

MINUTES OF THE MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Monday, July 27, 2020
Maryland State Board of Education
200 W. Baltimore Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21201

The Maryland State Board of Education met via videoconference on Monday, July 27, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. The following members participated on the videoconference call: Brigadier General (BG) Warner Sumpter (Ret.); Ms. Jean Halle; Mr. Shawn Bartley; Ms. Gail Bates; Mr. Clarence Crawford; Mr. Charles R. Dashiell, Jr., Esq.; Dr. Susan Getty; Dr. Vermelle D. Greene; Dr. Rose M. Li; Dr. Joan Mele-McCarthy; Ms. Rachel McCusker, Ms. Lori Morrow; Dr. Holly Wilcox; Mr. Jason Wu, Student Representative; and State Superintendent Dr. Karen B. Salmon.

The following staff members also participated: Elliott L. Schoen, Assistant Attorney General and Dr. Miya T. Simpson, Executive Director, Office of the State Board.

President Sumpter called the meeting to order in public session and asked Dr. Simpson to conduct the roll call. Mr. Schoen declared the presence of a quorum.

President Sumpter called for a motion to adjourn to Executive Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to § 3-305(b)(7) of the General Provisions Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, and upon motion of Mr. Dashiell, seconded by Ms. Bates, and with unanimous approval, the Maryland State Board of Education met in closed session via WebEx on Tuesday, July 27, 2020, for a retreat, an administrative function of the Board. All board members were present. Also in attendance were State Superintendent Karen B. Salmon, and Dr. Miya Simpson, Executive Director, Office of the State Board and Assistant Attorneys General, Elliott Schoen. The Executive Session commenced at 10:00 a.m.

At that time, the State Board conducted a retreat and the following matters were discussed. Legal Authority and Responsibilities of the Maryland State Board, Effective Board Leadership and Governance, Getting to know the Maryland State Department of Education, Managing Media and Community Relations, Board and Member Support through the Office of the State Board of Education and, Moving Forward as a Board.

The Board recessed at 1:45 pm.

Karen B. Salmon, Ph.D.
Secretary/Treasurer

Date: July 27, 2020

MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
PRESIDING OFFICER'S WRITTEN STATEMENT FOR CLOSING A MEETING ("CLOSING STATEMENT") UNDER OPEN MEETINGS ACT (General Provisions Article § 3-305)

1. Recorded vote to close the meeting.

Date: July 27, 2020

Time: 10:00 AM

Location: Virtual

Motion to close meeting made by: Mr. Charles Dashiell

Seconded by: Ms. Gail Bates

Members in favor: 14

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Absent: 0

2. The meeting was closed under authority of Section 3-305(b) of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland (check all provisions that apply). This meeting will be closed under General Provision Art. § 3-305(b) only.

- 1. To discuss: (i) the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; or (ii) any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals.
- 2. To protect the privacy or reputation of individuals concerning a matter not related to public business.
- 3. To consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto.
- 4. To consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State.
- 5. To consider the investment of public funds.
- 6. To consider the marketing of public securities.
- 7. To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice.
- 8. To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation.
- 9. To conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations.
- 10. To discuss public security, if the public body determines that public discussion would constitute a risk to the public or to public security, including: (i) the deployment of fire and police services and staff; and (ii) the development and implementation of emergency plans.
- 11. To prepare, administer, or grade a scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examination.
- 12. To conduct or discuss an investigative proceeding on actual or possible criminal conduct.
- 13. To comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter.
- 14. Before a contract is awarded or bids are opened, to discuss a matter directly related to a negotiating strategy or the contents of a bid or proposal, if public discussion or disclosure would adversely impact the ability of the public body to participate in the competitive bidding or proposal process.

3. For each provision checked above, disclosure of the topic to be discussed and the public body's reason for discussing that topic in closed session.

Citation (insert #
from above)
§ 3-305(b)(7)

Topic

Reason for closed-session discussion to topic

Internal Board Management Items

4. This statement is made by BG Warner I. Sumpter, Ret., Presiding Officer.