

**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HARFORD COUNTY**

**INFORMATIONAL REPORT**

**DECISION ON**

**CLASSROOM FURNITURE ACQUISITION: JOPPATOWNE ELEMENTARY**

**APRIL 20, 2009**

Background Information:

The Purchasing Department is requesting a decision by the Board to award a classroom furniture contract for Joppatowne Elementary to Glover Sales Group, LLC, located at 221 Cockeysville Road, Cockeysville, Maryland 21030, in the amount of \$127,103.27. This request is for the acquisition of standard classroom furniture items not in the construction contract. The majority of student classroom furniture items are to be furnished, delivered and installed utilizing a comprehensive project management system as a value-added, no cost feature.

The basis for the cost of the classroom and student furniture to be purchased has been established through utilization of the Baltimore Regional Cooperative Purchasing Council's (BRCPC) furniture contract BRCPC #2008-001. The awards for this bid have been made to the Glover Sales Group, LLC, a local dealer for the manufacturers utilized.

Discussion:

A contract to Krueger International for general purpose furniture was decided on the Consent Agenda at the January 12, 2009 Board Meeting.

Furniture is to be delivered and installed according to a building completion schedule developed by the HCPS Planning and Construction Department for the Joppatowne Elementary School project. The cross-functional team of relevant HCPS stakeholders collaborated with the principal, project manager, and the installation firm, Glover Sales Group LLC, to identify and furnish student furniture requirements room-by-room throughout the building for the general use of the school.

Funds for this project are budgeted in the capital equipment budget, fiscal year 2009.

Interim Superintendent's Recommendation:

The Interim Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education approve a contract to Glover Sales Group, LLC, in the amount of \$127,103.27 for the purchase and installation of classroom furniture at Joppatowne Elementary School.