

**Maryland State Department of Education  
Juvenile Services Education System**

Education Coordinating Council for Juvenile Services Education System

May 16, 2017

Meeting Notes

**Present:** Karen B. Salmon, Ph.D., State Superintendent of Schools; Deborah Grinnage-Pulley, Executive Director, Juvenile Services Education System (JSES); Crystal Fleming-Brice, Field Director of Instruction and Student Support Services, JSES; Sam Abed, Secretary, Department of Juvenile Services; Dr. Marguerite Weber, Maryland Association for Community Colleges; Elliott Schoen, Deputy Counsel, Office of the Attorney General; Marilyn Myers, Ph.D., Principal, Charles Hickey School; Peter Leone, Ph.D., University Of Maryland; and Daniel Cox, Ed.D., Superintendent, Allegany County Public Schools (phone).

**Absent:** David Brinkley, Secretary, Department of Budget and Management and James Fielder, Secretary, Maryland Higher Education Commission.

**Welcome and Introduction**

**Dr. Karen Salmon**

- Meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM.
- Introduction of members

**Updates**

- Legislation
  - Senate Bill (SB) 674/House Bill (HB) 721 – Juvenile Services – Services and Programs for Females – Passed,
  - HB 920 - Primary and Secondary Education – Certificated School Personnel-Passed, and
  - SB 710/HB 174 Education-Children with Disabilities-Individualized Education Program Process – Parental Consent – Passed.

**Department of Juvenile Services Update**

**Sam Abed**

- Legislation (Handout given to attendees)
  - SB 471/SB 215 – Juvenile Court – Jurisdiction – Failed,
  - SB 674/ HB 721– Juvenile Services and Programs for Females – Passed,

- HB 893/ SB 583 – Juvenile Law – Probation – Failed, and
- HB 1187 – Department of Juvenile Services – Youth Services Bureaus Budget Appropriation – Failed.

### **MSDE Updates**

**Deborah Grinnage-Pulley  
Crystal Fleming-Brice  
Deborah Gibson**

- Population has decreased at six sites and increased at six sites.
- A total of 44 staff members hired since July 1, 2016.
- Frederick Community College – MOU - Post-secondary opportunities are available for eligible students in all facilities. The Maryland State Department of Education JSES continues to look for additional post-secondary partnership opportunities.
- The Maryland State Department of Education has posted an Invitation to Bid to secure substitutes for teachers. There has been three bids, two have been finalized and accepted. Substitutes will have to meet all of the Department of Juvenile Services standards for employment including background checks and fingerprinting.
- Power School/Power Teacher will be the official JSES data warehouse beginning on July 1, 2017. The Power School/Power Teacher system will house student enrollment, credits, report cards, and academic progress data. The system will also increase collaboration between JSES schools.
- No new State special education complaints have been filed between January and May 16, 2017.

### **Strategic Plan Verification**

**Dr. Peter Leone**

- The Strategic Plan was developed in 2015. Benchmarks have been developed based on the five characteristics of high quality education: climate, resources, personnel, curriculum and re-entry.
- The verification team made site visits, conducted meeting with JSES central office staff and principals, and conducted student surveys and interviews between February and November, 2016.
- The strategic plan has been modified and the benchmarks will be finalized in the coming months.
- Challenges and opportunities were shared with the council in the following areas:

- Special Education Services,
- Transition,
- Credits,
- Post-secondary, and
- Career Technology Education.

### **Spotlight on Innovation**

**Dr. Marilyn Myers**

- Dr. Myers, Principal of the Charles Hickey School shared information regarding progress made at the school since July 1, 2016. Dr. Myers highlighted how she has fostered innovation at the Charles H. Hickey School through culture, connection, collaboration and consistency.

### **Conclusion**

**Dr. Karen Salmon**

- Next Meeting will be in November 2017. The date is to be determined.
- Meeting was adjourned at 3:45 PM.