



# Howard County Board of Appeals

George Howard Building  
3430 Court House Drive  
Ellicott City, Maryland 21043-4392

## MINUTES

November 7, 2023

### BA 22-023C&V – Maryland International School, Inc. Hybrid Hearing (Banneker Room and Webex)

#### Board Members Present:

Steve Hunt, Chair  
Gene Ryan, Vice Chair  
Lynn Foehrkolb  
Felita Phillips  
Jean Xu

#### Staff:

Kel Berg  
Kiasten Miller  
Amankaya Montero Carranza  
Barry Sanders

Call to order at: 6:43 p.m.

#### Administrative Matters

Approval of Minutes – October 3, 2023  
Motion – Lynn Foehrkolb, 2<sup>nd</sup> Felita Phillips  
*Unanimously approved. The motion passed.*

Approval of Minutes – October 30, 2023  
Motion – Felita Phillips, 2<sup>nd</sup> Gene Ryan  
*Yea: Board Members Hunt, Phillips and Ryan.  
Approved 3-0. The motion passed.*

(Only the members in attendance of that meeting partook in the vote)

#### BA 22-023C&V – Maryland International School, Inc.

Appealing Hearing Examiner D&O dated June 23, 2023. Conditional Use & Residential Variance Petition request for Expansion of an existing conditional use (BA 00-15E; BA 15- 013C) to include building, three additional structures, and the relocation of a 5,000 sq. ft. playground. Variance request to increase the maximum

height limitation for a principal structure by 11.09' to a maximum height of 51.24' (6135 Old Washington Road Elkridge, Maryland 21075)

All members present confirmed that they completed a site visit of the subject property.

*Preliminary Matter:* Mr. Coale stated that he and Mr. Nelson have agreed on the conduct of the hearing and how they would like to proceed.

Opening statement by Tom Coale, Esquire on behalf of Petitioner.

Opening statement by G. Macy Nelson, Esquire on behalf of Appellant.

**Witnesses for the Petitioner:**

Robert Vogel  
Rose Chow  
Rebekah Ghosh

Direct examination of Robert Vogel by Tom Coale.

**Petitioner Exhibits:**

Exhibit 1 – MDIS Rendered Site Plan (Color Plan)  
Exhibit 2 – MDIS Exhibit to Accompany CU (Black and White Plan)  
Exhibit 3 – MDIS Building and Renovation History  
    (A) Progression of Original School Structure  
    (B) Proposed West Elevation on Old Washington Road  
    (C) December 2022 HPC Hearing Elevation  
    (D) View of Proposed Auditorium and Garage Building (South Elevation)  
    (E) Proposed East Elevation for Montessori Building  
    (F) Site Cross-Sections

Cross-examination of Mr. Vogel by G. Macy Nelson.

Board member questions for Mr. Vogel.

**Recess**

Direct examination of Rose Chow by Tom Coale.

Cross-examination of Ms. Chow by G. Macy Nelson.

Board member questions for Ms. Chow.

Direct examination of Rebekah Ghosh by Tom Coale.

Cross-examination of Ms. Ghosh by G. Macy Nelson.


Board member questions for Ms. Ghosh.

End of Petitioner's case.

The next hearing date to continue the case is TBD.

The Board adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

**MINUTES APPROVED**

 12/5/2023