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MABE Past President Appointed to State Board of Education

Annapolis, May 17, 2018 - Governor Larry Hogan today announced that Warner Sumpter, Chair of the Somerset County Board of Education until yesterday, has been appointed to the Maryland State Board of Education. [News Article](#) (WMDT)

Sumpter has been an advocate for Maryland public education for nine years. He has been a member of the member of the Somerset County Board of Education since 2009 and has served as its chair since 2015. He has been active member of MABE, serving on the Board of Directors as well as the Association's Secretary President-Elect and President, from 2013 to 2018. Between 2014 and 2018, Sumpter served on a variety of committees, including the Legislative and Budget committees in addition to MABE's ad hoc committee on school funding adequacy. He also chaired the Association's Nominating Committee and served as MABE's representative on the 21st Century School Facilities Commission (the Knott Commission).

Sumpter will begin his service on the State Board of Education on Tuesday, May 22nd.

MABE President Charles McDaniels stated, "MABE recognizes that Warner Sumpter has been an outspoken and progressive advocate for students throughout Maryland for many years. His leadership as president of MABE brought about important changes, and increased participation in our organization. We are excited about his appointment to the state board and wish him well in his efforts to enhance the educational experience for students, teachers, and administrators in Maryland."

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