

THE MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Minutes of the October 4, 2023 Meeting
200 West Baltimore Street, Baltimore, MD 21201

The Maryland State Board of Education met on October 4, 2023 at 6:30pm virtually via Zoom.

The following Board members were present in the Board room:

Mr. Clarence Crawford (Board President), Dr. Joshua Michael (Board Vice President), Dr. Susan Getty, Mr. Samir Paul, Esq., Ms. Chuen-Chin Bianca Chang, Ms. Rachel McCusker, Brigadier General (BG) Warner Sumpter, Mr. Nick Greer, Dr. Holly Wilcox, Ms. Abisola Ayoola, Dr. Irma E. Johnson, Dr. Joan Mele-McCarthy, and Dr. Monica Goldson were in attendance.

Mr. Shawn Bartley was absent.

State Board Executive Director Zachary Hands, and Assistant Attorney General Elliott Schoen were also in attendance.

MEETING OPENING

Mr. Crawford called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Mr. Schoen declared that a quorum was present.

Mr. Crawford provided opening remarks and welcomed members of the public.

EXECUTIVE SESSION I

Pursuant to § 3-305(b)(1) of the General Provisions Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, and upon motion of Dr. Joan Mele-McCarthy and seconded by Mr. Paul and with unanimous approval, the State Board of Education met for a closed session virtually. All Board members were present except for Mr. Bartley. State Board Executive Director Zachary Hands and Assistant Attorney General Elliott Schoen were also present.

The Board considered a personnel matter consistent with Education Article §2-302(e) to fill the vacancy of the State Superintendent for the remainder of the unexpired term. The Executive Session commenced at 6:35pm and concluded at 7:00pm.

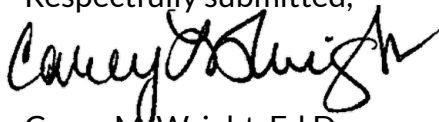
UPDATE ON INTERIM STATE SUPERINTENDENT

Upon motion of Dr. Michael, seconded by Dr. Mele-McCarthy, the State Board of Education unanimously voted to appoint Dr. Carey Wright as the Interim State Superintendent of Schools.

President Crawford, Vice President Michael, and other State Board members made comments welcoming Dr. Wright as the interim superintendent. Dr. Wright made comments thanking the State Board for their appointment.

With no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:18pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Carey M. Wright, Ed.D.
Secretary/Treasurer

Date: October 24, 2023

The information included here provides a summary of the agenda items presented. The video recordings of the meetings are the official record and can be located at:

<https://www.marylandpublicschools.org/stateboard/Pages/Meetings-2023.aspx>

Meeting materials, Opinions, and Orders can be found at:

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The next Maryland State Board of Education meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 24, 2023.

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