youth athlete from a practice or a game when the youth athlete is suspected of sustaining a concussion or head injury in the practice or the game; and (3) prohibit a youth athlete who has been removed from play from returning to play until the youth athlete:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has been evaluated by a licensed

BILL	TITLE / SYNOPSIS	POSITION
		<p>health care provider or a volunteer health care provider trained in the evaluation and management of concussions; and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has obtained written clearance to return to play from the health care provider. • The MABE amendments provide useful clarification to bill language.

<p>HB 12</p>	<p>Procurement - Employee Uniforms and Equipment - Place of Manufacture</p> <p>Introduced by Delegate Beitzel</p> <p>Prohibiting a public employer, under specified circumstances, from knowingly buying, furnishing, or requiring an employee to buy or acquire for use while on duty specified uniforms and other equipment unless the uniforms or equipment are manufactured in the United States; requiring the Board of Public Works to adopt specified regulations; and applying the Act prospectively.</p> <p>Bill Status: House – 03/01/11 – Favorable with Amendments</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/hb/hb0012f.pdf</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OPPOSE</p> <p>This bill would prohibit public employers from knowingly purchasing, providing, or requiring employees to purchase uniforms or safety equipment/accessories manufactured outside of the United States. A similar bill was introduced during the 2010 Session; the potential fiscal impact of that bill (HB 1465) was estimated to increase costs by a minimum of 15% because of the potential for reduced competition. In addition, this bill would include local school boards/school systems as a “unit” of State Government under the general State Procurement Article for this purpose; historically, school systems were covered by applicable provisions of the Education Article.</p>
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<p>HB 26</p>	<p>Education Funding Formula - Average Daily Attendance</p> <p>Introduced by Delegate O’Donnell</p> <p>Requiring specified enrollment calculations used for education aid to be based on the average daily attendance in specified school years; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: House – 02/09/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/hb/hb0026f.pdf</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OPPOSE</p> <p>This bill has been introduced in prior General Assembly sessions. If passed, it would change the method by which state education aid is distributed. Currently, state funding is calculated using the official full-time equivalent enrollment counts of school systems as of September 30th each year. The bill would reduce that calculation by the average percentage of students absent each day during the second prior fiscal year. In 2010, the fiscal note on HB 1154 (an identical bill) indicated that Baltimore County Public Schools (BCPS) would experience an estimated \$18 million reduction in state aid. MABE has estimated that the FY 2011 statewide reduction to the foundation funding would be approximately \$170 million; the state standard attendance rate is 94%. The projected impact on BCPS could result in reduced funding of approximately \$20 million annually. Although BCPS does not</p>
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		<p>report an attendance rate in our 2009-2010 Report on Results, 76% of all BCPS schools attain this standard, suggesting that the potential impact on BCPS funding would be greater than projected. There would also be additional record keeping costs for compliance.</p>
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<p>HB 44 SB 53</p>	<p>Education - Waiver from Maintenance of Effort Requirement - Process and Factors</p> <p>Introduced by Delegates Jones, Barve, Conway, Hixson, Holmes, McIntosh, O'Donnell, Ross, and Schuh</p> <p>Introduced by Senators Kasemeyer, Currie, DeGrange, Garagiola, Kittleman, Madaleno, McFadden, and Middleton</p> <p>Altering the date by which a county governing body must make a request to the State Board of Education for a waiver from the maintenance of effort requirement; requiring the State Board to consider specified factors when making a decision whether to grant a waiver; requiring the State Superintendent of Schools to make a preliminary assessment of waiver applications by a specified time; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: House – 02/09/11 - Hearing Senate – 02/02/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/hb/hb0044f.pdf</p>	<p>SUPPORT</p> <p>These are cross-filed bills. The bills reflect the agreement reached in Conference Committee near the end of the 2010 General Assembly session. The provisions of the bills are essentially designed to enhance the MOE waiver process, reflecting recommendations previously made by the Joint Legislative Workgroup to Study State, County, and Municipal Fiscal Relationships. The bills do not provide a blanket waiver of maintenance of effort. The current MOE waiver process would be maintained, including the authority of the Maryland State Board of Education (MSBE) to grant individual waiver requests after a hearing before MSBE.</p> <p>The bills would require that the Maryland State Superintendent of Schools “provide a preliminary assessment of a waiver application” to MSBE prior to a public hearing. The filing deadline for a waiver request would be extended to April 20th, which would allow local governments time to evaluate the level of state funding approved by the General Assembly (the date for MSBE action would be changed to May 20th). The bills would incorporate into law the factors for consideration of a waiver request that are currently in the regulations and add three more factors. Both bills were introduced as emergency bills (would be effective upon enactment).</p>
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<p>HB 48</p>	<p>State Government - Open Meetings Act - Notice and Complaints</p> <p>Introduced by Delegates <u>Morhaim</u>, Kipke, Pena-Melnyk, and Tarrant</p> <p>Requiring a complaint filed with the State Open Meetings Law Compliance Board to be filed within 1 year after the action that is the basis for the complaint; altering specified notice requirements; requiring a public body to give notice of a meeting by specified methods under specified circumstances; authorizing a public body to give notice of a meeting by specified additional methods; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: House – 02/24/11 – Second Reading Passed</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/hb/hb0048f.pdf</p>	<p>SUPPORT</p> <p>This bill would change the Open Meetings Act to require that public bodies post notices of their meetings on a Web site, post notices at a location accessible to the public regularly used for posting notices, and by delivering notices to the news media. BCPS currently provides Web site meeting notice and the issuance of meeting notices to the media. The bill would establish a requirement that any complaint filed under the Open Meetings Act must be filed within a one-year period (no specific statute of limitations for this action currently exists). This limitation could increase efficiency in this process by establishing a date certain for complaints and related administrative activities.</p>
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<p>HB 73</p>	<p>Vehicle Laws - School Buses - Prohibition on Permitting Sitting on Floor or Standing</p> <p>Introduced by Delegate Walker</p> <p>Prohibiting a person who is responsible for pupils on a school bus from permitting any pupil to stand while the bus is in motion; prohibiting a person who is responsible for pupils on a school bus from permitting any pupil to sit on the floor of the school bus; establishing a fine; providing for exceptions; providing that a specified violation is not considered a moving violation for specified purposes; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: House - 02/08/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/hb/hb0073f.pdf</p>	<p>OPPOSE</p> <p>This bill has been introduced in several prior legislative sessions. While the intent of the legislation seems logical, it poses practical concerns. Although current law allows one student per a row of seats to stand on a bus, BCPS does not authorize students to sit on the floor of a school bus. However, operating conditions can result in situations where students may be standing. Examples include the beginning of the school year when buses may be overcrowded until any overcapacity route issues are addressed and mechanical problems that require the dispatching of another bus, or buses that may require carrying more students than normally planned.</p>
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<p>HB 127 SB 262</p>	<p>State Board of Education - Financial Literacy Curriculum - Graduation Requirement</p> <p>Introduced by Delegates Walker, Alston, Barnes, <u>Boteler</u>, Braveboy, <u>Bromwell</u>, Cane, <u>Cardin</u>, Davis, Feldman, Frick, Frush, George, Haddaway-Riccio, Holmes, Hough, Howard, Hubbard, Kipke, Love, A. Miller, Niemann, Oaks, <u>Olszewski</u>, Pena-Melnyk, Proctor, Ross, Schuh, Sophocleus, Stocksdale, Stukes, Tarrant, F. Turner, Vaughn, Washington, Wilson, and Zucker</p>	<p>NO POSITION</p> <p>This bill is the same bill that has been introduced in past General Assembly Sessions (including HB 335 and SB 264 in 2010). It would require that a financial literacy course become a high school graduation requirement. MSBE, with consideration of the General Assembly’s “Task Force to Study How to Improve Financial Literacy in the State,” has established financial literacy content standards to be incorporated, as appropriate, through the</p>
