

POLICY TITLE: Board Officers – Election and Term of Office		
ADOPTION/EFFECTIVE DATE:	MOST RECENTLY AMENDED: 11/24/2008	MOST RECENTLY REAFFIRMED: 11/22/2004
POLICY/PROCEDURE MANUAL SUMMARY CATEGORY: School System Governance		

I. Purpose

The purposes of this policy are to:

1. Establish the procedure for the election of the Board president and vice president;
- ~~2. Establish the terms of office for such positions; and~~
- ~~3. Establish eligibility requirements for such positions.~~

II. Policy Statement

~~A. Election Date~~

~~At the first Board meeting in April of every year beginning April, 2009, the Secretary/Treasurer shall preside until a president and a vice president have been elected as set forth herein.~~

B. Procedure for Nominations

1. The Secretary/Treasurer shall call for nominations for the office of president from the members of the Board. A nomination so made shall be seconded and, thereafter, voted upon. The first such nominee who receives the affirmative vote of ~~four~~ five or more members of the Board shall be elected president.
2. After the president is elected as set forth above, the vice president shall be elected in accordance with the same procedure as set forth for the president above.

~~C. Eligibility~~

No member shall be eligible to be elected as president unless he/she has served at least one year on the Board. No member shall be eligible to be elected as vice president unless he/she has served at least six months on the Board.

D. Term/Taking Office

1. The president and vice president elected as set forth above shall serve for a term of one year, beginning with the first Board business meeting in July of the calendar year in which he or she was elected and ending with the Board's first business meeting of July of the following calendar year. Thereafter, either the president or vice president, who has so served, shall be eligible to be elected and serve either as vice president or president, notwithstanding the fact that they may previously have served in such position in the prior year. A Board member may not serve more than two consecutive years as president or as vice president except that any member who has served as vice president for a year or two years may serve as president in the next following year or two years.

2. Any period of time a vice president served as a president as a result of the president's removal, resignation or death shall not be considered as part of the two year term referenced in the preceding paragraph.

3. The term of the president and vice president, as provided for herein, is subject to termination pursuant to Section 3-108 of the Education Article.

E. Effective Date

1. The election, term and taking office process described above shall become effective as of the first Board business meeting in April and July, 2009, respectively. Thereafter, the election, term and taking office process established herein shall repeat yearly at the first Board meeting in April and July, respectively.

2. Prior to the first business meeting in July, 2009, the president and vice president shall be the Board members who were so elected at the Board meeting of July, 2008.

~~Board Approval Acknowledged By:~~

~~Patricia L. Skebeck, Secretary and Treasurer
Board of Education of Harford County~~

Board Approval Acknowledged By:

Barbara P. Canavan
Superintendent

Policy Action Dates					
ACTION	DATE	ACTION	DATE	ACTION	DATE
Amended	11/8/1982	Reaffirmed	11/22/2004		
Amended	4/6/1992	Amended	11/24/2008		
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LEGAL REFERENCES¹

Section 3-6A-01 *et seq* of the Education Article of the Maryland Code.

¹ All references are to specific federal or Maryland statutes or regulations. References are provided for convenience and informational purposes only and are not to be considered as exhaustive or as precluding Harford County Public Schools from relying upon any other statutes or regulations in support of a policy.