

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

March 5, 2008

The Board of Education of Howard County met in closed session on March 5, 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 Flynn 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 advice from legal counsel. The motion was seconded by Sandra H. French and approved 6/0. Persons present: Board members Frank J. Aquino, Chairman; Ellen Flynn Giles, Vice Chairman; Lawrence H. Cohen; Sandra H. French; Diane B. Mikulis; Janet Siddiqui, M.D.; and Superintendent Sydney L. Cousin.

ITEMS CONSIDERED, ACTION TAKEN, AND RECORDED VOTES:

Also attending: Judith S. Bresler, Esquire, Reese and Carney; Mark Blom, General Counsel, HCPSS.

1. Records retention

General Counsel reviewed laws and regulations applicable to the Board of Education and Howard County Public School System operations, fielded questions, and provided advice to guide the Board.

General Counsel left the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

2. Superintendent's proposed contract

The Board members reviewed the terms of the proposed contract with its legal counsel. The Board agreed on general parameters to guide negotiations.

Adjourned: 9:25 p.m.

Submitted by:



Frank J. Aquino, Chairman