Exhibit L

BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DATE: April 24, 2007

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

FROM: Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent

SUBJECT:PROPOSED RE-ADOPTION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY
8260 – INTERNAL BOARD POLICIES: PUBLIC STATEMENTS OF
INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS

ORIGINATOR:

RESOURCE PERSON(S):

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education considers the re-adoption of Policy 8260. This is the first reading of this Policy.

Attachment I – Policy Analysis Attachment II – Proposed Policy 8260

BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY RATIONALE

Re-adoption of Board of Education Policy 8260 Internal Board Policies: Duties and Responsibilities: Public Statements of Individual Board Members

Statement of issues or questions to be addressed by the proposed policy

The Ad Hoc Policy Committee is in the process of reviewing the Board's Internal policies. (8000 Series) In light of the Committee's belief in the policy's continuing vitality and applicability, the Committee recommends that the policy be "readopted." (*See*, Policy 8130, Analysis)

<u>Fiscal Impact on the school system</u> No fiscal impact is anticipated or contemplated by this revision.

<u>A draft of the proposed policy</u> See attached

<u>Other alternatives that were considered by the Board members</u> The Board Committee members did not consider other alternatives.

<u>Timeline</u> Opportunity for Citizen Comment, May 8, 2007 Proposed Date of Adoption, May 22, 2007

INTERNAL BOARD POLICIES: Duties and Responsibilities

Public Statements of Individual Board Members

It is understood that the members of the Board have authority only when acting as a Board legally in session. The Board shall not be bound in any way by any action or statement on the part of any individual Board member except when such statement or action is in pursuance of specific instructions from the Board.

Official statements to the public shall be made by the president or a designated member following official action by the Board.

The Board will issue releases to the news media following official action in substantive matters.

Policy Adopted: 4/13/72 READOPTED: Board of Education of Baltimore County