

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HARFORD COUNTY  
Work Session  
Minutes of January 21, 2016

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Open Session

The Board of Education of Harford County met in open session in the Board room of the HCPS A.A. Roberty Building on Wednesday, January 21, 2016. Mrs. Nancy Reynolds, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

All Board members were present with the exception of Mr. Frisch, who was absent due to illness.

Work Session

Mrs. Reynolds announced the purpose of the work session was to review the Superintendent's recommended FY17 Operating Budget and to receive public comment regarding the proposed budget.

Budget Discussion #3

Presenters: Mr. Joe Licata, Chief of Administration, Mrs. Deborah Judd, Assistant Superintendent for Business Services; Mr. Eric Clark, Director of Budget; Mrs. Mary Edmunds and Mrs. Michelle Sledge, Budget Specialist.

Discussion

The budget presenters led the Board through a review of responses to questions that had been submitted by Board members. The presenters, as well as appropriate members of the Superintendent's staff, provided additional information and answered questions from Board members as needed, particularly in the category of the critical needs list and restoring bus transportation to magnet school students.

Public Comment

The Board received two public comments which focused on the importance of Instructional Facilitators and Teachers Mentors and the significant impact it would have on student achievement if these positions were eliminated.

- Cheryl Monk, Instructional Facilitator at Youth's Benefit Elementary and Homestead Wakefield Elementary
- Chris Cook, Principal at Homestead Wakefield Elementary

Closing

No formal action was taken by the Board.

With no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

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Barbara P. Canavan, Superintendent  
of Schools and Secretary-Treasurer

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Nancy Reynolds, Board President