

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE  
BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HOWARD COUNTY  
CLOSED MEETING

September 21, 2006

The Board of Education of Howard County met in closed session on September 21, 2006, at 2:45 p.m., in the Board Room of the Department of Education, 10910 Route 108, Ellicott City, MD. A motion was made in public in the Board Room by Patricia S. Gordon that the Board go into closed session pursuant to 10-508(a) of the State Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland to discuss a personnel matter and land acquisition. The motion was seconded by Diane B. Mikulis and approved (4/0). Persons present: Board members Joshua M. Kaufman, Chairman; Patricia S. Gordon; Mary Kay Sigaty; and Courtney Watson (arrived 3:00 p.m.); and Superintendent Sydney L. Cousin.

**ITEMS CONSIDERED, ACTION TAKEN, AND RECORDED VOTES:**

1. Position reclassification for specific employees

Mrs. Mikulis recommended the reclassification of a classified position to reflect equal treatment of similar positions. The Board approved the reclassification (4/0).

2. Acquisition of land for a school site

Mrs. Watson was present for this discussion.

Also present: Mr. Ray Brown, Chief Operating Officer; Mr. Ken Roey, Executive Director of Facilities Planning and Management; and Joel Gallihue, Manager of School Planning.

Staff requested that the Board grant permission to continue negotiations with the landowner for the acquisition of property for a school site.

On motion made by Mr. Kaufman and seconded by Mrs. Mikulis, the Board approved staff's request to commence negotiations with the landowner (5/0).

Adjourned: 3:30 p.m.

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sydney L. Cousin, Superintendent and  
Secretary/Treasurer