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MCCPTA CIP Committee Report

Chair: Steve Augustino

On October 28, 2008, the Superintendent released his proposed FY 2010 Capital Budget and Amendments to the FY 2009-14 Capital Improvement Program (“Recommendation”). The Recommendation proposes a FY 2010 budget of \$200 million and amendments that increase the six-year CIP by \$15 million.

In preparation for cluster testimony on the Recommendation, the Committee co-hosted a CIP Forum with the MCPS Division of Construction on November 3 and a CIP Testimony Workshop on November 8.

MCCPTA and each cluster gave testimony on November 12 and 13, 2008. On November 20, the Board of Education approved the Recommendation with minor clarifications and instructions.

Also, the Committee produced a Guide to the 2010 CIP, which was distributed to the MCCPTA Board of Directors. This Guide will provide background for future discussions concerning the elements that comprise the CIP. In coming months, the Committee will work with the VP Legislation and VP Educational Issues to lobby for state and local funding for the CIP. The Committee also is exploring opportunities to testify in Annapolis in support of state construction funding.