

BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DATE: May 19, 2009

TO: **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

FROM: Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent

SUBJECT: **REPORT ON THE PROPOSED CHANGES TO BOARD OF
EDUCATION POLICY 1500 – COMMUNITY RELATIONS: ZONING
INFORMATION**

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**RESOURCE
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RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education reviews the proposed changes to Policy 1500.
This is the first reading.

Attachment I – Policy Analysis
Attachment II – Policy 1500

**Policy Analysis for
Board of Education Policy 1500
Zoning Information**

Statement of Issues or Questions Addressed

Board of Education Policy 1500 addresses the collaboration between BCPS and agencies in Baltimore County government regarding zoning, development and other issues that may have an impact on schools.

Cost Analysis and Fiscal Impact on School System

No fiscal impact is anticipated by this revision.

Relationship to Other Board of Education Policies

Board of Education Policy 1200, *Community Involvement*.

Legal Requirements

The Baltimore County Zoning Regulations governs zoning issues in Baltimore County.

Similar Policies Adopted by Other Local School Systems

1. Calvert County, Administrative Procedure #8123 (*Community*)
2. Howard County, Policy 1000, *Parent, Family and Community Involvement*
3. Montgomery County Policy, KMA , *Relations With Community Organizations*

Draft of Proposed Policy

Attached

Other Alternative Considered By Staff

No other alternative was considered.

Timeline:

- First reading – May 19, 2009
- Public comment – June 9, 2009
- Third reading – July 14, 2009

COMMUNITY RELATIONS: Zoning Information

I.[1.] The Board of Education OF BALTIMORE COUNTY (BOARD) [will] ESTABLISHES PROCEDURES [consider requests from the Superintendent's staff and from concerned citizens, through the Superintendent's Office,] to [oppose] REVIEW AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION REGARDING proposed zoning REQUESTS WHICH MAY HAVE AN IMPACT ON SCHOOLS. [which it is felt will result in hazardous conditions for school children. In those cases where the Board feels that conditions hazardous to the health or safety of school students will in fact result from the proposed zoning, the Superintendent will be instructed to present written and oral testimony at hearings before appropriate zoning officials or boards expressing the Board's opposition.] ZONING REQUESTS INCLUDE PETITIONS MADE THROUGH THE QUADRENNIAL COMPREHENSIVE ZONING MAP PROCESS (CZMP).

[2. In those zoning matters which affect pupil density, the Superintendent shall submit to the appropriate zoning official or board a written report indicating present school population and classroom space available, enrollment projections and building plans for the future, noting the effect which it is felt that such zoning change would have on school housing matters in the area.]

Policy
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Board of Education of Baltimore County