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§3–108.1.

(a) In this section, “board” means the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners of the Baltimore City Public School System.

(b) There is a Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners of the Baltimore City Public School System.

(c) The board consists of:

(1) Nine voting members jointly appointed by the Mayor of Baltimore City and the Governor from a list of qualified individuals submitted to the Mayor and the Governor by the State Board; and

(2) One voting student member appointed as provided in subsection (o) of this section.

(d) Each member of the board shall be a resident of Baltimore City.

(e) To the extent practicable, the membership of the board shall reflect the demographic composition of Baltimore City.

(f) At least four of the voting members shall possess a high level of knowledge and expertise concerning the successful administration of a large business, nonprofit, or governmental entity and shall have served in a high level management position within such an entity.

(g) At least three of the voting members shall possess a high level of knowledge and expertise concerning education.

(h) At least one voting member shall be a parent of a student enrolled in the Baltimore City Public School System as of the date of appointment of the member.

(i) (1) Among the nine voting members, at least one member shall also possess knowledge or experience in the education of children with disabilities.

(2) The knowledge or experience may be derived from being the parent of a child with a disability.

(j) (1) The term of a voting member is 3 years.

(2) The terms of the voting members are staggered as required by the terms provided for members of the board on June 1, 1997.

(3) At the end of a term, a voting member continues to serve until a

successor is appointed and qualifies.

(4) A voting member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only for the remainder of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

(5) A voting member may not serve more than two consecutive full terms.

(6) To the extent practicable, the Governor and the Mayor shall fill any vacancy on the board within 60 days of the date of the vacancy from a list of qualified individuals submitted to the Mayor and the Governor by the State Board.

(k) On the joint approval of the Mayor of Baltimore City and the Governor, a member may be removed only for cause in accordance with § 3-108 of this subtitle.

(l) Each member of the board serves without compensation.

(m) On appointment of the board, the Governor and the Mayor shall jointly select one of the voting members to serve as the chairman of the board who shall serve through June 30, 1999.

(n) Beginning on July 1, 1999 and every 2 years thereafter, from among its voting members the board shall elect a chairman.

(o) (1) One student member shall be a student enrolled in the Baltimore City Public School System who shall be selected by the Associated Student Congress of Baltimore City.

(2) The term of a student member is 1 year.

(3) A student member may not serve more than two consecutive full terms.

(4) The student member may vote on all matters before the board except those relating to:

(i) Personnel;

(ii) Capital and operating budgets;

(iii) School closings, reopenings, and boundaries;

(iv) Collective bargaining decisions;

(v) Student disciplinary matters; and

(vi) Appeals to the board as provided under §§ 4-205 and 6-202 of this article.

(5) The student member may not attend or participate in an executive or special session of the board.

(p) Any action by the board shall require:

(1) A quorum of a majority of the voting members then serving; and

(2) The affirmative vote of a majority of the voting members then serving.

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