

Baltimore County Board of Education
MINUTES OF CLOSED SESSION
AND
EDUCATION TRANSPARENCY ACT DESCRIPTION
Tuesday, September 11, 2018

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

The Board of Education of Baltimore County held a regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, September 11, 2018, at 5:05 p.m., Building E, 6901 Charles Street, Towson, Maryland. Chair Edward J. Gilliss, Esquire, and the following Board members were present: Vice Chair Nicholas Stewart, Esquire, Ms. Kathleen S. Causey, Ms. June Eaton, Mr. Roger B. Hayden, Ms. Julie Henn, Ms. Ann Miller, Stephen L. Verch, Esquire, Mr. Emory Young, Miss Haleemat Adekoya, and Interim Superintendent, Ms. Verletta White.

CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

Pursuant to the Annotated Code of Maryland, General Provisions Article, §3-305 (b)(1) and (b)(7), upon motion of Mr. Verch, seconded by Mr. Stewart, and approved unanimously, the Board commenced its closed session at 5:06 p.m. Chair Edward J. Gilliss, Esquire, and the following Board members were present: Vice Chair Nicholas Stewart, Esquire; Ms. Kathleen S. Causey, Ms. June Eaton, Mr. Roger B. Hayden, Ms. Julie C. Henn, Ms. Ann Miller, Stephen L. Verch, Esquire, Mr. Emory Young, and Student Member, Miss Haleemat Adekoya. In addition, Interim Superintendent, Ms. Verletta White and the following staff members were present: Mr. D. Mychael Dickerson, Chief of Staff; Mr. Kevin D. Smith, Chief Administrative and Operations Officer; Dr. Mary McComas, Interim Chief Academic Officer; Dr. John Mayo, Chief Human Resources Officer; Margaret–Ann F. Howie, Esquire, General Counsel; Andrew Nussbaum, Esquire, Counsel to the Board of Education; and Ms. Brenda Stiffler, Senior Executive Assistant.

Dr. Mayo presented personnel matters to be considered at tonight's meeting including terminations, retirements, resignations, leaves of absence, and administrative appointments.

Mr. Nussbaum provided legal advice concerning the dispositions of the hearing officers' opinions in case H.E. 18-54, H.E. 18-58, H.E. 18-62, and H.E. 19-03, where no oral argument was requested.

Mr. Gilliss presented the Board's closed session minutes of Tuesday, August 21, 2018 for review and consideration.

ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTION SESSION MINUTES

On motion of Mr. Stewart, seconded by Ms. Eaton, and approved unanimously, the Board commenced its administration function session at 5:18 p.m.

The Board discussed the records retention directive issued August 21, 2018.

Mr. Stewart exited the room at 6:23 p.m.

On motion of Mr. Verch, seconded by Ms. Eaton, the Board adjourned its administrative function session at 6:24 p.m. (favor – 9) Mr. Stewart did not vote.

EDUCATION TRANSPARENCY ACT DESCRIPTION

In accordance with the Education Transparency Act, Md. Ed. Code Ann., §3-2B-09(b)(3)(effective July 1, 2018), the following represents a full and accurate description of the final actions of the Board of Education taken at this public meeting of September 11, 2018. If there is a discrepancy between the video and this description, the video, which constitute the official minutes of the meeting, shall control. The official minutes can be found at <http://www.bcps.org/board/BOE-agenda-minutes-archive.html>.

CONSIDERATION OF THE AGENDA

Board members voted unanimously to adopt the agenda as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

Personnel Matters

On motion of Mr. Stewart, seconded by Ms. Eaton, the Board unanimously approved the personnel matters listed in exhibit I. (favor – 10)

On motion of Mr. Stewart, seconded by Ms. Eaton, the Board unanimously approved the administrative appointments as listed in exhibit J. (favor – 10)

Action Taken in Closed Session

Mr. Stewart moved to approve the action taken in closed session. The motion was seconded by Ms. Eaton.

The Board approved the action taken in closed session on H.E. 18-54.

Board Member	Favor	Opposed	Did Not Vote/ Abstention
H. Adekoya	X		
K. Causey	X		
J. Eaton	X		
E. Gilliss	X		
R. Hayden	X		
J. Henn	X		
C. McDaniels			Absent
A. Miller	X		
N. Stewart	X		
D. Uhlfelder			Absent
S. Verch			X
E. Young	X		
Total	9	0	1

The Board approved the action taken in closed session on H.E. 18-58.

