

appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate, for six-year terms. In Baltimore City, the board is to be appointed by the Mayor and the City Council. Each board must include one member of the Board of Education or the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners, except in Prince George's County where the Board of Trustees appoints one of its members to serve as liaison to the Board of Education. Each Board selects its own officers.

The State Board for Community Colleges establishes general policies for the operations of the State's community colleges. In addition, it conducts studies on the problems of community college education, assists the colleges in providing expert professional advice in all areas of their activities, reviews and advises upon all curriculum proposals for newly established community colleges and for proposed major additions to or modifications of programs in existing community colleges, and recommends, reviews, and advises upon proposals for the establishment of new community colleges. The Board also coordinates relationships among the community colleges to assure the widest possible educational opportunities for the students of the State and the most efficient use of funds, facilitates the transfer of students between the community colleges and the University of Maryland, the State Colleges, and other institutions of higher education, coordinates relationships between the community colleges and the State and local public school systems and the private high schools in order to facilitate cooperation with them in guidance and admission of students to the community colleges and arranges for the most advantageous use of facilities. The Board establishes and maintains a system of information and accounting of community college activities, provides grants-in-aid for the prompt and adequate planning of new colleges and new programs in existing colleges, administers the State's program of support for the community colleges, assists and represents the community colleges in seeking and administering Federal funds available to them, assists the Council on Higher Education in its investigation of needs throughout the State and in its preparation of plans and recommendations for the establishment and location of new facilities and programs relating to community colleges.

During the 1972-1973 Fiscal Year, there were fifteen community colleges and one regional community college in operation. Through the various programs and course offerings at the colleges, an average total of 52,264 full-time equivalent students were served.

The State Board for Community Colleges submits an annual report in January of each year to the Governor and the members of the General Assembly which includes a summary of the Board's major activities for the preceding year together with a financial statement and other statistical data pertaining to the community colleges. The Board also publishes a brochure for distribution throughout the State entitled "Maryland Community Colleges." This brochure provides prospective college students with information concerning curricula offered at the colleges (Code 1957, 1969 Repl. Vol., Art. 77, secs. 300-305).

Appropriations	1973	1974
State Board for Community Colleges Operating Budget	\$ 242,889	\$ 226,451
State Aid to Community Colleges	26,564,180	30,564,180
Staff: 11.		