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	<p>Introduced by Senators <u>Klausmeier</u>, Benson, Colburn, DeGrange, Forehand, Garagiola, Jones-Rodwell, <u>Kasemeyer</u>, <u>Kelley</u>, Madaleno, Montgomery, Muse, Raskin, Shank, and <u>Stone</u></p> <p>Requiring the State Board of Education to develop curriculum content for a course in financial literacy; requiring each county board of education to implement the financial literacy curriculum content developed by the State Board in every high school in the county; and requiring students to complete a course in financial literacy in order to graduate from high school.</p> <p>Bill Status: House – 02/17/11 - Hearing Senate – 02/16/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/hb/hb0127f.pdf</p>	<p>entire curriculum. Although the Board of Education of Baltimore County (Board) has historically opposed the imposition of unfunded mandates, the Board previously adopted a “No Position” with regard to the 2010 bills because of the significance of financial literacy in preparing students for consumer and business needs in the future.</p>
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<p>HB 160</p>	<p>Baltimore County Public Schools - Funding Accountability and Transparency Act</p> <p>Introduced by Delegates <u>Lafferty</u>, <u>Aumann</u>, <u>Boteler</u>, <u>Cardin</u>, <u>Cluster</u>, <u>DeBoy</u>, <u>Frank</u>, <u>Kach</u>, <u>Morhaim</u>, <u>Stein</u>, and <u>Weir</u></p> <p>Requiring the Baltimore County Board of Education to develop and operate a specified Web site that includes information about specified payments; specifying parameters of the Web site; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: House - 02/09/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/hb/hb0160f.pdf</p>	<p>NO POSITION</p> <p>This bill would require the development and continued operation of a single searchable Web site (no later than January 1, 2013) that would provide specified information via the Internet to the public at no cost. The information that would be required to be provided under that bill would include the listing of any Party (along with their zip code) who receives an aggregate payment of \$25,000 in a fiscal year from the Board. The bill would be effective on July 1, 2011.</p> <p>It should be noted that the Board publishes agendas in advance of meetings. These agendas include the contracts that the Board reviews and takes action on.</p>
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<p>HB 231 SB 123</p>	<p>Education - Public Charter School Facility Revolving Loan Fund</p> <p>Introduced by Delegate Costa</p> <p>Introduced by Senators Astle, Reilly, and Simonaire</p> <p>Establishing the Public Charter School Facility Revolving Loan Fund; stating the purpose of the Fund; authorizing specified applicants to obtain loans from the Fund; requiring the State Board of Education to administer the Fund and to consider specified factors when evaluating loan applications; specifying loan amounts; requiring the State Board to report specified</p>	<p>OPPOSE</p> <p>This bill would establish a Revolving Loan Fund. It is similar to a bill introduced in the 2010 General Assembly. Proposed loans would be available to charter schools (upon application to MSBE) for no more than \$100,000 annually (not to exceed \$500,000 over a five-year period). A loan could be used to pay for the construction, purchase, renovation, and/or maintenance of a public charter school facility.</p> <p>The bill would require that the Governor</p>
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	<p>information to county boards of education each fiscal year; specifying provisions relating to loan repayment; requiring the State Board to adopt regulations; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: House - 02/08/11 - Hearing Senate – 03/02/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/hb/hb0231f.pdf</p>	<p>allocate \$400,000 from the Capital Improvement Program of the Public School Construction Program. This is particularly problematic in a fiscal year when funding for K-12 education is being challenged. Lastly, a provision in the bill states “If a public charter school defaults or is unable to repay a loan” the county or county board may be required to repay the remaining balance or interest on the loan,” thereby exposing the Board to potential liability.</p>
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<p>HB 364</p>	<p>Student Participation in High School Sports - Academic Requirements</p> <p>Introduced by Delegate Walker</p> <p>Requiring the State Board of Education to adopt regulations to establish academic performance standards that students in public high schools in the State must meet in order to participate in high school athletic competitions; requiring the regulations to include specified provisions; and requiring county boards of education to allow public high school students in the county to participate in specified high school athletic competitions only in accordance with the regulations of the State Board.</p> <p>Bill Status: House – 02/24/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/hb/hb0364f.pdf</p>	<p>Recommendation - OPPOSE</p> <p>This bill is an intrusion into a programmatic area that has historically been within the authority of the local boards to administer. BCPS and other school systems establish and administer standards regarding the terms that a student must satisfy to be able to participate in interscholastic athletics while in high school. This system of local determination and control has worked well in BCPS this change is not needed.</p>
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<p>HB 386 SB 667</p>	<p>Education - Tween/Teen Dating Violence (Kristin Marie Mitchell Law)</p> <p>Introduced by Delegates Carter, Anderson, Carr, Dumais, Ivey, Love, McComas, Oaks, Pena-Melnyk, Simmons, Stukes, F. Turner, and Walker Walker</p> <p>Introduce by Senator Muse</p> <p>Requiring the State Board of Education to adopt in the public schools a program to educate students about dating violence on or before a specified date; requiring the program to include education on services provided to victims of dating violence; altering the definition of "victim of domestic violence" for specified provisions of law; requiring the Governor to proclaim the first week in February each year "Tween/Teen Dating Violence</p>	<p>Recommendation - OPPOSE</p> <p>This bill is not needed. The bill’s focus area involves dating violence; school systems already provide information regarding this subject using MSDE’s health education curriculum that begins in Grade 4 and continues through high school. Providing students with age-appropriate information regarding dating violence has also been supported by continuing MSDE funding (Sexual Harassment and Assault Grant) to LEAs. Historically, MSDE’s health education office has not endorsed any particular program, but has allowed LEAs to identify and implement programs based upon school system needs regarding any particular content area involving the health education and other curricula.</p>
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	<p>Education and Awareness Week"; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: House – 03/02/11 – Hearing Senate – 03/09/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/hb/hb0386f.pdf</p>	<p>The bill intends to add the definition of “victim of domestic violence” to include “or a person with whom the individual has or has had a dating relationship,” but does not define what constitutes a “dating relationship.” This could lead to confusion in administering the law if enacted because the interpretation and nature of “dating” varies.</p> <p>Lastly, legislation is not required for the Governor to exercise his existing authority to issue a Proclamation to designate a week in February each year as Tween/Teen Dating Violence Education and Awareness Week.</p>
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<p>HB 398 SB 397</p>	<p>Task Force on the Method of Selecting the Baltimore County Board of Education</p> <p>Introduced by Baltimore County Delegation</p> <p>Introduced by Senator Klausmeier</p> <p>Establishing the Task Force on the Method of Selecting the Baltimore County Board of Education; providing for the chairs and staff for the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving compensation but entitling members to reimbursement for specified expenses; requiring the Task Force to make specified findings and recommendations regarding the method of selecting the Baltimore City Board of Education; providing for the termination of the Act; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: House – 02/24/11 – Hearing Senate – 03/02/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/hb/hb0398f.pdf</p>	<p>Recommendation - SUPPORT</p> <p>These cross-filed bills were not introduced in time to allow for inclusion in the report submitted to the Board for its formal consideration at its February 8, 2011, meeting. However, the bills were discussed during the Board’s deliberations regarding SB 141 and HB 299. During that discussion, the Board indicated that it supported a study of the board selection process. In a statement submitted to the Senate Education Health & Environmental Affairs Committee and in letters to the Chairs of the Baltimore County Senate and House Delegations, the Board President expressed the board’s support regarding a study of the process for the selection of board members. Both Delegations have recently issued a favorable report on the respective bills, but each bill was amended in delegation meetings; the amended bills currently contain language that is not the same.</p>
