

Office of the Superintendent of Schools
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Rockville, Maryland

March 8, 2011

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Board of Education
From: Jerry D. Weast, Superintendent of Schools
Subject: Lease Agreement—Brickyard Road Site

In November 2009, County Executive Isiah Leggett wrote to then Board of Education president, Ms. Shirley Brandman, about leasing the Brickyard Road Middle School site for development of ballfields. Staff in the Department of Facilities Management briefed the Board of Education in May and June of 2010, after meeting with county staff to obtain more information about the proposal.

Staff in the Department of Facilities Management continued to work with representatives of Montgomery County on the terms and conditions of a lease agreement. The county intends to build and operate athletic fields at the site through a public/private partnership with an athletic organization. I am recommending that the Board of Education authorize the president of the Board and the superintendent of schools to execute a Land Lease Agreement with Montgomery County, which has been reviewed by the Board of Education's attorney.

WHEREAS, Montgomery County is interested in constructing more ballfields to provide additional recreational facilities for Montgomery County residents and has identified the future Brickyard Middle School site, located on Brickyard Road in Potomac, Maryland, as a location for ballfield construction; and

WHEREAS, Montgomery County has requested a land lease of the 20-acre site that would include a term of 10 years with the option to reclaim the site should it be needed for school construction purposes; and

WHEREAS, Montgomery County will be responsible for notifying the community, obtaining all required permits, developing and maintaining the ballfields, and paying an annual rent of \$1,500; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the president of the Board of Education and the superintendent of schools be authorized to execute a Land Lease Agreement with Montgomery County for construction of ballfields at the future Brickyard Middle School site.

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