

**JOINT MEETING**  
**of the**  
**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS/BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Tuesday, February 17, 2009

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**Call to Order**

A joint meeting of the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) of Frederick County, Maryland, and the Board of Education (BOE) of Frederick County was held at Winchester Hall, 12 East Church Street, Frederick, Maryland, on Tuesday, February 17, 2009.

Commissioner David Gray, *Vice President*, BOCC, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

In attendance from the BOCC were Commissioners Kai Hagen, Charles Jenkins and John L. Thompson, Jr. Commissioner Gardner, *President*, was absent. Also present was Patti Morrow, Recording Secretary.

In attendance from the BOE were Jean Smith, *President*, Dr. Bonnie Borsa, *Vice President*, Donna Crook, Dr. Michael Schaden and Kathryn Groth. Daryl Boffman and Angie Fish were absent from the meeting. Attending from Frederick County Public Schools (FCPS) were Dr. Linda Burgee, Superintendent and Hal Keller, Fiscal Services.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

The meeting began with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Minutes**

By unanimous consent the minutes from Tuesday, January 20, 2009, were approved.

**Review of the FY 2010-2015 Staff Recommended Capital Improvements Program (CIP) – Kelly Weaver, Frederick County Finance Division**

Ms. Weaver presented information on the debt affordability model, which helped determine the amount of debt the county could afford to issue to support the six (6) year CIP, as well as a briefing on the CIP process.

Ms. Weaver indicated at this time the staff recommended FY 2010-2015 CIP would be based on full funding at the Maximum Agency Request Ceiling (MARC) level of the general fund to the CIP program.

**Discussion of the Transfer of Capital Funds – Dr. Linda Burgee, Frederick County Public Schools**

Dr. Burgee indicated the BOE agreed to transfer \$1.4 million out of the West Frederick Middle School and Linganore High School capital construction funds to the county to assist in addressing the current operating budget challenges. She noted the transfer to the county would impact the funds available to the BOE for systemic repairs and renovations.

Dr. Burgee also noted a serious concern over the BOE 2010 and 2011 operating budgets.

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**FY 2010 Operating Budget Update – Hal Keller, Frederick County Public Schools**

Mr. Keller presented the calculation of state aid for the BOE FY 2009 – 2010 operating budget.

A brief discussion on budget shortfalls was held.

Ron Hart, County Manager, requested a breakdown of the step increment as reflected in the budget shortfall.

**Comments**

- Gil House, Frederick County Commission on Disabilities
- Bill Ashton
- Janice Spiegel, President, PTA Council of Frederick County

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Morrow  
Recording Secretary