

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HARFORD COUNTY

**DECISION ON THE BOARD OF EDUCATION'S
AMENDED FY 2011 BUDGET**

APRIL 1, 2010

Background Information:

Harford County Public Schools has been advised by the County Executive that the County will provide \$3,000,000 additional funding above the Maintenance of Effort level of Funding for the FY 2011 Unrestricted Fund Budget.

Discussion:

The County requests that the new funds be used to eliminate the salary reductions in the original Proposed FY 2011 Board of Education Budget. They also request that the Board begin the Natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences Magnet Program at North Harford High in the Fall, 2010. We have included various amendments on the next page which require Board action to bring the budget into balance.

Superintendent's Recommendation:

The Superintendent recommends the Board of Education adopt the proposed amendments and approve the amended FY 2011 Budget for the Unrestricted Fund in the amount of \$420,567,895.

Amendments:

Proposed Amendments to FY11 BOE Budget					
April 1, 2010					
Board		FTE	Revenue	Expenses	
Approval		BOE's Proposed Budget FY 2011 - January 2010	4,950.6	417,525,509	417,525,509
Revenue	1	Local Revenue		3,000,000	
	2	State Revenue			
	3	Other Revenue		42,386	
Expense	4	Wage Adjustments			5,012,360
	5	Benefit Adjustments - Decrease in Original Health Rate and Plan Design Changes			(2,816,359)
	6	Other Benefit Adjustments - Health Ins. funded with ARRA (\$882,998) and +\$428,743 Enrollment Increases since October 09			(454,255)
	7	Retirement - Rate Increase			706,249
	8	Natural Resources/Ag Science Magnet Program	3.0		300,000
	9	High School Summer School			(35,232)
	10	Nonpublic Placements			194,623
	11	Equipment - Performance Matters			135,000
		April 2010 Changes	3.0	3,042,386	3,042,386
		FY 2011 BOE Proposed Budget - April 2010	4,953.6	420,567,895	420,567,895

Revenue Source	FY 2011 BOE January	Change in Funding Jan. - April	FY 2011 BOE April
Local	211,061,789	3,000,000	214,061,789
State	198,509,826	-	198,509,826
Federal	380,330		380,330
Other Sources	2,940,883	42,386	2,983,269
Fund Balance	4,632,681		4,632,681
Total	417,525,509	3,042,386	420,567,895

Explanation of Amendments

1. Recognize \$3,000,000 in additional County Revenue.
2. No change in State revenue yet as General Assembly discussions continue.
3. Recognize a (\$10,700) decrease in revenue from online courses and an increase in summer school revenue of \$53,086. Net change in Other revenue is \$42,386.
4. Eliminate negative wage adjustments in the amount of \$5,012,360.
5. Reduce Benefit Expense – Reduction in original Health Insurance rate increase and plan design changes in the amount of (\$2,816,359).
6. Reduce Benefit Expense – Health Insurance funded by additional ARRA federal funds in the amount of (\$882,998) and an increase in enrollment since October totaling \$428,743 annually. Net change is (\$454,255).
7. Recognize additional retirement pension expenditures based on increasing employer contribution rates in the amount of \$706,249.
8. Fund the start of the Natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences Magnet Program at North Harford High School in FY 2011 in the amount of \$300,000.
9. Reduce expenditures for the high school summer school program by (\$35,232).
10. Increase allocation for Nonpublic Placements in the amount of \$194,623.
11. Equipment purchases in the amount of \$135,000 for the Performance Matters Software.