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<p>HB 500</p>	<p>Public Schools - Extracurricular Activities - Students in Home Instruction Programs</p> <p>Introduced by Delegates Kach and McDonough</p> <p>Authorizing a public school to allow students in home instruction programs to participate in specified extracurricular activities under specified circumstances; requiring public schools to give placement priority to</p>	<p>Recommendation - OPPOSE</p> <p>School system interscholastic athletics and extra-curricular are conducted under regulations of the MSDE. Such activities are a part of and contribute toward the objectives of the state’s entire regular educational program which is quite different from the program involving students in home instruction.</p>
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	<p>enrolled students if there are a limited number of spaces available for students in extracurricular activities; defining "extracurricular activity"; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: House – 03/02/11 – Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/hb/hb0500f.pdf</p>	<p>Extra-curricular activities, particularly, athletics is integral to the daily school life. Such programs build individual, team, and school spirit and purpose, which are interdependent with classroom attendance, and (in fact, further encouraging regular attendance) lunch, and other regular activities. The nature of the home school program does not provide students with the same exposure to such activities and interactions with students regularly enrolled.</p> <p>Inclusion of non-regularly enrolled students in these activities would require additional administrative personnel to monitor academic eligibility (there are different grading processes) and the participation of the non-enrolled participants.</p> <p>It is also important to note that MSDE funding is based on student enrollment in schools as of each September 30th. Because home schooled students are not present in the schools for this count, school systems did not receive regular enrollment derived funds for those students.</p>
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<p>HB 685 SB 549</p>	<p>Education - Bullying Safety Risks and Health Problems - Parental Information</p> <p>Introduced by Delegates Kaiser, Barkley, Burns, Cardin, Cullison, DeBoy, Feldman, Frush, Gaines, Gilchrist, Holmes, Jameson, A. Kelly, Kramer, Lafferty, Luedtke, McIntosh, Mizeur, Morhaim, Reznik, S. Robinson, Simmons, Stein, Summers, V. Turner, Valentino-Smith, and Waldstreicher</p> <p>Introduced by Senators King, Forehand, Garagiola, Montgomery, Peters, Raskin, and Robey</p> <p>Requiring the State Department of Education, in collaboration with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, to provide specified information by a specified date to county boards of education relating to specified safety risks and health problems; requiring specified schools to send specified information to specified parents and guardians; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: House - 2/24/11 – Hearing Senate – 03/09/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/hb/hb0685f.pdf</p>	<p>Recommendation - OPPOSE</p> <p>BCPS has a current process to handle students exhibiting any symptoms of health problems or safety risks as a result of bullying. Such concerns or risks are assessed, addressed with parents, and referred to a primary care provider, if needed. Legislative changes in the past few years in this area have resulted in the creation of a model policy regarding bullying and enhanced reporting involving bullying. This bill would result in additional staff work without producing any meaningful change in the current process.</p>
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<p>HB 977</p>	<p>Public Schools - Enrollment and Transfer - Parental Decision</p> <p>Introduced by Delegates Olszewski, Aumann, Barnes, Bates, Boteler, Branch, Bromwell, Cardin, Clagett, Clippinger, DeBoy, Elliott, Frank, George, Glass, Guzzone, Haddaway-Riccio, Healey, Hershey, Hixson, Howard, Impallaria, Kipke, Luedtke, McMillan, A. Miller, Minnick, Myers, O'Donnell, B. Robinson, Rosenberg, Ross, Schuh, Schulz, Serafini, Smigiel, Stocksdale, Stukes, Summers, Walker, Weir, and Wood</p> <p>Authorizing the parent or guardian of a student eligible for enrollment in specified public schools to decide to enroll the student in a public school other than the public school to which the student was assigned by a county board of education, beginning in the 2012- 2013 school year; requiring all public schools to be open to specified students on a space-available basis under specified circumstances; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: House – 03/02/11 – Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/hb/hb0977f.pdf</p>	<p>Recommendation - OPPOSE</p> <p>This bill is problematic from numerous perspectives.</p> <p>Although the bill requires a parent/guardian to provide transportation to a school selected for attendance under the enrollment system to be created, the proposed process represents a fundamental change in the public school system and the historic nature of the concept of the neighborhood school and its interrelationship to the community. The change could disadvantage children whose families are not financially able to provide alternative transportation to a non-neighborhood school.</p> <p>The bill requires that a listing of schools with available slots be compiled as of May 1st annually. A one-time snapshot of enrollment and available of slots is problematic because there are numerous variables that can affect enrollment projects for the next immediate school year. The bill would require that any child transferred under the newly created process would be allowed to continue to attend the selected school through all grade levels operating at that specific school. This situation would further complicate effective school enrollment planning and projections.</p> <p>This bill could complicate already difficult tracking processes regarding academic performance requirements under “<i>No Child Left Behind Act of 2001</i>”.</p> <p>BCPS, like many school systems, has a special transfer process that allows parents to request that a child attend a school other than their residence-zoned school under certain circumstances.</p>
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<p>HB 1062</p>	<p>Public Schools - Meal Menus - Nutrition Information</p> <p>Introduced by Delegates Niemann, Carter, and Glenn</p> <p>Requiring each public school, beginning in the 2011-2012 school year, to list the number of calories contained in a menu item next to the menu item on a meal menu published by the school.</p>	<p>Recommendation - OPPOSE</p> <p>BCPS currently publishes nutritional data regarding all food products that are used in the school meals program on our Web site. The school menu template would require revision to include calorie information. It is not apparent what specific purpose that the inclusion of this information would provide given the need for BCPS to provide nutritionally balanced school meals.</p>
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	<p>Bill Status: House – 03/02/11 – Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/hb/hb1062f.pdf</p>	
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<p>SB 6</p>	<p>Optional Retirement Program - State and Participating Governmental Unit Employees - Participation</p> <p>Introduced by Senator Colburn</p> <p>Providing that only individuals serving as Governor on or before January 18, 2011, are eligible for a defined benefit retirement allowance; providing that, on or after July 1, 2011, specified individuals are not eligible to join the Employees' Pension System, the Teachers' Pension System, the State Police Retirement System, the Correctional Officers' Retirement System, the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System, or the Judges' Retirement System; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: Senate – 02/10/11- Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/sb/sb0006f.pdf</p>	<p>SUPPORT WITH AMENDMENTS</p> <p>This bill would close the state's Defined Benefit (DB) pension plans to new state employees and teachers hired after June 30, 2011. State employees and teachers hired on or after July 1, 2011, would become members of the Optional Retirement Program (ORP), a Defined Contribution (DC) plan, as a condition of their employment. Current members of the state's DB plans remain in those plans, but they are eligible to transfer to ORP. The bill requires language to clarify all coverage situations.</p>
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<p>SB 41</p>	<p>Education - Age for Compulsory Public School Attendance - Exemptions</p> <p>Introduced by Senators Pugh, Garagiola, Jones-Rodwell, King, McFadden, Raskin, Robey, and <u>Stone</u></p> <p>Altering the age at which children are required to attend a public school regularly during the entire school year, subject to specified exceptions; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: Senate – 02/09/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/sb/sb0041f.pdf</p>	<p>OPPOSE</p> <p>This bill would increase the compulsory school attendance age to require a student attend school until age 17. The requirement is subject to certain exceptions, including that the student:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has earned a diploma or GED • Is a special education student who has received a Certificate of Completion • Is being home schooled • Is severely ill and receiving home or hospital instruction • Is married • Is in a military service • Is committed by a court to an institution without an educational program • Is pregnant or a parent and is enrolled in an alternative educational program • Attends an alternative educational program.
