THE MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Minutes of the April 24, 2024 Meeting

The Maryland State Board of Education met on April 24, 2024 at 6:30pm via Zoom.

The following Board members were present in the meeting:

Mr. Clarence Crawford (Board President), Dr. Joshua Michael (Board Vice President), Dr. Susan Getty, Mr. Samir Paul, Ms. Chuen-Chin Bianca Chang, Ms. Rachel McCusker, Mr. Shawn Bartley, Esq., Mr. Nick Greer, Ms. Abisola Ayoola, Dr. Irma Johnson, Dr. Joan Mele-McCarthy and Dr. Monica Goldson were in attendance.

Dr. Holly Wilcox was absent.

State Board Executive Director Zachary Hands, and Assistant Attorney General Elliott Schoen were also in attendance.

MEETING OPENING

Mr. Crawford called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Mr. Schoen declared that a quorum was present.

Mr. Crawford provided opening remarks and welcomed members of the public.

EXECUTIVE SESSION I

Pursuant to § 3-305(b)(1) of the General Provisions Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, and upon motion of Dr. Mele-McCarthy and seconded by Mr. Paul and with unanimous approval, the State Board of Education met for a closed session virtually. All Board members were present except for Dr. Wilcox. State Board Executive Director Zachary Hands and Assistant Attorney General Elliott Schoen were also present.

The Board discussed a personnel matter regarding the search for the new State Superintendent of Schools and the process for public voting. The executive session commenced at 6:33pm and concluded at 6:43 pm.

UPDATE ON NEW STATE SUPERINTENDENT

Following a summary of the search process from Dr. Michael, and upon the motion of Dr. Michael, seconded by Dr. Mele-McCarthy, the State Board of Education took a roll call vote and unanimously voted to appoint Dr. Carey Wright as the State Superintendent of Schools for the term beginning on July 1, 2024.

President Crawford, Vice President Michael, and other State Board members made congratulatory comments on Dr. Wright's appointment as the Superintendent. Dr. Wright made comments thanking the State Board for their appointment.

With no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carey M. Wright, Ed.D. Secretary/Treasurer

Date: April 30, 2024

The information included here provides a summary of the agenda items presented. The video recordings of the meetings are the official record and can be located at: https://www.marylandpublicschools.org/stateboard/Pages/Meetings-2024.aspx

Meeting materials, Opinions, and Orders can be found at: https://www.marylandpublicschools.org/stateboard/Pages/default.aspx

The next Maryland State Board of Education meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 30, 2024.

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