Board Member	Favor	Opposed	Did Not Vote/ Abstention
H. Adekoya	X		
K. Causey			X
J. Eaton	X		
E. Gilliss	X		
R. Hayden	X		
J. Henn	X		
C. McDaniels			Absent
A. Miller	X		
N. Stewart	X		
D. Uhlfelder			Absent
S. Verch			X
E. Young	X		
Total	8	0	2

The Board approved the action taken in closed session on H.E. 18-62.

Board Member	Favor	Opposed	Did Not Vote/ Abstention
H. Adekoya	X		
K. Causey	X		
J. Eaton	X		
E. Gilliss	X		
R. Hayden	X		
J. Henn	X		
C. McDaniels			Absent
A. Miller	X		
N. Stewart	X		
D. Uhlfelder			Absent
S. Verch			X
E. Young	X		
Total	9	0	1

The Board approved the action taken in closed session on H.E. 19-03.

Board Member	Favor	Opposed	Did Not Vote/ Abstention
H. Adekoya	X		
K. Causey	X		
J. Eaton	X		
E. Gilliss	X		
R. Hayden	X		
J. Henn	X		
C. McDaniels			Absent
A. Miller	X		
N. Stewart	X		
D. Uhlfelder			Absent
S. Verch			X
E. Young	X		
Total	9	0	1

Contract Awards

Mr. Stewart presented items L-1 through L-13 to the full Board for approval. Ms. Miller asked that items L-1 through L-6 be separated for further discussion.

The Board voted unanimously to approve contracts L-7 through L-13. (favor – 10)

	Contract Number	Contract Name
7.	JMI-623-18	Insulated Bags, Coolers, and Ice Packs
8.	MWE-816-15	Modification: HVAC Supplies
9.	JMI-601-15	Modification: Storage Tanks and Related Systems – Install, Remove, Repair, Inspect, Parts, and Associated Services
10.	KSH-354-18	Lumber and Plywood
11.	MBU-502-19	Modular Decking, Porches, Skirting, and Ramp Materials
12.	ARA-200-19	On-Call Fencing Services
13.	KSH-326-17	Construction of the New Northeast Elementary School, Package 2A-Sitework

The Board approved contract L-1.

1. LKO-405-19 Public Notice – Digital Media Instructional Resources

Board Member	Favor	Opposed	Did Not Vote/ Abstention
H. Adekoya	X		
K. Causey		X	
J. Eaton	X		
E. Gilliss	X		
R. Hayden	X		
J. Henn	X		
C. McDaniels			Absent
A. Miller	X		
N. Stewart	X		
D. Uhlfelder			Absent
S. Verch	X		
E. Young	X		
Total	9	1	0

The Board unanimously approved contract L-2. (favor – 10)

2. JBO-730-18 Augmentative and Alternative Communication Devices

Board Member	Favor	Opposed	Did Not Vote/ Abstention
H. Adekoya	X		
K. Causey	X		
J. Eaton	X		
E. Gilliss	X		
R. Hayden	X		
J. Henn	X		
C. McDaniels			Absent
A. Miller	X		
N. Stewart	X		
D. Uhlfelder			Absent
S. Verch	X		
E. Young	X		
Total	10	0	0

3. ARA-223-17 Modification: Public Notice – Conscious Discipline

Ms. Causey moved to amend the spending authority from 3 years to 1 year on contract L-3. The motion was seconded by Ms. Miller. The motion failed.

Board Member	Favor	Opposed	Did Not Vote/ Abstention
H. Adekoya		X	
K. Causey	X		
J. Eaton		X	
E. Gilliss		X	
R. Hayden	X		
J. Henn	X		
C. McDaniels			Absent
A. Miller	X		
N. Stewart		X	
D. Uhlfelder			Absent
S. Verch		X	
E. Young		X	
Total	4	6	0

Mr. Verch moved to postpone the vote on contract L-3 until the full Board received the information presented at the Curriculum Committee meeting. Ms. Eaton seconded the motion. The motion failed.

Board Member	Favor	Opposed	Did Not Vote/ Abstention
H. Adekoya	X		
K. Causey		X	
J. Eaton	X		
E. Gilliss	X		
R. Hayden		X	
J. Henn		X	
C. McDaniels			Absent
A. Miller		X	
N. Stewart	X		
D. Uhlfelder			Absent
S. Verch	X		
E. Young		X	
Total	5	5	0

The Board did not approve contract L-3 as presented.