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		<p>The bill creates an unfunded mandate because it modifies the compulsory attendance age requirement without providing any funding or other resources. This bill was introduced during last session (passed in the Senate but not in the House); the accompanying fiscal note estimated that it would cost \$48.8 million statewide to increase the age of compulsory attendance.</p>
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<p>SB 141 HB 299</p>	<p>Baltimore County - Hybrid School Board - Election and Appointment of Members</p> <p>Introduced by Senators <u>Zirkin, Brochin,</u> and <u>Getty</u></p> <p>Introduced by Delegates <u>Morhaim, Aumann, Stein,</u> and <u>Szeliga</u></p> <p>Establishing a procedure for the election of specified members of the Baltimore County Board of Education and specifying that they reside in and be elected from specified districts; establishing a term of office for the elected members; altering provisions relating to the appointed members of the county board; providing for the removal of members under specified circumstances; providing a procedure for the filling of a vacancy for an elected member; providing for the election of the chair and vice chair of the county board; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: Senate – 02/09/11 - Hearing House – 02/24/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/sb/sb0141f.pdf</p>	<p>OPPOSE</p> <p>The significant changes proposed in this bill are not needed. The current Board structure has effectively served BCPS’s stakeholders for many years because of the willingness of dedicated volunteers to serve as Board members. Current Board members are able to focus on the best interests of our 104,000 students based upon a systemwide, comprehensive approach to K-12 public education. Creating a Board structure composed mostly of elected members would unnecessarily politicize an efficient process that must remain focused on ensuring sound education policy for all Baltimore County students, avoiding the potential for narrow geographic focus and special interest groups’ agendas. The bill’s provisions include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creates a combined elected and appointed Board that would consist of the current total of 12 members composed, four appointed from the county at large, seven elected on a nonpartisan basis (one from each Councilmanic district), and one student member appointed from the county at large (Note: the 2010 bill would have created a 15-member board, with seven elected and seven appointed members, one from each Councilmanic district). • Current Board structure would be retained until the first Monday in December 2014, following the general election to be held in November 2014. • Terms of office would be four years, beginning on the first Monday in December 2014 and continue until a successor is elected and qualified; initial terms of office for elected and appointed members are not staggered.
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board members will select a chair and vice chair annually (at first December meeting from among current Board members). • Board members are entitled to an annual compensation as provided in the county's budget as well as allowances for travel and other expenses. • Effective date is October 1, 2011.
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<p>SB 315 HB 932</p>	<p>Building Opportunities for All Students and Teachers (BOAST) in Maryland Tax Credit</p> <p>Introduced by Senators Colburn, DeGrange, Brinkley, Currie, Dyson, Glassman, Jacobs, Mathias, McFadden, Peters, and Reilly</p> <p>Introduced by Delegates Proctor, Afzali, Anderson, <u>Aumann</u>, Bates, Beidle, Bohanan, <u>Boteler</u>, <u>Bromwell</u>, <u>Cluster</u>, Conway, Donoghue, Dwyer, Eckardt, Elliott, <u>Frank</u>, Frush, Gaines, George, Glass, Haddaway-Riccio, Haynes, Hershey, Hogan, Hough, <u>Impallaria</u>, James, Jameson, <u>Kach</u>, Kipke, Krebs, McConkey, McHale, W. Miller, <u>Minnick</u>, Mitchell, O'Donnell, Oaks, Parrott, Pena-Melnyk, Ready, Rosenberg, Schuh, Schulz, Serafini, Sophocleus, Stocksdale, Stukes, <u>Szeliga</u>, Tarrant, V. Turner, Valderrama, Valentino-Smith, Vallario, Vitale, Walker, <u>Weir</u>, and Wood</p> <p>Providing a tax credit against the State income tax for contributions made to an eligible educational scholarship organization or an eligible innovative educational organization; requiring the State Department of Education to administer the tax credit; requiring specified entities to submit an application to be an eligible organization by January 1 of each year; establishing the Building Opportunities for All Students and Teachers Reserve Fund; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: Senate – 03/09/11 – Hearing House – 03/16/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/sb/sb0315f.pdf</p>	<p>Recommendation – OPPOSE</p> <p>This Bill has been introduced in a number of prior General Assembly Sessions. In 2010, the Senate Bill (SB 385) passed the Senate by a vote of 30-17. The cross-filed Bill (HB 932) was heard in the House Ways and Means Committee but was not formally acted on by the Committee subsequent to the hearing. The bill would create a tax credit for contributions to eligible nonprofit organizations to provide scholarships to students and teachers or grants to public schools for innovative programs. The bill would reduce available tax funds to support public education. The Board has opposed similar bills that have been introduced in past Legislative Sessions.</p>
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<p>SB 617 HB 812</p>	<p>Public Schools - Dating Violence - Policy and Disciplinary Standards</p> <p>Introduced by Senator Manno</p> <p>Introduced by Delegates Kramer, Dumais, Hucker, Luedtke, Reznik, Simmons, Valderrama, and Waldstreicher</p> <p>Adding dating violence to provisions of law requiring the reporting of bullying, harassment, and intimidation by a county board of education; specifying who may report incidents of dating violence; requiring specified forms, reports, policies and educational programs to include incidents of dating violence; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: Senate – 03/09/11 – Hearing House 0 03/09/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/sb/sb0617f.pdf</p>	<p>Recommendation – OPPOSE</p> <p>The proposed additional reporting requirement based on “dating relationship” could be added to the existing Harassment or Intimidation (Bullying) Incident School Investigation Form that MSDE and BCPS use to record necessary information based upon prior legislation enacted. This proposed change does not require legislative action, potentially reducing any additional administrative resources required that could result from additional legislation.</p> <p>BCPS recognizes that violence in dating relationships can also be considered a type of bullying, intimidation, or harassment. Dating violence can also be of a serious physical nature, e.g. assault/battery, which would require reporting to and the involvement of county police.</p>
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<p>SB 626</p>	<p>Public School Construction Funding Reform Act of 2011</p> <p>Introduced by Senators Glassman, Colburn, and Forehand</p> <p>Repealing the Interagency Committee on School Construction; altering the authority of the State Superintendent to approve specified public school construction projects; altering the requirement under which specified entities may hold title to specified property; altering the definition of alternative financing methods; requiring public school construction funds allocated in the annual budget to be distributed to local boards using a specified formula; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: Senate – 03/22/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/sb/sb0626f.pdf</p>	<p>Recommendation – OPPOSE</p> <p>The changes proposed under this bill are not needed. The primary effect of this bill would be to eliminate the existence and role of the Interagency Committee on School Construction (IAC) and place responsibility for the State's capital construction project within MSDE. The existing IAC process has worked well and has supported BCPS in its efforts to meet the most critical of its facilities-related needs. BCPS staff has maintained an effective working relationship with the IAC and this has been helpful in ensuring that the IAC staff is familiar with BCPS’ facilities inventory, and its renovation, and construction requirements.</p>
