

MINUTES OF THE MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Tuesday-Wednesday
February 26-27, 2008

Maryland State Board of Education
200 W. Baltimore Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21201

The Maryland State Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday and Wednesday, February 26-27, 2008, at the Nancy S. Grasmick State Education Building. The following members were in attendance: Mr. Dunbar Brooks, President; Ms. Beverly A. Cooper, Vice-President; Dr. Lelia T. Allen; Dr. Charlene M. Dukes; Mr. Henry Butta; Dr. Mary Kay Finan; Mr. Renford Freemantle; Ms. Rosa M. Garcia; Mr. Richard Goodall; Dr. Karabelle Pizzigati; Mr. David Tufaro and Dr. Nancy S. Grasmick, Secretary/Treasurer and State Superintendent of Schools. Mr. Blair G. Ewing joined the meeting at noon.

Elizabeth Kameen, Esq., Assistant Attorney General, and the following staff members were also present: Dr. Skipp Sanders, Deputy State Superintendent for Administration; Dr. Ronald Peiffer, Deputy State Superintendent for Academic Policy; Ms. JoAnne Carter, Deputy State Superintendent for Instruction and Academic Acceleration and Mr. Anthony South, Executive Director to the State Board.

CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Cooper requested that a notation be included in the January 2008 State Board Minutes that she asked whether Department staff were included in the discussion of Senate Bill 203, Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation (DLLR) – Consolidation of Workforce Development Functions – Transfer of Adult Education and Literacy Services and Education Programs for Correctional Facilities, and that the answer was “no.”

Mr. Tufaro asked that the January minutes reflect his agreement to provide follow-up comments on the MGT Report and his request that those comments be transmitted to the staff of MGT for their response.

Ms. Garcia stated that she is unclear as to what comments from Board Members are included in the minutes of the State Board. Mr. South explained that while the recorder is obligated to capture the specific actions of the Board, the salient points of the discussions are included as well.

Upon motion by Dr. Finan, seconded by Dr. Pizzigati, and with unanimous agreement, the State Board approved the consent agenda items as follows: (In favor – 11)

Approval of Minutes of January 29-30, 2008, as amended

Personnel (**copy attached to these minutes**)

Budget Adjustments for January, 2008

Permission to Publish:

COMAR 13A.04.10 (AMEND)

Programs of Instruction in the World of Work Competencies