

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

May 9, 2007

The Board of Education of Howard County met in closed session on May 9, 2007, at 4:00 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 matters related to negotiations. The motion was seconded by Janet Siddiqui 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. Agency Fee Negotiations – Howard County Education Association and HCEA/Educational Support Personnel

Also present: Sandra Erickson, Deputy Superintendent; Mamie Perkins, Chief of Staff; Raymond Brown, Chief Operating Officer; Mark Blom, Legal Counsel; Susan Mascaro, Director, Staff Relations; and Florence Jackson, Recording Secretary.

The Board took under advisement and commented on the Negotiation Parameters for Representation (Agency) Fee HCEA Teachers & HCEA ESP proposed by staff. Board members asked questions and proposed suggested topics and language. The Board directed staff to prepare additional information. The Board gave conceptual approval to some of the proposed negotiation parameters.

Adjourned: 5:15 p.m.

Submitted by: _____
Sydney L. Cousin, Superintendent

Approved – June 14, 2007