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<p>SB 628</p>	<p>State Health and Retirement Benefits - Public Employees and Retirees</p> <p>Introduced by Senator Miller</p> <p>Altering the eligibility requirements for State employees receiving health benefits under the State Employee and Retiree Health and Welfare Benefits Program; requiring that by July 1, 2020, the State discontinue a specified prescription drug benefit plan available to specified retirees; requiring specified local employers to pay a specified portion of employer contributions for specified members of the Teachers' Retirement System or the Teachers' Pension System; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: Senate – 03/02/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/sb/sb0628f.pdf</p>	<p>Recommendation – OPPOSE</p> <p>This is a very complex bill, consisting of 43 pages. It contains some of the same provisions that were included in a bill that was introduced in the 2010 Session and will similarly and adversely affect local governments and the funding available for public education. This bill would shift the cost of various state pension systems to local governments. Included in the bill is a proposed shift of teacher pension costs that would be based on the aggregate annual salaries of teachers rather than a fixed percentage of the employer contribution rate. This shift would begin on July 1, 2012, starting at 2% of the aggregate annual salaries and increase to 6% in FY 2014 and to 10% for FY 2015 and FY 2016. (note: the rate of the proposed shift relating to teacher pensions is higher than the proposed rate relating to other employee groups, e.g., for community college employees, the rate starts at 1% and increases to 5% in FY 2015). Beginning in FY 2017, changes in the required contribution rate will be determined by the Pension System Board of Trustees.</p>
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<p>SB 676</p>	<p>County Boards of Education - Alien Students</p> <p>Introduced by Senators Brinkley, Colburn, Simonaire, and Stone</p> <p>Requiring each county board of education, on or before March 1 of each year, to make a good faith effort to provide the governing body of the county with the total number of students enrolled in the public school system of the county whose presence in the United States cannot be reasonably documented; and prohibiting a county board from associating a student's race, appearance, language, or name with citizenship or immigration status.</p> <p>Bill Status: Senate – 03/09/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/sb/sb0676f.pdf</p>	<p>Recommendation – OPPOSE</p> <p>Federal law requires that public schools must provide a free and appropriate education to age-appropriate students regardless of whether they are considered to be documented or undocumented with regard to immigration or citizenship status. This bill could result in school systems being placed in a difficult position when interacting with a parent/guardian of a student seeking public school admission, raising potential concern for them regarding their individual citizenship or immigration status.</p>
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<p>SB 679</p>	<p>Vehicle Laws - Overtaking and Passing School Vehicles - School Bus Monitoring Cameras</p> <p>Introduced by Senators Brinkley, Madaleno, Middleton, Rosapepe, and Young</p> <p>Authorizing a county board of education, in consultation with a local law enforcement agency, to place school bus monitoring cameras on county school buses for the purpose of recording motor vehicles committing violations relating to overtaking and passing school vehicles; requiring a school bus operator to give a recording of the violations to a local law enforcement agency; requiring recordings made by a school bus monitoring camera to include specified images and information about the violations; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: Senate – 03/10/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/sb/sb0679f.pdf</p>	<p>Recommendation – NO POSITION</p> <p>This bill would allow the installation of monitoring cameras on school buses to record a motor vehicle committing a violation involving the overtaking of a school bus stopped on a roadway while operating its flashing red lights. The issue of motor vehicles failing to properly stop in such situations continues to be a significant problem. A recent MSDE survey found that there were approximately 6,300 violations in one day (BCPS bus operators appear to have observed the highest number of violations, with about 1,700+ reported).</p> <p>While bus-related safety is a significant priority, the camera systems would be costly (cost estimate being developed) for the number of buses that BCPS uses daily, particularly with the difficult budgetary times that we have faced and will likely see again in the next few fiscal years. One issue that could address this might be the designation of part of the fines generated by any existing camera systems as a way to begin a pilot program or phase-in process within BCPS.</p>
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<p>SB 687 HB 998</p>	<p>Militia - Employment for Military Spouses - Teachers, Health Care Practitioners, and Business Occupations and Professions</p> <p>Introduced by Senator Peters</p> <p>Introduced by Delegates Valentino-Smith, Boteler, Conaway, Dwyer, K. Kelly, McComas, and Minnick</p> <p>Requiring the Adjutant General or the Adjutant General's designee to assist military spouses in finding specified employment; requiring teachers who have achieved tenure or an equivalent level of certification or licensure to be granted tenure in the State under specified circumstances; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: Senate – 03/02/11 – Hearing House – 03/08/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/sb/sb0687f.pdf</p>	<p>Recommendation – OPPOSE</p> <p>This bill would change the current tenure law by adding a new classification of certificated employee to be granted tenure. If enacted, the bill would require that school systems grant tenure to a newly hired certificated employee who moves to Maryland and is hired by a local school system based upon that employee's out-of-state attainment of tenure (or an equivalent level of certification status) upon completion of a one-year probation period. While the bill allows for some exception, this proposed requirement could limit the flexibility that local school systems need in retaining certificated employees based upon the needs of the school system.</p>
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<p>SB 771</p>	<p>Education - Student-Athletes - Concussions</p> <p>Introduced by Senators Conway, Colburn, Currie, Ferguson, Forehand, Frosh, Kelley, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Montgomery, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Young, and Zirkin</p> <p>Requiring the State Department of Education, in collaboration with specified organizations and individuals, to develop policies and implement a program to provide awareness on the nature and risk of concussions; requiring county boards of education to provide a specified information sheet to specified individuals; requiring the removal from play of specified athletes; prohibiting the return to play of specified athletes until specified conditions are met; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: Senate – 03/09/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/sb/sb0771f.pdf</p>	<p>Recommendation – SUPPORT (with Amendments)</p> <p>This bill is similar to HB 1 which the Board previously considered, adopting a position of “Support with Amendments” to allow for consideration of changes proposed by the Maryland Association of School Boards.</p> <p>This bill excludes language that would have allowed a volunteer to provide written clearance for an athlete that suffered a covered injury to return to play. Although the bill requires that a non-interscholastic youth sports program (other than a school system program) provide a statement of compliance with the provision of this bill, the preferred approach would be to include an amendment to remove those programs from inclusion with school athletic programs.</p>
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<p>SB 791 HB 528</p>	<p>Education - Open Space on Public School Property - Planting and Maintaining Gardens</p> <p>Introduced by Senator Raskin</p> <p>Introduced by Delegates Luedtke, Alston, Carr, Clippinger, Frick, Frush, Ivey, Kaiser, A. Kelly, Kipke, A. Miller, Mizeur, Morhaim, Niemann, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, F. Turner, and Zucker</p> <p>Requiring county boards of education to encourage the use of open space on public school property for the purpose of planting and maintaining gardens; requiring specified schools and community groups to submit specified plans to the county superintendent; requiring specified schools and community groups to limit the application of pesticides under specified circumstances; authorizing county boards to incorporate the use of school gardens into specified curriculum guides and to use specified produce in school cafeterias; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: Senate – 03/02/11 – Hearing House – 02/24/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/sb/sb0791f.pdf</p>	<p>Recommendation – OPPOSE</p> <p>Implementation of the requirements of this bill would increase both costs to the school systems and administrative workload. The bill would require BCPS to review plans for and allow the use of board property for the planting of gardens. Potential concerns raised by the bill include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Costs associated with the likelihood that school facilities crews would need to maintain the gardens if the requesting school or community group failed to properly maintain a garden once planted, including irrigation-related needs and any garden-related debris disposal • Lack of definition of what constitutes a “community group”, BCPS would need to monitor prescribed use to ensure proper safeguarding of board property, including potential questions regarding use of pesticides (although the bill language would “limit” such use) • Potential exposure to any injury resulting from such use.
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SECTION 2: BOE INFORMATION ONLY

