

MINUTES OF THE MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Tuesday, April 6, 2021
Maryland State Board of Education
200 W. Baltimore Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21201

The Maryland State Board of Education met via WebEx videoconference on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. The following members participated in the videoconference: Mr. Clarence Crawford (President); Ms. Jean Halle (Vice President); Mr. Shawn Bartley; Ms. Gail Bates; 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; Brigadier General (BG) Warner Sumpter; 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 Simpson, Executive Director, Office of the State Board.

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

President Crawford explained the meeting procedures and read the closing statement to adjourn to Executive Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to § 3-305(b)(1) of the General Provisions Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, and upon motion of Ms. McCusker, seconded by Ms. Bates, and with unanimous approval, the State Board adjourned to Executive Session. All board members were present (Mr. Bartley and Dr. Mele-McCarthy joined the meeting at this time). Also in attendance were Dr. Miya Simpson, Executive Director, Office of the State Board; Jan Greenwood, Vice President and Managing Partner, Greenwood/Asher & Associates, LLC; and Julie Holley, Senior Executive Search Consultant, Greenwood/Asher & Associates, LLC. The Executive Session commenced at 8:05 a.m.

State Board members discussed personnel matters and reviewed candidates for the State Superintendent position consistent with Ed. Article §2-302.

The Executive Session ended at 12:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned from Executive Session at 12:00 pm.

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

Date: May 25, 2021

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: April 6, 2021

Time: 8:05 am

Location: Virtual

Motion to close meeting made by: Rachel McCusker

Seconded by: Ms. Bates

Members in favor: 12

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Absent: 2

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)	Topic	Reason for closed-session discussion to topic
§ 3-305(b)(1)	State Superintendent candidate review	State Superintendent candidate review

4. This statement is made by Clarence Crawford, Presiding Officer.