

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

March 22, 2007

The Board of Education of Howard County met in closed session on March 22, 2007, at 3:00 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 Ellen Giles 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 issue and school site acquisition. The motion was seconded by Frank Aquino and approved (7/0). Persons present: Board members Diane B. Mikulis, Chairman; Frank J. Aquino, Vice Chairman; Lawrence H. Cohen; Sandra H. French; Ellen Flynn Giles; Janet N. Siddiqui; Patricia S. Gordon; and Superintendent Sydney L. Cousin.

ITEMS CONSIDERED, ACTION TAKEN, AND RECORDED VOTES:

1. Teacher – Submittal of resignation

Also present: Mrs. Sandra Erickson; Mrs. Mamie Perkins; Mark Blom, General Counsel.

The Board considered a teacher's request to resign from the Howard County public schools. The Superintendent recommended that the resignation not be accepted and that the teacher be terminated.

Action: Mrs. French moved to deny the request to resign, based on the letter from the teacher's attorney. The motion was seconded by Mr. Aquino and approved by the members of the Board (7/0).

2. Turf Valley and Marriottsville Road/Route 40 school sites

Also present: Joel Gallihue, Ray Brown, Ken Roey, Sandra Erickson, Mamie Perkins, Mark Blom.

The Board considered a preliminary agreement for reserving a school site in Turf Valley and a sewer easement to provide service to the school site at Marriottsville Road/Route 40 (south of Route 40).

After discussing the conditions of the preliminary agreement, the Board directed staff to prepare a draft response to the landowner's attorney to obtain additional information.

The Board will reconsider this matter on April 12, 2007.

Adjourned: 4:00 p.m.

Submitted by: 
Sydney L. Cousin, Superintendent