

JOINT MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND BOARD OF EDUCATION

Tuesday, June 21, 2011

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, June 21, 2011.

Commissioner Blaine R. Young, *President*, BOCC, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

In attendance from the BOCC were Commissioners C. Paul Smith, *Vice President*; Billy Shreve, David Gray and Kirby Delauter. Also present were Mr. John Kroll, Finance Division and Ms. Mary Baker, Recording Secretary.

In attendance from the BOE were Mr. Brad Young, *President*; Dr. April Miller, Mr. James Reeder, Jr., Ms. Jean Smith, Ms. Angie Fish and Ms. Kathryn Groth. Ms. Donna Crook, *Vice President*, was absent from the meeting. Attending from Frederick County Public Schools (FCPS) were Dr. Linda Burgee, Superintendent; Ray Barnes, Paula Lawton and Hal Keller.

Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from Tuesday, May 17, 2011, were approved by unanimous consent.

Commissioner Shreve Requested the Following Discussions

- A. Standardized School Construction and School Sites
- B. Privatization of School Maintenance
- C. Design/Build/Operation Model for Schools
- D. Forward Funding Money and Construction/Renovation of Schools
- E. Plans for Current and Future Utilization of Capacity

Staff from FCPS and BOE stated their position on the various topics. Mr. Ray Barnes, FCPS, presented information regarding school sites, construction and renovation. He will come back before the Board with criteria for school sites and standardization of sites and construction including what goes into the planning and construction of each school.

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Mr. Young, Dr. Burgee and Mr. Barnes presented information regarding options for privatization of school maintenance.

Dr. Burgee and Mr. Barnes presented plans for current and future use of capacity.

(Commissioner Gray arrived at the meeting.)

Commissioner Shreve Requested the Following Human Resources Synergies Discussion

- A. Does Maintenance of Effort Increase Because of Benefit Payments
- B. County and BOE Salary Spread

Mr. Hal Keller, FCPS, advised the Board that the maintenance of effort does not increase because of benefit payment.

Ms. Paula Lawton, FCPS and Dr. Miller noted it would be beneficial to conduct a study regarding the salaries between FCPS and county employees to make a determination if there was a large salary spread between the two entities.

Comments

Commissioner Shreve noted interest in discussing the items brought before the Board and the BOE in greater detail.

Commissioner Smith noted interest in reviewing the salaries for equity.

Mr. John Kroll, Finance Division, noted there were additional funds available for school construction and applications should be made to the state.

Ms. Smith moved for FCPS to work with the county finance staff to complete and turn in the applications for systemic renovations of New Midway Elementary School for the air conditioner project and Thurmont Middle School for window and door repairs. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion that passed unanimously with Ms. Crook absent.

Public Comment

Ms. M.C. Keegan-Ayre provided comments.

Mr. Young extended a thank you to the Sherriff's Office for the assistance with the numerous graduation ceremonies held recently at Mount Saint Mary's University and the assistance provided by the school resource officers throughout the school year.

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Mr. Young also noted this would be the last joint meeting for Dr. Burgee as she was set to retire June 30. He and the Board thanked her for the many years of service to FCPS.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Mary E. Baker
Recording Secretary