

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

October 3, 2006

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

ITEMS CONSIDERED, ACTION TAKEN, AND RECORDED VOTES:

1. Legal and contract issues relating to the operation of wastewater management system at Glenelg High School.

Also present: Mrs. Sandra Erickson, Deputy Superintendent; Mr. Ray Brown, Chief Operating Officer; Mr. Ken Roey, Executive Director, Facilities Planning and Management; Mr. Bill Brown, Director of School Planning and Construction; Mr. Bruce Gist, Manager, School Construction Program; Mr. Jerry Wheeler, Maryland Environmental Services; Anthony Gorski, Esquire.

Staff and consultants explained the history of the project and the role the operator would assume in the operation of the wastewater treatment plant.

Legal counsel explained “controlling authority.” By consensus, the Board asked its legal counsel to obtain and provide additional information regarding a contract for the operation of the plant.

Legal counsel also discussed and reviewed the Board’s shared-use contract with the land developer.

2. Negotiation parameters for HCEA and HCEA/ESP.

Also present: Mrs. Sue Mascaro, Director of Staff Relations.

Mrs. Mascaro shared salary information for all employee groups. There was brief discussion, and Mrs. Mascaro responded to Board’s questions.

Parameter proposals for HCEA and HCEA/ESP were provided to the Board. Proposals for AFSCME and HCAA will be provided to the Board before the next meeting on October 26, 2006.

Adjourned: 3:55 p.m.

Submitted by: _____
Sydney L. Cousin, Superintendent
Secretary/Treasurer

Approved – June 8, 2006