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HEARING NOTES

Legislative Oversight: LO21-0003

Budget Briefing – Baltimore City Public School (BCPS)
Fiscal Year 2022 – 1st Quarter Projection

Committee: Ways and Means
Chaired by: Councilman Eric T. Costello
Hearing Date: Tuesday, November 9, 2021
Time (Beginning): 12:40 PM
Time (Ending): 12:55 PM
Location: Virtual "WebEx" Meeting
Total Attendance: Approximately 35

Committee Members in Attendance:

Eric T. Costello Kristerfer Burnett
Robert Stokes, Sr. Ryan Dorsey
Danielle McCray Sharon Green Middleton
Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer

Table with 3 columns: Question, yes, no, n/a. Rows include Bill Synopsis in the file?, Attendance sheet in the file?, Agency reports read?, Video or audio-digitally recorded?, Certification of advertising/posting notices in the file?, Evidence of notification to property owners?, Final vote taken at this hearing?.

This legislative oversight will remain open throughout the legislative term; no vote will be taken; quarterly budget hearings.

Major Speakers
(This is not an attendance record.)

- Courtenay Desabaye, Acting Budget Director, BCPS

Major Issues Discussed

1. The Acting Budget Director gave a PowerPoint presentation. **A copy is on file.**
  2. Committee/council members asked questions, stated concerns and made comments. Some highlighted topics of discussion and/or concern were:
    - Utilities
      - Do each school pay their utility costs or are all utility bills paid through the Central office? **Answer: Through the Central Office**
    - Projection
      - Does this projection include federal funds? **Answer: No, the projection is for general funds only**
    - School Maintenance
      - Have you looked at how much each school needs for maintenance and/or for upkeep?
      - School maintenance and upkeep is of concern
      - **Requested by Member Stokes: Provide a list of each school's maintenance budget. Answer: Will connect you with our Chief Financial Officer**
  3. Hearing called to recess.
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### Further Study

Was further study requested?

Yes  No

If yes, describe.

1. See "yellow highlights" above.
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*Marguerite M. Currin*  
Marguerite M. Currin, Committee Staff

Date: November 17, 2021

cc: Bill File  
OCS Electronic File



## Baltimore City Council Committee Hearing Attendance Record

<b>Subject:</b> <span style="background-color: yellow;">Legislative Oversight</span> – Budget Briefing – BCPS – <span style="color: red;">1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Projection</span>	<b>Bill #:</b> LO21-0003
<b>Committee:</b> Ways and Means	<b>Chair:</b> Eric T. Costello
<b>Date:</b> <span style="background-color: yellow;">Tuesday, November 9, 2021</span>	<b>Time:</b> 11:00 AM
<b>Location:</b> <span style="color: red;">Virtual "WebEx" Meeting</span>	

<b>PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY</b>			What is your position on this bill?		Lobbyist: Are you registered in the City?*		
<b><u>CHECK HERE TO TESTIFY</u></b>							
First Name	Last Name	Address / Organization / Email	<b><u>Testify</u></b>	For	Against	Yes	No
John	Doe	400 N. Holliday St. Johndoenbmore@yahoo.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
		<i>See hearing notes</i>					

\*NOTE: IF YOU ARE COMPENSATED OR INCUR EXPENSES IN CONNECTION WITH THIS BILL, YOU MAY BE REQUIRED BY LAW TO REGISTER WITH THE CITY ETHICS BOARD AS A LOBBYIST. REGISTRATION CAN BE DONE ONLINE AND IS A SIMPLE PROCESS. FOR INFORMATION VISIT: [HTTPS://ETHICS.BALTIMORECITY.GOV/](https://ethics.baltimorecity.gov/) OR CALL: 410-396-4730

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City Council  
City Hall, Room 408  
100 North Holliday Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

## Meeting Minutes - Final

### Ways and Means

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Tuesday, November 9, 2021

11:00 AM Virtual Webex Hearing: 1797145443@bmore.webex.com,  
Access Code: 179 714 5443, Password: Public, Link:  
[https://bmore.webex.com/bmore/onstage/g.php?](https://bmore.webex.com/bmore/onstage/g.php?MTID=e0c5433bccd9f1a9733ec7eb048172e83)  
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Legislative Oversight: LO21-0003  
Baltimore City Public School System - 1st Quarter Projection  
Rescheduled from 10:30 a.m  
CHARM TV 25

#### CALL TO ORDER

#### INTRODUCTIONS

#### ATTENDANCE

Present 7 - Eric T. Costello, Kristerfer Burnett, Ryan Dorsey, Danielle N. McCray, Sharon Green Middleton, Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer, and Robert Stokes Sr.

#### ITEM SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING

***LO21-0003 - For the purpose of calling on regular budget oversight hearings for Baltimore City Public Schools to improve transparency and accountability in the allocation of over a billion dollars in public funding for the vital task of educating Baltimore's children.***

Hearing recessed.

#### ADJOURNMENT