

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

January 3, 2008

The Board of Education of Howard County met in closed session on January 3, 2008, at 7:00 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 obtain legal advice. The motion was seconded by Janet Siddiqui and approved 7-0. Persons present: Board members Frank J. Aquino, Chairman; Vice Chairman, Ellen F. Giles; Lawrence Cohen; Sandra H. French; Patricia Gordon; Diane Mikulis; Janet N. Siddiqui; and Superintendent, Sydney L. Cousin.

ITEMS CONSIDERED, ACTION TAKEN, AND RECORDED VOTES:

1. To obtain legal advice concerning school system's procurement process and related personnel matters.

Also present: Sandra Erickson, Deputy Superintendent; Mamie Perkins, Chief of Staff; Raymond Brown, Chief Operating Officer; Mark Blom, Legal Counsel; Florence Jackson, Recording Secretary; Judy, S. Bresler, Esquire, Reese and Carney (via telephone).

1. Legal advice – policy and procedural matters.

Mr. Blom and Ms. Bresler reviewed matters relating to procurement laws and policies.

The Board authorized the preparation of a management letter.

Adjourned: 7:40 p.m.

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sydney L. Cousin, Superintendent

Approved – February 21, 2008