Board Member	Favor	Opposed	Did Not Vote/ Abstention
H. Adekoya	X		
K. Causey		X	
J. Eaton	X		
E. Gilliss	X		
R. Hayden		X	
J. Henn		X	
C. McDaniels			Absent
A. Miller		X	
N. Stewart	X		
D. Uhlfelder			Absent
S. Verch	X		
E. Young	X		
Total	6	4	0

Ms. Causey moved again to amend the spending authority from 3 years to 1 year on contract L-3. The motion was seconded by Ms. Miller. The motion failed.

Board Member	Favor	Opposed	Did Not Vote/ Abstention
H. Adekoya		X	
K. Causey	X		
J. Eaton		X	
E. Gilliss		X	
R. Hayden	X		
J. Henn	X		
C. McDaniels			Absent
A. Miller	X		
N. Stewart		X	
D. Uhlfelder			Absent
S. Verch		X	
E. Young		X	
Total	4	6	0

4. KSH-319-17 Modification and Extension: Restorative Practices Professional Development

Mr. Stewart moved to approve contract L-4. Ms. Causey moved to amend the motion to change the spending authority from 3 years to 1 year. Ms. Miller seconded the motion. The motion failed.

Board Member	Favor	Opposed	Did Not Vote/ Abstention
H. Adekoya		X	
K. Causey	X		
J. Eaton		X	
E. Gilliss		X	
R. Hayden	X		
J. Henn	X		
C. McDaniels			Absent
A. Miller	X		
N. Stewart		X	
D. Uhlfelder			Absent
S. Verch		X	
E. Young		X	
Total	4	6	0

The Board did not approve contract L-4 as presented.

Board Member	Favor	Opposed	Did Not Vote/ Abstention
H. Adekoya	X		
K. Causey			X
J. Eaton	X		
E. Gilliss	X		
R. Hayden		X	
J. Henn		X	
C. McDaniels			Absent
A. Miller		X	
N. Stewart	X		
D. Uhlfelder			Absent
S. Verch	X		
E. Young	X		
Total	6	3	1

The Board unanimously approved contract L-5.

5. ARA-223-18 RFP – Student Growth and Achievement Assessment

Board Member	Favor	Opposed	Did Not Vote/ Abstention
H. Adekoya	X		
K. Causey	X		
J. Eaton	X		
E. Gilliss	X		
R. Hayden	X		
J. Henn	X		
C. McDaniels			Absent
A. Miller	X		
N. Stewart	X		
D. Uhlfelder			Absent
S. Verch	X		
E. Young	X		
Total	10	0	0

The Board unanimously approved contract L-6.

6. JN1-774-14 Modification: Transportation of Selected Students

Board Member	Favor	Opposed	Did Not Vote/ Abstention
H. Adekoya	X		
K. Causey	X		
J. Eaton	X		
E. Gilliss	X		
R. Hayden	X		
J. Henn	X		
C. McDaniels			Absent
A. Miller	X		
N. Stewart	X		
D. Uhlfelder			Absent
S. Verch	X		
E. Young	X		
Total	10	0	0

Ms. Miller moved to receive a detailed report from the Department of Transportation with a breakdown of the individuals served by this contract, specifically: the number of students who are homeless, the number of employees transported, and the number of students for whom transportation by regular bus is impractical. Ms. Causey seconded the motion.

Mr. Stewart exited the room at 8:31 p.m.

The motion failed.

Board Member	Favor	Opposed	Did Not Vote/ Abstention
H. Adekoya	X		
K. Causey	X		
J. Eaton		X	
E. Gilliss		X	
R. Hayden	X		
J. Henn	X		
C. McDaniels			Absent
A. Miller	X		
N. Stewart			Absent
D. Uhlfelder			Absent
S. Verch		X	
E. Young		X	
Total	5	4	0

Mr. Stewart re-entered the room at 8:33 p.m.

Ms. Causey exited the room at 8:35 p.m.

Privately-Funded Capital Project

On motion of Mr. Stewart, seconded by Ms. Eaton, the Board approved the Privately-Funded Capital Project Request for Interior Digital Signage at Owings Mills High School. (favor – 9)

Board Member	Favor	Opposed	Did Not Vote/ Abstention
H. Adekoya	X		
K. Causey			Absent
J. Eaton	X		
E. Gilliss	X		
R. Hayden	X		
J. Henn	X		
C. McDaniels			Absent
A. Miller	X		
N. Stewart	X		
D. Uhlfelder			Absent
S. Verch	X		
E. Young	X		
Total	9	0	0

Ms. Causey re-entered the room at 8:34 p.m.

