Board Members present included Mr. Tom Woods, Board President; Mrs. Monica Rinker, Board Vice President; and Board Members: Mr. Rodney Glotfelty, Dr. Matthew Paugh, and Mrs. Charlotte Sebold. Also present for the meeting: Ms. Barbara Baker, Secretary -Treasurer / Superintendent of Schools; Mrs. Karen DeVore, Executive Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Administration; Dr. Jane Wildesen, Director of Human Resources and Employee Relations; Mrs. Alison Sweitzer, Director of Finance; Mr. Richard Wesolowski, Director of Facilities, Maintenance, Operations, Facilities, and Transportation; Mrs. Penny Proudfoot, Director of Elementary Education; Dr. Chelsie Manges, Interim Director of Special Education; Dr. Phil Lauver, Supervisor of Pupil Services; and Mrs. Rebecca Aiken, Nurse Manager.

The meeting was held at Central Office in the Board Room.

1. Opening

A. Call to Order
Mr. Tom Woods, Board President, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. Budget Work Session

A. Operating Budget Discussion
Ms. Barbara Baker, Superintendent, discussed the process for preparing the FY2021 Operating Budget. Ms. Baker stated her Cabinet members and LEAD team meet with principals in a series of meetings focusing on the school needs and/or department needs that support each school.

Ms. Baker stated the requests are prioritized based upon the Board of Education goals and values; alignment with feedback from the Board regarding their priorities; the superintendent's budget initiatives; academic and behavioral data from each school; legislative and compliance considerations; and enrollment trends.

Ms. Baker stated the goal of the budget work session was to receive feedback from the Board to ensure its priorities are incorporated in the draft FY2021 budget. Ms. Baker also stated that her first priority for the budget would be to focus on the behavior needs of all students. The Board requested that student achievement also be a top priority for the budget.

B. FY 2021 Estimated Revenue Projections
Ms. Sweitzer spoke about the estimated revenues for the FY2021 Operating Budget. She presented a summary of major state aid programs and is categorized by the following programs:

- Foundation Program
- Compensatory Education
- Special Education Formula
- Transportation
- Limited Education
- Supplemental Grant
- NTI Adjustment
- Hold Harmless

Ms. Sweitzer also spoke about The Blueprint for Maryland’s Future, also known as Kirwan Commission, and presented the estimated revenues from this initiative. For FY2021 draft calculations are $1.3 million for declining enrollment, a mental health coordinator, students with disabilities grant, supplemental pre-kindergarten, teacher salary incentive grant and transitional supplemental instruction.

C. Board Identification of Priorities for FY2020-21

The Board shared its budget priorities for the 2020-21 school year. Priorities discussed included:

- Academic achievement
- School security and safety
- Capital needs as addressed in the final Strategic Facilities Committee final report including Southern Middle School and Broad Ford Elementary facilities.

The Board also asked for more data regarding the Rachel's Challenge program and discipline and behavioral issues in the schools to support any new positions. The Board inquired about the raising field trip costs, IT programs, and the Striving Readers Grant which will end this year. Board members also inquired about the state climate survey results to ensure any negative findings are addressed in the budget.

3. Adjournment

Rodney Glotfelty made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Charlotte Sebold seconded the motion. Final Resolution: Motion Carries; Yea: Monica Rinker, Rodney Glotfelty, Charlotte Sebold, Matthew Paugh

The meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.