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JOLENE MOSLEY OF HOWARD COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD NAMED PRESIDENT OF MARYLAND ASSOCIATION OF BOARDS OF EDUCATION

New 2026-2027 Board of Directors Named by Statewide Association MABE

Annapolis – Jolene Mosley **(Howard County)** was sworn in October 19 as the new president of the Maryland Association of Boards of Education (MABE). The statewide association, a leading advocate for public education in Maryland since 1957, is comprised of all 24 local boards of education throughout the state. Mosley, sworn in during MABE's Annual Conference, held October 19-20 in Annapolis, assumes the association presidency following the 2025-2026 term of MABE President Diana Hawley, who serves on the Cecil County Board of Education.

Howard County's Jolene Mosley, new president of the Maryland Association of Boards of Education (MABE)

Also sworn in this week during MABE's Annual Conference were the association's newly elected officers and board of directors. MABE President-Elect for the coming year is Joanna Bache Tobin **(Anne Arundel County);** the association's new Treasurer is Robert Salley (**Baltimore City**); and its new Secretary is Rodney Glotfelty (**Garrett County**).

The association's incoming board of directors is comprised of 12 additional board members from throughout Maryland: Emily Ames-Messinger (**Baltimore City**); Dianne Heath (**Cecil County**); Nicole Kreamer (**Charles County**); Dean Rose (**Frederick County**); Jane Wildesen (**Garrett County**); Jennifer Swickard Mallo (**Howard County**); Laura McKenzie (**Kent County**); Grace Rivera Oven (**Montgomery County**); Zakyia Goins-McCants (**Prince George's County**); Shannon Bent (**Queen Anne's County**); Cathy Allen (**St. Mary's County**); and Jon Andes (**Worcester County**).

MABE's President Mosley has served as a member of MABE's board of directors for several years, and is alternate director of MABE's Legal Services Association (LSA) for Howard County. In addition, she served as MABE's representative on the Maryland State Department of Education's Maryland School Calendar and Instructional Requirements Workgroup, convened in spring 2026.

In part due to her four children's Howard County public schooling, Mosley's ties to her community run deep. She has been an active Howard County resident for nearly three decades, and has served the Howard County Public School System (HCPSS) for several years, including in her continuing role as a member of the Howard County Board of Education (District 3).

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“During her school board tenure and her time on MABE’s board of directors, Jolene has been keenly aware of the needs and potential of all students, including vulnerable student populations,” noted MABE Executive Director Joe Goetz.

“Given MABE’s vision to champion excellence in public education for all Maryland students, it’s particularly fitting how in her school board work Jolene has worked to support the creation of policies to support funding formulas aligned with school demographic-based needs,” Goetz added. “Her abilities and her efforts alongside her school board colleagues have helped concretely ensure public school students’ graduation. In light of her lengthy experience in the public education world and passion for student success, MABE will be fortunate to have Jolene at the helm this coming year.”

Mosley also has served in roles on the Howard County Board of Education’s Audit Committee, HCPSS Operating Budget Review Committee (OBRC), and Policy Development Committee. In addition, she serves on the County Executive’s Spending Affordability Committee and Special Education Community Advisory Committee. She was the first vice chair for the Community Advisory Council (CAC), and was a representative for the G/T Parent Academy; Howard County Parents of School Music (HCPSM); and Oakland Mills Community Association (OMCA) Education Committee. She also coached the community’s First Lego League (FLL) team.

A graduate of the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, where she earned her Bachelor of Science degrees in mathematics and economics, Mosley currently is employed as a Senior Data Scientist, a role in which she programs and creates data models in work for both public and private arenas. Her professional background and longtime active role with Howard County public schools lend valuable evidence-based, decision-making abilities to her public education-related roles.

Nearly 200 participants attended MABE Annual Conference this year when MABE’s new leadership was sworn in, including school board members and leaders, superintendents, agency officials, and other key education stakeholders from throughout the state.

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About MABE:
Founded in 1957, The Maryland Association of Boards of Education is a private, non-profit organization dedicated to serving and supporting boards of education in Maryland. MABE is a leading advocate for public education in the state. All 24 Maryland boards of education are members of MABE.