



## Legislative Committee Meeting

Monday, November 10, 2016

10:00 a.m. – Noon

MABE Conference Room

Stacy Korbela, Legislative Committee Chair  
Warner Sumpter, Legislative Committee Vice Chair

### Agenda

1.	Welcome and Introductions	Information		
2.	Reports from Board Members	Information & Discussion	All	20 min.
3.	“Knott” Commission on 21 <sup>st</sup> Century School Facilities • Update	Information & Discussion	Warner Sumpter/ John Woolums	15 min.
4.	“Kirwan” Commission on Innovation and Excellence in Education • Adequacy Study Update	Information & Discussion	Donna Brightman/ John Woolums	10 min.
5.	MABE’s 2017 Legislative Positions • Review & Adopt	Information & Discussion	John Woolums/ All	45 min.
6.	MABE’s Legislative Process for the 2017 Session	Information	John Woolums/ All	20 min.
7.	Calendar • Future Dates & Agendas • <b>Legislative Day Luncheon – Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017</b>	Information	All	10 min.
8.	Adjournment	Closing Remarks		

\* Meeting Materials on Reverse

## **Meeting Materials & Resources for the November 14, 2016 Meeting**

### **Commission on Innovation and Excellence in Education** ([HB 999/SB 905](#)) and [Fiscal and Policy Note](#)

This bill establishes the Commission on Innovation and Excellence in Education. The commission must review the findings of the study on adequacy of funding for education, due on December 1, 2016, and related studies, and provide recommendations on preparing students in the State to meet specified objectives. The Commission must provide a preliminary report and a final report of its finding and recommendations to the Governor and specified committees by December 31, 2016, and December 31, 2017, respectively. The bill took effect June 1, 2016, and terminates May 31, 2018.

On September 29, 2016 the "Kirwan" Commission held its first meeting. Commission Chair, William E. "Brit" Kirwan, opened the meeting by emphasizing that this was a rare opportunity to be on such a commission, and that although the charge is very broad, the task at hand is essentially to make recommendations on how to make our schools better and that we owe it to students to develop a system that is as good as the best in the world. [Link to All Sept. 29 Presentations](#)

Chairman Kirwan has indicated that the Commission will not be making any substantive recommendations in its interim report to the General Assembly this December, but would include a summary of the Commission's work to date and the work plan for 2017. He was clear about the heavy workload beginning in mid-April, following the legislative session, for the Commission to complete its work in the following eight months.

On October 31, 2016, the Commission received the following presentations:

- Overview of Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)
- Overview of Accountability and Student Performance in Maryland
- No Time to Lose: How to Build a World-Class Education System State by State
- Lessons from Top Performing Education Systems
- Implementing System Reform

[Link to All Oct. 31 Presentations](#); For more information, go to [MABE's Priority Issue Page](#).

### **21st Century School Facilities Commission**

Senate President Miller and House Speaker Busch formed a commission to review the State's school construction policies and make recommendations for more efficient and effective school construction practices into the future. The 21st Century School Commission is chaired by Martin Knott, President of Knott Mechanical. The Commission met for the first time on April 25, 2016 and after completing the work outlined below will report to the General Assembly by December 2016. MABE is represented on the Commission by MABE's Immediate Past President Warner Sumpter. On July 21, 2016 MABE leaders testified before the Commission, including President-elect Donna Brightman, Legislative Committee Chair Joy Schaefer, and Legislative Committee Vice-Chair Stacy Korbela. The Committee met on Oct. 13, 2016 ([agenda & materials](#)); October 27, 2016 ([agenda & materials](#)); and November 10, 2016 ([agenda & materials](#)). For more information, go to [MABE's Priority Issue Page](#).

### **Calendar**

November 14, 2016; December 12, 2016; January 9, 2017 – Pre-Session; January 23, 2017 – Post Budget release; February 13, 2017; (February 9, 2017 Legislative Day); March 6, 2017; March 20, 2017; April 3, 2017; and May 1, 2017.