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MEMORANDUM FOR THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Subject: Proposed revisions to Policy BFA, Policysetting

The Education Committee of the Montgomery County Civic Federation has reviewed the proposed policy revision and offers the following comments/suggestions. All references are to the line numbers in the pdf document posted to the MCPS website.

Lines 40-43: This sentence is largely redundant and should be eliminated, because the duplication seems to suggest a pressing need to restrict applicability of the process of setting policies.

Line 54ff: Item b) logically should precede item a) and thus should begin on line 47.

Line 60: We suggest rewording to "The Committee, the Superintendent (or the Superintendent's designee), and appropriate staff"

Line 99: We suggest insertion of a new item here (and renumbering accordingly).

"(2) Provides a mechanism to inform the public of the proposed policy."

Line 106: Item (4) should read "Provides opportunity for the superintendent to make additional recommendations."

We would be happy to clarify these suggestions, and we thank you for your consideration of them.

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