

BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DATE: August 9, 2011

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

FROM: Dr. Joe Hairston, Superintendent

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF THE CARNEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

LIGHTED FLAGPOLE

ORIGINATOR: Karen Blannard, Assistant Superintendent, Elementary Zone 1

RESOURCE Stacey Durkovic, Principal, Carney Elementary School

PERSON(S):

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education approves the installation of a lighted flagpole at Carney Elementary School.

Carney Elementary School is proposing the installation of a lighted flagpole at the school be approved.

The Carney Community Veterans Organization serves as a partner in the enrichment and achievement of students. The Organization would like to donate a lighted flagpole to be installed at Carney Elementary School. Their donation will provide funds for installation of the flagpole and lighting. Utility costs associated with lighting will be paid by BCPS.

Community members have expressed a desire to have an additional flagpole on school grounds. Flagpole and lighting will instill patriotic spirit and national pride for community members and students. Lighted flagpole would be installed alongside a pre-existing memorial on school grounds in front of the school near Joppa Road. There is no anticipated impact on traffic flow on Joppa Road or to traffic coming in and out of the school. The proposal has been discussed with the community at a meeting of the Carney Improvement Association.