



newsletter

2025 MEETING SCHEDULE

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, all ABCPSR, Inc. Executive/Advisory and Committee Meetings will be held via conference call until further notice. Meetings begin at 10:00 a.m.

April 14, 2025

Meeting/Conference Call

May 6, 2025

MRSPA Annual Business Meeting/
Luncheon
Turf Valley
Ellicott City

May 20, 2025

ABCPSR Annual Business Meeting/
Brunch
Forum Caterers
4210 Primrose Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215

June, 2025

ABCPSR Executive/Advisory Committee
Closing Activity
TBA

Please call Patricia Pickett, President at 410-900-6781 if you have any questions. If there are any changes, you will be notified.

Check our website: www.ABCPSR.org for updates.

President's Message

Greetings,

Happy New Year!! Hopefully, the cold weather has gone away as we ease into Spring!

On October 14, 2024, ABCPSR, Inc. met at Baltimore Polytechnic Institute for our Annual Fall Business Meeting. A disappointing few members came out for the meeting. A delicious lunch was served and enjoyed by those in attendance. We are hopeful that more members will nominate new members from your old schools or different organizations in which we all participate. Our committees can always use the help, inasmuch as current chairs/members have been serving in these positions for many years. Also, let us know if there are any activities you would like for us to sponsor.

Thank you for the great turnout for our ABCPSR, Inc., 75th Anniversary Celebration Buffet Brunch held at the Forum Caterers on October 20, 2024. Our Past Presidents that were able to attend, received service awards as well as the Executive Board Members. The President received a plaque for her seven years of service in that position. We also received acknowledgement certificates from our friends at all levels of government and the Maryland Retired School Personnel Association (MRSPA). The Honorable Congressman Kweisi Mfume honored us with his attendance. He presented the Congressional citation and offered words of encouragement to the group. The Maryland and Baltimore "Teacher of the Year" Katherine Locke-Jones was recognized as well as Dana Marshall the "ABCPSR 2024 Scholarship" recipient.

We are hoping to sponsor another Senior Health Fair in the fall. Stay on the lookout of our website, ABCPSR.ORG and/or Facebook. Check out the state legislation we support through volunteering with the Maryland Retired School Personnel Association at MRSPA.ORG. We need you to step up. Most meetings are conference calls or Zoom.

Upcoming, on May 20, 2025 at our Annual Spring Business Meeting, we will close out our 75th year with a Brunch Buffet at the Forum Caterers. Our musical guests will be the Charm City Band.

Hope to see you soon,

Patricia E. Pickett



Association of Baltimore City Public School Retirees, ABCPSR 75th Anniversary Celebration

The Forum Caterers

October 20, 2024



J. Edward Boston, ABCPSR Budget & Finance Chair; Congressman Kweisi Mfume; Catherine Moore Deford-Stukes, ABCPSR Liaison to BCPSS; Patrycia Pickett, ABCPSR President; Elizabeth Weller, MRSPA President



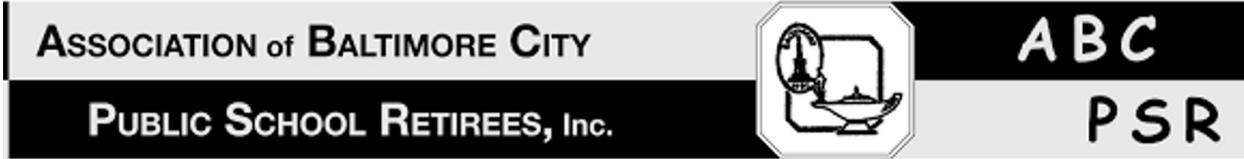
Patrycia Pickett, ABCPSR President



Catherine Moore Deford-Stukes; Patrycia Pickett;
Con. Kweisi MFume; Elizabeth Weller

Having Fun at the ABCPSR 75th Anniversary Celebration!





Annual Spring Business Meeting/Brunch
Tuesday, May 20, 2025

THE FORUM CATERERS
4210 PRIMROSE AVENUE, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21215

11:00 REGISTRATION 11:30 PROGRAM 12:00 NOON BRUNCH

MENU. Chilled Juices, Sliced Seasonal Fruit, Pastries, Scrambled Eggs with Grated Cheddar Cheese, Baked Cinnamon Apples, French Toast, Home Fried Potatoes, Turkey Sausage Links, Crispy Bacon, Southern Style Green Beans, Fried Chicken, Coffee and Speciality Teas. (90 Minute Buffet)

COST: \$45 pp. (\$40 pp for New Members Only)

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: **ASSOCIATION OF BALTIMORE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL RETIREES, INC. or (ABCPSR).** NO CASH OR CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE DOOR. **DEADLINE: MAY 9, 2025.**

Send check(s) with Reservation Form to: **Dorothy Glasco-Jones, 202 Oak Leaf Way, Baltimore, MD 21227, Phone: (410)536-5715.**

NOTE: TO BE SEATED TOGETHER, CHECKS MUST BE SENT TOGETHER.

Contact Name _____ Phone _____
 Name(s)

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NOMINATIONS



ATTENTION!