BILL	TITLE / SYNOPSIS	NO POSITION REQUIRED
<p>HB 79 SB 772</p>	<p>Task Force to Study the Creation of a Maryland Center for School Safety</p> <p>Introduced by Delegate Walker</p> <p>Introduced by Senator Conway</p> <p>Establishing a Task Force to Study the Creation of a Maryland Center for School Safety; providing for the membership, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving compensation, but authorizing reimbursement of specified expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding specified matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before July 1, 2012; and terminating the Act.</p> <p>Bill Status: House – 02/28/11 – Favorable with Amendments Senate – 03/02/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/hb/hb0079f.pdf</p>	<p>The bill would create a 19-member task force that would consider the creation of a school safety center to share information and develop training and materials relating to a wide variety of issues regarding school safety. The task force would report to the Governor and the General Assembly no later than July 1, 2012.</p>
<p>HB 530 SB 609</p>	<p>Public Charter Schools - Occupation and Use of School Sites and Buildings</p> <p>Introduced by Delegates Rosenberg, Ivey, Kaiser, and Luedtke</p> <p>Introduced by Senators Ferguson, Benson, Colburn, Conway, Currie, Kelley, King, McFadden, Montgomery, Pugh, and Young</p> <p>Requiring a county board of education to inform public charter schools in the county if school sites or buildings have been determined by the county board to be no longer needed for school purposes under specified circumstances; requiring a county board to establish a specified procedure; prohibiting a public charter school occupying and using a school site or building from selling, disposing of, or otherwise transferring the school site or building; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: House - 03/02/11 - Hearing Senate – 03/02/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/hb/hb0530f.pdf</p>	<p>This bill would create a first right of use for charter school operators for any board property that is declared to be no longer needed for educational purposes.</p>

