

**Business and Education Partnership Advisory Council
(BEPAC)
Membership Meeting
February 23, 2010**

MINUTES

The February 23, 2010 BEPAC membership meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by President Mary Lynn Devlin.

Scott Sturgill delivered the treasurer's report with a recommendation to reforecast the budget due to the surplus of funds. Motion to accept treasurer's report with recommendation was made by Jim Gawthrop and seconded by Linda Tipton, unanimously accepted by the members.

Superintendent's Report: Mr. Shaffer briefly talked about several House and Senate bills that would financially impact Cecil County, constant yield, financial literacy and teacher pensions.

The third budget work session was held on Monday, February 22, 2010, the public hearing of the Superintendent's budget will be held on March 1st and then the budget becomes the Board of Education budget. The Board of Education's budget is then presented to the Board of County Commissioners. At this time the school system has reduced the number of positions by 30 through attrition and restructuring.

Ms. Devlin thanked Mr. Shaffer and went on to introduce Harland Graef and Chris Ann Szep who presented on behalf of the Charter Government Committee.

Charter Government Presentation

Mr. Graef explained how the committee to draft a charter was selected. There were 38 applications for 9 positions. The county commissioners made the final selection. There are an estimated 100 presentations scheduled between now and August 1st when the draft is to go to the commissioners. There is a Friends of Charter who will continue to educate and market the Charter Government document.

Members in Attendance:

Linda Dyekman, Dyekman Design, Inc.
James Dyekman, Dyekman Design, Inc.
Joanne Rufft, Artesian Water
Nikki Bigley, Cecil County Public Library
Joe Cupini, Terumo Medical Corporation
Joanne Young, Office of Economic Development
Chris Ann Szep, Cecil College
Laura Mayse, Cecil Chamber
Jim Gawthrop, York Building Products

Harland Graef, DuPont (retired)
Mary Lynn Devlin, Union Hospital
Kathy Kunda, BEPAC Coordinator
Marty Healy, W.L. Gore & Associates
Scott Sturgill, Harford Bank
Al Aldrichyn, Whispering Pines Mobile Homes
Bruce England, SWN
B.J. Michel, SAIC
Lee Dougherty, Cecil College
Melanie Fishel, Rock Springs Generation Facility
Linda Tipton, Delmarva Power
Donna Rice, Cecil County Classroom Teachers Association (CCCTA)
Nelson Bolender, Cecil County School Employees Federal Credit Union (CCSEFCU)
Carol McKinney, CCSEFCU
Dave Carter, Haines & Kibblehouse Group
John Betts, York Building Products
Jessica Marcus, Chick-fil-A

Cecil County Public Schools

Henry Shaffer, Superintendent
D'Ette Devine, Associate Superintendent Administrative Services
Robert Davis, Executive Director Human Resources
Kelly Keeton, Assistant in Administration

Next Membership Meeting
Tuesday, March 23, 2010
Carver Leadership Center
7:30-8:00 Networking
8:00 a.m. Meeting

Respectfully submitted
Kathy Kunda