Nominations are open for the following offices: President-Elect, and two Members-at-Large. These positions are for two years. Nominations are due by April 25, 2025.

President-Elect. The President-Elect shall:

- a. In the absence of the President, perform the duties of the President;
- b. At the end of the President's term of service, succeed to the Presidency.

Nominee: Janet Williams

Members-at-Large. Members-at-Large shall:

- Serve on the Executive Board as representatives of the total membership. As such, they may suggest to the Executive Board actions they consider beneficial to the membership and to the Association, and, on any matters under discussion.

Nominees: Kathleen Cain & Joyce Wilson

During our Annual Spring Luncheon, nominations for these positions will be accepted from the floor on May 20, 2025. Nominations from the floor may be made by any member who has presented to the Chairperson of the Nominating Committee a written statement of the nominee's willingness and eligibility to serve if elected. An election will be held and the new slate of officers will be installed.

Contact: Janet Williams, Chairperson

Phone: (410) 826-3534

Email: janet1984aka@gmail.com

STATE EMERITUS MEMBERSHIP

Any member who will reach 90 years of age on or before June 20, 2025 will become State Emeritus beginning 2025-2026. You may request Emeritus status by notifying MRSPA of your birthdate. Once you become a State Emeritus member you no longer have to pay dues and shall continue to be eligible for all privileges and benefits of MRSPA/ABCPSR membership.

The notification must be made on or before June 1, so appropriate notice can be given to the Maryland State Retirement/Pension System.

Phone: 410-551-1517; Toll Free (877)625-6782

Email: mrspa@mrspa.org

STATE EMERITUS MEMBERS



CONGRATULATIONS!!

Flora Gilchrist Johnson and J. Edward Boston, ABCPSR Executive Board Members, have attained Emeritus Status.



Sadly, we announce that Carolyn Boston, Past President of ABCPSR, Inc. has transitioned. Carolyn also served for many years as an Editor for our Newsletter. Rest in Peace.

ASSOCIATION OF BALTIMORE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL RETIREES, INC. ABCPSR

Help us to provide activities that will keep us together in friendship and service.
We would appreciate you responding to this survey.

What is your age group? 60-70 70-80 80 above

How long have you been retired? 10-20 years
 20-30 years 30+ years

Other than our membership luncheons, please indicate the activities listed that you would like to see ABCPSR provide. (check all that apply)

Shopping Trips Local Theatre Cruises (Caribbean)

Book Club Tours Card Party Broadway Shows

Holiday Activities Fun Day Activities Happy Hour

Other (specify) _____

Would you be willing to serve on the Trips & Activities Planning Committee?
 Y or N. If yes, please provide contact information.

Name _____ Phone _____

Cell _____ Home _____

Email _____

Please send to Joyce Bowyer, 8602 Green Lane, Baltimore, Maryland 21244 or musicsing46@verizon.net. You may also bring your response to the Annual Spring Business Meeting on May 20, 2025 at the Forum Caterers.

Thank you for taking time to respond to this survey.

PLEASE RETURN BY MAY 20, 2025.

ASSOCIATION of BALTIMORE CITY

PUBLIC SCHOOL RETIREES, Inc.



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Save the Dates!

ABCPSR Spring Luncheon – The Forum Caterers
May 20, 2025 - 11:00 a.m.

LUNCHEON CO-CHAIRS

DOROTHY GLASCO-JONES JOYCE WILSON

NEWSLETTER CO-EDITORS

ANNA BOSTON JOYCE WILSON

CHANGE OF ADDRESS NOTICE

(Please Print)

Your Name _____

Previous Address _____

New Address _____

Mail to: Angela Hill, 3320 W. Rogers Ave., Baltimore, MD 21215

MRSPA

The only organization that works to preserve the pensions of Baltimore City Public School Retirees. Sixty dollars (\$60.00) covers your membership in MRSPA and ABCPSR.

You may join through dues deduction.

MRSPA: 8379 Piney Orchard Parkway, Odenton, MD 21113
410-551-1517

Current ABCPSR President's contact number: 410-900-6781



RSVP – An Invitation to Serve

Lead With Experience

The Corporation for National and Community Service provides grants to qualified agencies and organizations, including RSVP, for the dual purpose of engaging persons 55 and older in volunteer service to meet critical community needs; and to provide a high quality experience that will enrich the lives of volunteers.

Who Is Eligible for RSVP?

Individuals that are 55 and older, want to serve in Baltimore City and want to make a difference.

RSVP Volunteer Opportunities

Companionship and Outreach, Mentoring, Health and Other Education, Helping Seniors Living Independently, Senior Center Programs, Community Revitalization and Improvement, Disaster Preparedness, Serving Meals to Seniors, Delivery of Health Care Services, Food Collection and Distribution, and Marketing and Recruitment.

Benefits of Volunteering

Free volunteer placement, use your experience skills, gain new and marketable skills, supplemental accident and liability insurance, opportunity to meet new people, training opportunities, reimbursement for transportation, recognition and incentives, and the satisfaction of knowing you are making a difference.

**For More Information, Call RSVP 410-361-9400
or Stephanie Ross 410-361-9401**