<p>HB 628 SB 241</p>	<p>Commission to Study Streamlining and Increasing the Efficiency of the Procurement Process</p> <p>Introduced by Delegate <u>Morhaim</u></p> <p>Introduced by Senators Pugh, Conway, Currie, Garagiola, Glassman, Jones-Rodwell, <u>Kelley</u>, King, Madaleno, McFadden, Pinsky, and Stone</p> <p>Establishing a Commission to Study Streamlining and Increasing the Efficiency of the Procurement Process; providing for the membership, purposes, and staffing of the Commission; requiring the Commission to study specified matters; requiring the Commission to report to specified persons by a specified date; providing for the termination of the Act; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: House - 03/02/11 - Hearing Senate – 02/15/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/hb/hb0628f.pdf</p>	<p>This bill would create a 22-member commission based upon the appointment criteria provided in the bill. There is no specific inclusion of any representative from a local board, or a local school system, or school procurement official on the listed appointments.</p>
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<p>HB 644 SB 492</p>	<p>Education - County School Board Budgets - Transparency</p> <p>Introduced by Delegates Valentino-Smith, Alston, Frush, Gaines, Healey, Hubbard, Ivey, Kaiser, A. Miller, Rosenberg, and Ross</p> <p>Introduced by Senator Peters</p> <p>Requiring each county board of education to develop and operate a single searchable Web site that is accessible to the public and includes annual school budget data; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: House - 03/09/11 - Hearing Senate – 03/09/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/hb/hb0644f.pdf</p>	<p>This bill would have statewide impact. It is similar to HB 160 (as originally introduced) which would apply to Baltimore County only.</p>
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<p>HB 674</p>	<p>Education - Human Trafficking - Awareness, Training, and Distribution of Materials</p> <p>Introduced by Delegates Cullison, Luedtke, Anderson, Arora, <u>Aumann</u>, Barkley, Barnes, Barve, Beidle, Bobo, Braveboy, <u>Bromwell</u>, Carr, Carter, Clippinger, Dumais, Feldman, Frick, Frush, Gilchrist, Gutierrez, Haddaway-Riccio, Hough, Hucker, Ivey, Kaiser, A. Kelly, Kipke, Kramer, Lee, McComas, McDermott, <u>McDonough</u>, McHale, A. Miller, W. Miller, Mitchell, O'Donnell, Pena-Melnyk, Ready, Reznik, S. Robinson, Simmons, Smigiel, Summers, Tarrant, F. Turner, Waldstreicher, Washington, and Zucker</p> <p>Requiring the State Department of Education, in collaboration with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, to provide awareness and training for Directors of Student Services in local education agencies on human trafficking; and requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in consultation with experts in the field of human trafficking prevention, to provide to the State Department of Education specified information and materials on human trafficking.</p> <p>Bill Status: House - 03/02/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/hb/hb0674f.pdf</p>	<p>The subject of “human trafficking” has received increased publicity in recent years.</p>
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<p>SB 284</p>	<p>Education - High School Graduation Records - Collection, Maintenance, Analysis, and Reporting</p> <p>Introduced by Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request - Departmental - Education)</p> <p>Altering the Maryland high school graduation rate formula and ethnic and racial categories in the formula to be consistent with specified federal regulations and guidelines; defining "four-year adjusted cohort"; and repealing an annual reporting requirement.</p> <p>Bill Status: House – 02/16/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/sb/sb0284f.pdf</p>	<p>BCPS already captures the student information discussed in this bill.</p>
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<p>SB 755 HB 646</p>	<p>Task Force to Study High School Dropout Rates of Persons in the Criminal Justice System</p> <p>Introduced by Senator Pugh</p> <p>Introduced by Delegates Braveboy and Pena-Melnyk</p> <p>Establishing the Task Force to Study High School Dropout Rates of Persons in the Criminal Justice System; providing for the membership and staffing of the Task Force; requiring the Governor to designate the chair of the Task Force; providing that a member of the Task Force may not receive compensation as a member of the Task Force but is entitled to specified reimbursement; requiring the Task Force to study high school dropout statistics of specified persons in the criminal justice system; etc.</p> <p>Bill Status: Senate - 03/15/11 – Hearing House – 03/02/11 - Hearing</p> <p>http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/bills/sb/sb0755f.pdf</p>	<p>The bill creates an 8-member task force that will study the high school dropout statistics related to individuals who have been incarcerated, arrested, or otherwise processed through the criminal justice system and report its findings on or before December 31, 2011.</p>
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Central Area Education Advisory Council (CAEAC)
Presentation on "Gang Awareness"
February 17, 2011

