

# News Release: DISTRICT 5 BOARD MEMBER ELECTED AS PRESIDENT OF MABE

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**UPPER MARLBORO, MD** – Prince George’s County Board of Education Member for District 5, Verjeana M. Jacobs, Esq., was elected as President of the Board of Directors for the Maryland Association of Boards of Education (MABE).

MABE, a private non-profit organization, is the voice for public education and dedicated to serving and supporting boards of education in Maryland. Founded in 1957, the role of MABE is to support local school boards through advocating for school board governance as the cornerstone of excellence and equity in public education. MABE is the leading advocate for public education in the state.

All 24 school districts in Maryland are MABE members. MABE’s key areas of focus this year will include advocacy around Maryland College and Career Readiness Standards, PARCC implementation, school construction funding and monitoring adequacy funding study.

“I am honored to be elected as President of MABE, and I am looking forward to an energizing, inspiring, and meaningful year in this leadership role,” said Jacobs. “MABE serves boards and boards serve children. This position will enable me to share the stories of our school district, while creating collaborative relationships to expand opportunities for students and ensure equity in public education for the students of Prince George’s County Public Schools and throughout the state of Maryland.”

Jacobs served as Chair of the Board of Education for Prince George’s County Public Schools from December 2007 through May 2013. She was elected to an at-large seat on the Board of Education in November 2006, and has represented District 5 since 2010. Jacobs first joined MABE in 2012, and was elected as Secretary to the Board of Directors that year.

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