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New members appointed to Baltimore County Board of Education

TOWSON, MD. – Governor Martin O'Malley has appointed three new members and reappointed one existing member to the Board of Education for Baltimore County Public Schools.

Marisol A. Johnson, Edward J. Gilliss and Jonathan P. Galla are new appointees who will serve on the board beginning this summer. Johnson and Gilliss will serve five-year terms replacing outgoing members Cornelia Bright Gordon and Valerie Roddy, respectively. Galla, the board's student representative, will serve a one-year term.

Johnson will serve the board as a member at large. She is the owner and CEO of The Johnson Insurance and Financial Service Agency and an active member in the Parent Teacher Association at Summit Park Elementary School. She's also an advisory board member for the Youth Dreamers of Baltimore, a board member for the Druid Heights Community Center and a member of the Baltimore County Chamber of Commerce.

Gilliss will represent Council district five on the board. He is an attorney practicing civil litigation, administrative law and wills and estate administration as a partner with the Royston, Mueller, McLean & Reid firm in Towson. He is the vice chairman of the board for the University of Maryland St. Joseph Medical Center and recently served as chairman of the Baltimore County Planning Board and county attorney for Baltimore County.

Galla is a junior at Hereford High School and a member of the National Honors Society, Mu Alpha Theta (the mathematics honors society) and the Tri-M Honors Society (the music honors society). He plays the violin for a variety of orchestras, including the BCPS All-Honors Orchestra and Side-by-Side with the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra. He is vice president of the Hereford High School Gay-Straight Alliance and treasurer of the school's Student Council.

David Uhlfelder was reappointed to the board for a second five-year term. A member at large, he is a certified public accountant and President of the David Uhlfelder, P.A. accounting and management consulting firm.

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