

County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2026 Legislative Session

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RESOLUTION NO. 156 - 2026

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short Title: Reappointment – Joseph Dymek – Howard County Agricultural Preservation Board

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Joseph Dymek to the Howard County Agricultural Preservation Board.

Introduced and read first time on Sep 8, 2026.

By order Michelle Harrod
Michelle Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

Read for a second time and a public hearing held on Sep 22, 2026.

By order Michelle Harrod
Michelle Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted ✓, Adopted with amendments __, Failed __, Withdrawn __ by the County Council on Oct 5, 2026.

Certified by Michelle Harrod
Michelle Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing language; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing language. ~~Strike-out~~ indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment.

WHEREAS, Section 404 of the Howard County Charter and Section 6.300 of the Howard County Code provide for the County Executive to appoint and for the County Council to confirm nominees to Howard County Boards and Commissions created by law; and

WHEREAS, Sections 6.314 and 15.518 of the Howard County Code provide for an Agricultural Preservation Board in Howard County; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive has proposed the reappointment of Joseph Dymek as a member of the Howard County Agricultural Preservation Board; and

WHEREAS, the County Council ratifies the County Executive's special trust and confidence in the abilities of the nominee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland this 5 day of October, 2026 that the following person is reappointed as a member of the Howard County Agricultural Preservation Board to serve from the passage of this Resolution to October 5, 2029 or until a successor is appointed and confirmed:

Joseph Dymek
Ellicott City, Maryland

Resume
Joseph John Dymek

EDUCATION

1992-1994 M.Ed., in Guidance and Counseling, Loyola College, Baltimore, Maryland
1984-1986 Advance graduate work in Administration and Vocational Education, University of Maryland College Park
1975-1977 M.S. in Horticulture, Minor in Education
University of Maryland College Park
1973-1975 B.S. in plant and Soil Science, Minor in Education,
University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Massachusetts
1971-1973 A.S. in Floriculture, Stockbridge School of Agriculture, Amherst, Massachusetts

WORK EXPERIENCE

2014-2015 Assistant Principal, River Hill High School
2006-2014 Assistant Principal, Hammond High School
2001-2006 Assistant Principal, Patuxent Valley Middle School
2003 Principal, Comprehensive Middle Summer School
1995-2001 Guidance Counselor Burleigh Manor Middle School
1978-1995 Horticulture Instructor, Howard Vocational Technical Center
1977-1978 Horticulture Education Specialist, University of Maryland College Park

PRIMARY GAINS

- Agricultural Science Education Advocate
- Successful Assistant Principal experience
- Administered the Comprehensive Summer School Program
- Developed and implemented a middle school guidance program
- Taught in a nationally recognized award winning horticulture program
- Administered the Howard County Evening High School Program

SECONDARY GAINS

- Agricultural advocate - Maryland Agricultural Education Foundation: 2015-Present, President 2018 - Present; Maryland Agriculture Commission: 2021-Present; Maryland 4-H Foundation, 2018 - Present; Howard County Agricultural Science Education Committee Chairperson: 2018 - Present; Howard County CTE Local Advisory Council, 2019 - Present; Howard County Farm Bureau, Maryland Farm Bureau
- Special Education Administrator, DQIE Team, School Improvement Team, Accountability Coordinator, Master Scheduler, Crisis Intervention Team Administrator, Building Use Scheduler, Transition Committee, Operations Chief of Emergency Response Team, Crisis Manual Writing Committee, Student Service Learning Coordinator
- MASSP AP Conference Committee, Assistant Principals Academy, Presenter at PVMS Family Night, Developed Middle School Programs on: Peer Mediation, Peer Tutoring, Sexual Incidence, Middle and High School Articulation, Coordinated Evening Programs on Study Skills, Bullying and Violence Prevention Workshops
- Former Member/Member and Chairperson of Howard County Agricultural Land Preservation Board, Board of Directors of the Howard County Fair, St. Paul's Lutheran Church: Church Council President and Vice President, Worship and Music Committee Chairperson

HONORS

Howard County Advocate for Special Education Award, Award of Excellence: Howard County Chamber of Commerce, MSDE Career and Technology Education Award, MSDE Outstanding Curriculum Award, Honorary Maryland FFA Agriculturist Award, National Agricultural Education Teacher Award