

PTA Council of Howard County (PTACHC)

Motions passed at General Meeting of Delegates, April 1, 2019

- Concerning [CB17-2019](#): An Act altering the number of consecutive years a project or phase of a project must be retested each time the County Council adopts new annual housing unit allocations and school capacity charts under the school capacity test of the Adequate Public Facilities Act of Howard County. Audience: Howard County Executive and Council.
Note: this Act is pending a vote on June 3rd.

PTACHC supports passage of CB17-2019 to alter the number of years schools must be retested from 4 years to 7 years. By passing this vote, we are saying that 4 years is not enough time for our schools to recover needed capacity to allow increases in housing construction.

- Concerning [CR49-2019](#) (Mission Road Developer acquisition). Audience: Howard County Executive and Council. Note: CR49-2019 was approved with amendments on May 6th.

Move that PTACHC take a position in concern of CR49-2019 that the County should continue to pursue acquisition of the Mission Road site for High School #13 without the 25 years of allowances to the developer to operate without appropriate regulations and restrictions that are related to the health and safety of the citizens of Howard County and the children at the adjacent school.

- Concerning School bus red light monitoring cameras (see first motion in May 6th list)

Move that PTACHC send to the County Council a letter preemptively supporting the creation and passing of legislation that will further the goal of placing red light cameras on school buses.

Motions passed at General Meeting of Delegates, May 6, 2019

- Concerning the proposed [CB18-2019](#) (follow on from motion passed at April meeting). Audience: Howard County Executive and Council.

PTACHC would like to continue our support for School Bus Monitoring Cameras now filed under CB18-2019. We would like to see an amendment where the excess revenue of the fines, once the initial costs are paid, are to be directed to student transportation and student safety.

- Concerning the 2019-2020 Class Size targets/HCPSS Budget. Intended audience: Howard County Executive, Council and Board of Education

PTACHC opposes any increases in class sizes and would like to see the Board of Education move toward the target class sizes as stated on the current HCPSS website.

- Concerning the 2019-2020 HCPSS Budget. Intended audience: Howard County Executive and Council.

PTACHC requests that the County Council increase funding to the school system at a minimum to cover negotiated salary increases, to fully fund the Health fund, and to provide enough funding for staff and resources needed for expected enrollment growth so that class sizes do not increase

- Concerning the proposed National PTA, individual member dues increase [Link to National PTA Proposal](#). Intended audience: Maryland PTA.

PTACHC does not support the \$1.50 National PTA dues increase. We request that MD PTA not support this increase at the National PTA Convention." Position to be communicated to the State PTA.