The presentation was held at Pleasant Plains Elementary School at 7:00 p.m.

Sergeant James Conaboy, a member of the Gang Enforcement Team in Baltimore County, presented.

There were more than 30 people present including parents, citizen group leaders, school staff and BCPS staff.

Sergeant Conaboy gave a history of gangs as they started in Baltimore County as well as the mindset of the members.

There are a confirmed 350 members in grades 7-12 in the county. This is the group that does the "dirty work" of the gang leaders. Gangs are hierarchal and as one ages up, they move up the ladder.

Many gang problems are NOT turf related but are about disrespect. There is no "be quiet and walk away". It's a mindset of earning back respect with violence.

It is not illegal to be a gang member.

Maryland gang laws are virtually ineffective so the Gang Task Force must do a lot of intelligence gathering in order to present a Federal case. This can take a bit of time but must be done until the state legislation changes the laws.

Many gang connections are made via the Internet.

Major indicators of gang activity include:

- Tattoos
- Graffiti
- Colors and Dress
- Hand signs
- Slang and other Communications

Patsy Holmes indicated that BCPS works on prevention before an intervention. She handed out "Parents Handbook on Gangs" to all present. There are numbers for Youth Services as well as information on the BCPS.org website.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

**Southeast Area Education Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes January 10, 2011**

Meeting called to order: 7:03PM

Advisory Council Members: Bill Bafitis, Robert Berkshire, Jackie Brewster, Steve Crum, Jeanie Jung, Bonnie Saul, Sandra Skordalos, Bud Staigerwald & Katie Staigerwald

Attendees: Matt Corner (AP CHS), Devin Crum, & Sue Hahn (Parent Support Services)

Presenters: Ron Conner (Teacher CHS), Leonard Foust (Teacher CHS), Reese Glidden (Student CHS), Maya Holt (Student CHS), Maria Lowry (Principal CHS), Dan Scroggs (Tech. Office), & Case Seibert (Lab Manager)

Virtual Learning Lab at Chesapeake HS

Mr. Scroggs began the presentation in the Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) lab. The VLE was designed to be very similar to a lab at a high tech. company. Computers stations are grouped together. Each station has a CPU, three flat panel monitors, keyboard, and yoke joystick. There are arranged in various size groups – three or four student stations. There are also additional monitors mounted from the ceiling in groups of five and a 92” Promethean board (first in Maryland) in the front of the lab. There is a control station up front. All wiring is under the flooring. The room is air conditioned and humidity controlled. There are cameras for video conferencing.

The lab is open to all students. All Environmental Science and Geometry students use this facility. There is a Mount St. Helens simulation program that students use for those classes. Environmental students work on why are the fish dying off while everything else is recovering? Math students work on the best way to evacuate the mountain and where to place shelters. In the future they will be adding an English and Social Studies component. Future simulations will be the Lunar Project and the Chesapeake Bay.

We then moved to the Arena. The Arena includes several large monitors to create a panoramic view on both the front and back of the room. There are several rows of chairs with tablets facing each panoramic view. There is a large workstation in the front of the room that is used to control both sets of monitors. Reese Glidden was at the control center running the simulation. He had control of the vehicle which could change from land to air or water. Reese is a senior at Chesapeake who has been working on developing software for future use in this lab. He has been accepted to Cornell University. Reese is very knowledgeable about the lab and software.

The Arena is used for group work, teaching and video conferencing. It is very impressive looking. Many business partners are involved at Chesapeake HS including the Applied Physics Lab at Johns Hopkins, Lockheed Martin, Northrop Grumman and the gaming industry. Business partners are involved in many ways like lunch with an engineer and video conferencing.

Many questions were asked by the advisory council members including curriculum connections, availability for use by other schools (Sparrows Point HS SPECIES students), opening the lab on weekends to accommodate additional users, the possibility of creating similar type labs in other high schools, etc.

Presentation Period Ended

Advisory Council Meeting began at 8:02PM.

We began our meeting by discussing the presentation at the Board of Education meeting, and both the past and upcoming Joint Advisory Council meeting. Other topics included student mobility in our area and scheduling.

Southeast Educational Advisory Council members were concerned that Board of Education members do not appear to be concerned over the loss of our area superintendant at our meetings. We understand the change in structure of BCPS, but feel the need to have BCPS personnel at our meetings to address our concerns or questions.

EASI system is scheduled to roll out in January. This is the new student data tracking system.

We are also concerned about the student mobility rate at our area schools. Discussion included how does a student move from one school to the next when each of our local high schools have different schedules: Chesapeake HS has a 4 Period AB schedule, Dundalk HS has a 6 period schedule, Sparrows Point HS has a 4 Period AB schedule, Patapsco has a hybrid schedule - including 4 periods (some AB, some everyday- some one semester and some full year) and Sollers Point is a half day program in conjunction with another local high school. It was decided to send a letter to Dr. Hairston to request a BCPS representative be present to discuss this at our next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned

Next meeting: February 7 at Eastwood ES Library Information Services