

**Baltimore County School Board Nominating Commission Meeting
Greenwood, Building E, February 12, 2018**

ATTENDEES: Aaron Plymouth (Chair); Abby Beytin (Vice Chair); Leslie Weber (Acting Secretary); Katherine Bloom; Tony Campbell; Michael Darenberg; Doug Elmendorf; Marietta English; Bill Groth; Elisa Hartman; Virginia Hoy; Karla Jenkins; Olivia Keithley; Robert Pfaff; Toby Atkinson-Pulley; Laura Suffecool; Lauren Taylor

EXCUSED: Julie Sugar (Secretary), Lila Merenbloom

GUESTS: Chuck McDaniels, Baltimore County Board of Education (BOE) Member, Maryland Association of Boards of Education (MABE) President; Dr. Carol Batoff (BCPS); 5 community observers, Clifford Collins, Arnold Pottler, Jo Toye, LaShaune Stitt, Camille Marx

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by A. Plymouth; Pledge of Allegiance; Board Member Introductions

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS: Thanks to L. Taylor for sending news release, reformatting application form; thanks to E. Hartman for help with BOE-member questionnaire

PRESENTATION: C. McDaniels on BOE's role (governance vs. management), responsibilities, traits of effective BOE member, value of diverse board to lead to better outcomes (all comes down to student achievement); BOE member must be able to commit 10-15 hours/week to be effective

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- **Candidate filings:** So far, Districts 1, 2, 5, 6, 7; if unopposed, candidate will win
- **BCSBNM recommendations:** By October 1, at least 8 names for 4 at-large positions; commission also recommends people for BOE vacancies; nomination application open February 1 to March 16
- **Application process:** Per COMAR, applicant must be 21; date of birth (DOB) not on form; may require second document to attest to DOB and residency; BCPS legal department will have to weigh in
- **Applicant interview procedures:** Questions must be determined; all applicants must receive same questions from chair with members asking clarifying questions; need rubric to score answers; interviews to be held at Greenwood; interviews are public record (may be livestreamed or transcribed)
- **Public hearings:** Motion passed to hold 3 public meetings in eastern, central, western parts of county before end of March with Chair determining dates and facilities; hearings must be held before interviews to incorporate public input; A. Plymouth to work on setting dates, locations, having news release sent

MOTION: Motion passed to extend meeting to 9pm to accomplish creation of subcommittees

SUBCOMMITTEES: 3 needed to proceed with commission work; work must be concluded soon

- **Screening Criteria/Rubric:** Must look at COMAR; members A. Beytin, K. Jenkins, A. Plymouth, T. Pulley
- **Public Hearings:** presentation, procedures, guidelines by end of February; members A. Beytin, T. Campbell, L. Suffecool, L. Taylor
- **Interview Questions/Rubric:** R. Pfaff, B. Groth volunteered, but motion made to table until next meeting when all commission members are present

ACTION ITEMS:

- **A. Plymouth** to share info from National Chamber of Commerce; set public hearings, arrange news release on hearings
- **O. Keithley** to send Doodle Poll to help set dates for March and April commission meetings

Meeting adjourned at 9pm.

Respectfully submitted by Leslie Weber, filling in for Secretary Julie Sugar