

Today, Friday March 10, 2006, a meeting was held at Poolesville High School to discuss indoor air quality concerns.

In attendance at the meeting were the following community, school, and system representatives: Dr. LaVerne Kimball, Community Superintendent; Mr. Richard Hawes, Director of Facilities Management; Mr. Sean Yarup, Environmental Safety Coordinator; Mr. Richard Cox, Environmental Safety Coordinator; Mr. James Bailey, Mechanical Engineer for Building Dynamics, LLC; Mr. Michael Clouse, Construction Specialist; Mr. Bruce Grey, HVAC Specialist; Mr. Michael Young, PHS parent; Ms Lynne Rolls, community member; Ms. Benie King, Business Manager; and Miss Deena Levine, PHS Principal.

Mr. Hawes shared past actions MCPS has taken (2002-2006) to address the mold and air quality concerns at the high school. MCPS has contracted an outside consulting company to investigate air quality concerns at PHS. The consultant's report should be completed by the end of April with recommendations for next steps. Mr. Young outlined a proposal to have another group of independent contractors conduct a simultaneous study which will also conclude at the end of April. Both studies will be used by MCPS to develop a plan of action. All appropriate corrective actions will be made by MCPS.

All participants have the same shared interests. All agreed that the indoor air quality for the students and staff at PHS is a top priority.