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Meeting Minutes February 6, 2020

Call to Order:

Dr. Karen Salmon called the meeting of the Interagency Commission on School Construction to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members in Attendance:

Dr. Karen Salmon, State Superintendent of Schools, Chair
Denise Avara, Appointee of the Governor
Secretary Ellington Churchill, Department of General Services
Edward Kasemeyer, Appointee of the President of the Senate
Gloria Lawlah, Appointee of the President of the Senate
Secretary Robert S. McCord, Maryland Department of Planning

Members Not in Attendance:

Brian Gibbons, Appointee of the Speaker of the House
Dick Lombardo, Appointee of the Governor
Todd Schuler, Appointee of the Speaker of the House

Revisions to the Agenda:

None

Public Comment:

None

IAC Correspondence:

Director Gorrell briefed the Commission about correspondence submitted to the IAC regarding Talbott Springs Elementary School and Hammond High School in Howard County.

I. Consent Agenda

Motion Carried

Upon a motion by Secretary McCord and a second by Senator Lawlah, the members voted unanimously to approve the consent agenda.

A. Approval of December 12, 2019 Minutes

To approve the minutes of the December 12, 2019 Interagency Commission on School Construction Meeting.

B. Approval of Contracts

To approve contract procurement as presented.

II. Maryland Guidelines and Best Practices for the Design, Assessment, and Modification of Physical Facilities and Spaces to Reduce Opportunities for Child Sexual Abuse

Motion Postponed

Cassandra Viscarra, Program Support Administrator, introduced the most Maryland Guidelines and Best Practices for the Design, Assessment, and Modification of Physical Facilities and Spaces to Reduce Opportunities for Child Sexual Abuse, as presented.

Upon recommendation from the IAC to incorporate changes and provide additional revisions to the document, the motion to adopt the Draft Guidelines was postponed. The document is to be presented with revisions incorporated at the following IAC meeting.

III. FY2021 Capital Improvement Program Preliminary Recommendations

Motion Carried

Arabia Davis, Funding Programs Manager for the IAC, highlighted the minor funding adjustments that were made to the FY 2021 CIP Recommendations, which are annually submitted to the General Assembly in March.

Upon a motion by Secretary Churchill with a second by Ms. Lawlah, the IAC voted unanimously to adopt the FY2021 90% Capital Improvement Program IAC recommendations for each school system and the Maryland School for the Blind totaling \$252 million as shown in the Summary of Project Requests and Recommendations and to provide the recommendations to the presiding officers and the budget committees of the General Assembly and the Department of Legislative Services.

IV. Property Transfer Approvals

Michael Bayer, Manager of Infrastructure and Development at the Maryland Department of Planning, presented two facility status change items to the IAC.

A. Brunswick Elementary School – Frederick County Site Approval

Motion Carried

Upon a motion from Ms. Lawlah and a second from Secretary McCord, the IAC voted unanimously to approve the acquisition by the Frederick County Board of Education (FCBOE) of 16.7 acres of land known as the Brunswick Crossing Development Elementary School site, adjacent to Brunswick Elementary School, on the west side of Petersville Road (at Tax Map 202, Parcel 776 and a portion of Parcel 879), so that FCBOE may combine it with the existing school property to enable the construction of a school to replace the existing Brunswick Elementary School; adhering to the actions identified in the state clearinghouse review, state identifier MD20191115-0919.

B. Marion Sarah Peyton School – Somerset County Property Transfer

Motion Carried

Upon a motion from Mr. Kasemeyer and a second from Ms. Avara, the IAC voted unanimously to approve the transfer of the former Marion Sarah Peyton School, located at 28573 Hudson Corner Road, Marion, MD, 21838, from the Somerset County Public Schools Board of Education (BOE) to the Somerset County Commissioners, as approved by the BOE on November 19, 2019, for an undetermined future use and to require repayment of outstanding State bond debt as calculated by the State Treasurer's Office consistent with §5-308 of the Education Article, Annotated Code of Maryland.

V. Baltimore City E15M HVAC Project Status Report

Informational Only

Jamie Bridges, Baltimore City Project Manager, presented a status report on the Baltimore City E15M HVAC allocation.

VI. Legislative Updates

Informational Only

Cassandra Viscarra, Program Support Administrator, presented a legislative update on current legislation relevant to the IAC. To this point, no legislation has passed and all review is preliminary as legislation has just been introduced. Ms. Viscarra highlighted House Bill 1 and House Bill 338 in particular, which are the Building Opportunity Act and the Build to Learn Act. Both of these Bills authorize Maryland Stadium Authority to sell more than \$2 Billion in revenue bonds that will "essentially fund additional CIP projects."

Ms. Viscarra also mentioned that IAC staff is tracking legislation that would change the definition of "elevated levels of lead," which, if enacted, will impact procedures for the Healthy School Facility Fund.

Executive Session:

Pursuant to §§ 3-305(b)(1), 3-305(b)(7), and 3-305(b)(14) of the General Provisions Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, and upon a motion by Secretary Churchill, seconded by Ms. Avara and with unanimous agreement, the Interagency Commission met in closed session on Thursday, February 6th to discuss personnel matters and to obtain legal advice regarding a procurement matter. All members were present except Mr. Gibbons, Mr. Lombardo, and Mr. Schuler. Also in attendance was Robert Gorrell, Executive Director of the IAC. The Executive Session commenced at 9:53 AM.

Adjournment:

The meeting of the Interagency Commission on School Construction adjourned at 10:30 a.m.