Below are responses to questions and requested additional information received verbally from Ms. Causey and Ms. Henn on Wednesday, August 19, 2020. No written questions were received by board members.

1. What is the rationale and determination of legacy projects? Why aren’t the other two high schools (Dulaney and Towson) on the state capital request considered to be legacy projects?
   The term “legacy project” is neither a Baltimore County Government (BCG) nor a Baltimore County Public Schools (BCPS) defined term. A “legacy project,” as defined by CannonDesign, is a capital project that has received full design and/or construction funding as of July 1, 2020.

2. Who determined what constitutes a legacy project? What was the plan for bringing the Board into that process?
   This term was defined by CannonDesign exclusively for the Multi-Year Improvement Plan for All Schools (MYIPAS). Legacy projects do not require a full assessment of the capacity, educational adequacy and equity, and condition during the development of MYIPAS. The Board chair is a member of the administrative committee, and members of the Board are included in focus groups.

3. Is there something in the CannonDesign’s MYIPAS contract that uses legacy projects as a determination?
   No, there is nothing in the MYIPAS contract that uses legacy projects as a determination.

4. What decisions have been made for the capital plan (i.e., the determination that a legacy project is defined by funding)?
   Nothing currently being done for the development of MYIPAS has any impact upon the current FY2022 Capital Budget request.

5. Please provide the Board the state and local planning documents (presented and final) since FY2015. Please provide the Board with the informational summaries that go along with the approval. What were the criteria to add projects to the list? Please provide the Board with the facilities assessment for capacity.
   The criteria used to add projects to the capital requests were based on the Schools for Our Future program and included the need for additional seats, air conditioning, and required infrastructure improvements. Below are the links to BoardDocs for the state and county Capital Budget requests for FY2015 to the present.
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**FY2015**  
September 10, 2013 (State)  
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**FY2016**  
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**FY2017**  
September 1, 2015 (State)  
October 6, 2015 (State)  
January 5, 2016 (County)  
August 23, 2016, Capital Budget Supplement (County)

**FY2018**  
September 13, 2016 (State)  
January 10, 2017 (County)

**FY2019**  
September 12, 2017 (State) – Minutes Available in BoardDocs  
January 9, 2018 (County) – Minutes Available in BoardDocs  
May 31, 2018, Final (State) – Presented at August 7, 2018, BOE Meeting  
June 11, 2019, Capital Budget Supplement (County) – ETA Description

**FY2020**  
September 11, 2018 (State) – ETA Description  
January 22, 2019 (County) – ETA Description  
June 24, 2019, Final (State) – Presented at August 6, 2019, BOE Meeting  
February 11, 2020, Capital Budget Supplement (State) – ETA Description

**FY2021**  
September 10, 2019 (State) – ETA Description  
January 21, 2020 (County) – ETA Description

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Educational Facilities Master Plan
6. Please provide the Board with the MYIPAS project schedule from CannonDesign. Please show the intersection between CannonDesign’s project schedule and when the Board can expect a Phase I recommendation. Please also include when the Board has action around the capital plan and state capital request. The schedule for MYIPAS is fall 2020 for Phase I and fall 2021 for Phase II. The MYIPAS and the FY2022 Capital Budget request are two separate and distinct processes with two separate and distinct schedules. Note: Attached you will find the Schedule for FY2022 State and County Capital Budget Request.

7. How is the decision being made on which Board members populate the focus groups? Who is making this decision? Will the focus groups be posted online? Are the focus group meetings subject to the Open Meetings Act, and will they be posted online? The formation of the focus groups did not follow a formal process; however, the makeup of each focus group was reviewed and authorized by the county executive and the superintendent. The attempt was made to create a diverse and inclusive group. The focus group meetings have not been posted online and are, according to the Office of Law, not subject to the Open Meetings Act.

8. Is there a communication plan on making the Online Comment Form known to the public? The communication plan is currently under development by CannonDesign.

9. Please provide the Board with an update on funding (state and local), given the pandemic’s economic crisis. As it relates to the Capital Budget and capital request, please summarize (1) what can be expected, (2) a five-year outlook, (3) what would be realistic. The IAC has advised that FY22 funding will be approximately $31.5 million for BCPS, lower than the $40 million annually that the county government has included in its capital planning. No long-term revenue projections are available from the state; however, a $1 billion shortfall has been projected for FY20. This shortfall could rise to $2.1 billion in FY21 and $2.6 billion in FY22, by the most optimistic projections being circulated. Under these circumstances, the prospect of an expanded capital funding program is uncertain. Current state aid to education for operations warns that funding could be reduced in January 2021 under recommendations pending from the Board of Public Works.

10. Please provide an update on the remaining air-conditioning projects. Is there an opportunity to have the remaining projects completed in the fall? All of the remaining air conditioning projects are on schedule, and efforts are underway to complete the projects in fall 2020. Final testing and balancing will be scheduled in spring 2021. It is based on the assumption that the pandemic will not have any impact on the schedule.
11. Please update the Board on the status of Golden Ring Middle School. The current plan is that Golden Ring Middle School will be repurposed after the construction of the new Northeast Area Middle School is complete. The construction of the new Northeast Area Middle School is awaiting state funding.

12. Will CannonDesign review past projects and actual student enrollment to understand how effective projects have or have not been in the past on a school-by-school basis?
   All enrollment projections, capacity utilization, and prior capital improvement plans have been provided to CannonDesign as part of the MYIPAS project.
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Second Round (90% PSCP Recommendations to IAC)......... February 2021
Third Round (100% PSCP Recommendations to IAC).......... May 2021
Final Letter of Approval .............................................................June 2021

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Board Vote on the FY2021 County Capital Budget............. January 2021
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Presentation to County Planning Board............................. January 2021
Budget Review by County Agencies ................................. January – March 2021
County Executive Presents Proposed Budget to County Council .... April 2021
County Council Public Hearing ............................................ April 2021
County Council Budget Work Session ....................................May 2021
County Council Adopts FY2022 County Capital Budget ......... May 2021