

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HARFORD COUNTY

INFORMATIONAL REPORT

PRESENTATION OF SCHOOL SITE SIZE

(POLICY NO.: 20-0020-000)

November 23, 2009

Background Information:

The Board maintains a manual which sets forth the various policies of the Harford County Public Schools. The manual contains policies which are either required by federal and state law and regulation or which are, in the Board's judgment, necessary and appropriate in order for the school system to operate in a lawful, appropriate and effective manner. Included among such policies is that entitled School Site Size.

Discussion:

This policy has been recommended for deletion for the following reasons.

1. Deciding school site size is a fluid determination which is highly dependent upon the physical, demographic, and environmental characteristics of the area in which the school site is needed and, therefore, should not have preset parameters controlling such a determination.
2. School site size is more an engineering decision than a matter of educational policy.
3. The policy, in any event, merely sets forth guidelines rather than requirements.

Attachments:

1. Current *School Site Size Policy 20-0020-000*.

Superintendent's Recommendation:

For the foregoing reasons, it is recommended that Board Policy No. 20-0020-000 entitled School Site Size be considered for deletion in its entirety from Board policy at a future Board meeting.