Board of Education Policies

Mr. Stewart moved to adopt the recommendation of the Policy Review Committee and approve Policies 3111, 3113, 3121, and 5200 as presented in items N-1 through N-4. Ms. Miller requested that the policies be separated for further discussion.

Policy 3111, Budget Planning and Preparation

Ms. Miller moved to amend the motion to add a requirement in the policy to develop and follow a 10-year facilities plan followed by Anne Arundel County Public Schools. Ms. Causey seconded the motion. The motion failed.

Board Member	Favor	Opposed	Did Not Vote/ Abstention
H. Adekoya		X	
K. Causey	X		
J. Eaton		X	
E. Gilliss		X	
R. Hayden	X		
J. Henn	X		
C. McDaniels			Absent
A. Miller	X		
N. Stewart		X	
D. Uhlfelder			Absent
S. Verch		X	
E. Young		X	
Total	4	6	

Ms. Causey moved to create a Board Budget Committee that is staffed by the interim superintendent to support the Board throughout the year. Ms. Miller seconded the motion. The motion failed.

Board Member	Favor	Opposed	Did Not Vote/ Abstention
H. Adekoya		X	
K. Causey	X		
J. Eaton		X	
E. Gilliss		X	
R. Hayden	X		
J. Henn	X		
C. McDaniels			Absent
A. Miller	X		
N. Stewart		X	
D. Uhlfelder			Absent
S. Verch		X	
E. Young		X	
Total	4	6	

The Board did not approve Policy 3111 as recommended by the Policy Review Committee.

Board Member	Favor	Opposed	Did Not Vote/ Abstention
H. Adekoya	X		
K. Causey		X	
J. Eaton	X		
E. Gilliss	X		
R. Hayden		X	
J. Henn		X	
C. McDaniels			Absent
A. Miller			X
N. Stewart	X		
D. Uhlfelder			Absent
S. Verch	X		
E. Young	X		
Total	6	3	1

Policy 3113, Transfers and Supplements

The Board unanimously approved Policy 3113 as recommended by the Policy Review Committee. (favor – 10)

Policy 3121, Funds Management and Classification of Expenditures

The Board unanimously approved Policy 3121 as recommended by the Policy Review Committee. (favor – 10)

Policy 5200, Promotion and Retention

The Board unanimously approved Policy 5200 as recommended by the Policy Review Committee. (favor – 10)

Consideration of the Proposed FY 2020 State Capital Budget

Mr. Stewart moved to approve the proposed FY 2020 State Capital Budget while adding to the capital budget request as noted below:

The order in which Dulaney High School, Towson High School and Lansdowne High School are listed above reflects the order, in time, in which these projects were approved; it does not reflect the order of priority assigned to each of these projects by the Board. The Board expects the prioritization of these and other projects to be determined hereafter with the benefit of independent, quantitative, and qualitative reports and analyses.

Ms. Miller seconded the motion. The Board approved the proposed FY 2020 State Capital Budget including the footnote as recommended by Mr. Stewart.

Board Member	Favor	Opposed	Did Not Vote/ Abstention
H. Adekoya			n/a
K. Causey	X		
J. Eaton	X		
E. Gilliss	X		
R. Hayden		X	
J. Henn	X		
C. McDaniels			Absent
A. Miller	X		
N. Stewart	X		
D. Uhlfelder			Absent
S. Verch	X		
E. Young	X		
Total	8	1	0

Ms. Adekoya exited the room at 9:19 p.m. and re-entered the room at 9:22 p.m.

Mr. Stewart moved that:

- 1) The Board instruct the superintendent to consider and report on the creation of a 10-year prioritized Capital Improvement Plan, akin to plans from sister jurisdictions such as Anne Arundel County;
- 2) The superintendent seek to engage Baltimore County Government in connection with this effort and the production of its report;
- 3) The capital improvement plan (CIP) cover all of the capital construction for Baltimore County Public Schools for a 10-year period of time, such plan to be updated annually and evaluated comprehensively at least every ten years; and
- 4) The superintendent shall target the delivery and completion of this report by next year's capital budget process.

Ms. Eaton seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion. (favor – 9) Ms. Adekoya did not vote on this item.

Ms. Miller exited the room at 9:56 p.m. and re-entered the room at 9:58 p.m.

The Board adjourned its meeting at 10:08 p.m.