

AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING THE ANNUAL BUDGET.

~~(4)~~ Advise and assist the superintendent with respect to hospital facilities and staffing.

~~(5)~~ (4) Assume leadership in developing community understanding of the needs of the chronically ill.

~~(6)~~ (5) Carry out such other responsibilities as may be requested by the superintendent of the hospital.

~~(7)~~ (6) Submit an annual report to the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene regarding the needs of the chronically ill and to the extent that the hospital is meeting these needs.

Article 59

32A.

(a) Each public facility EXCEPT THE MARYLAND PSYCHIATRIC RESEARCH CENTER shall have a board of visitors CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD consisting of seven (7) members appointed by the Governor FROM AMONG NAMES SUBMITTED BY THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE, one of whom shall be appointed temporary chairman.

(b) Members of the board shall be citizens of the State who are RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY OR CITY OF BALTIMORE, AS THE CASE MAY BE, IN THE REGION SERVED BY EACH SUCH FACILITY, WHO ARE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COMMUNITY AND WHO ARE known for their interest in civic and public affairs and for their concern about the care of the mentally ill AND MENTALLY RETARDED.

(c) Of the Board members initially appointed, three members shall have terms of one, two and three years, respectively, and four members shall serve terms of four years, all dating from July 1, 1972. Board members appointed thereafter shall serve terms of four years. No member shall serve more than two consecutive full terms. Vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term in the same manner as the original appointment.

(d) The members of the board shall serve without compensation.

(e) For purposes of organization, the board shall hold its first meeting no later than thirty (30) days after the appointment of the membership, at which time it shall elect a chairman from among its members. It may elect such other officers as it deems necessary, determine the time and place of meetings, and establish all necessary rules and regulations for the conduct of meetings; provided that the board shall hold regular meetings no less than four times each year.

(f) Each board of visitors has CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD SHALL SERVE IN AN ADVISORY CAPACITY WITH the following duties and responsibilities:

(1) ~~Assist~~ ADVISE the superintendent in the determination of the goals of the public facility and ASSIST in the evaluation of ~~progress towards~~ THE ACHIEVEMENT OF such goals.

~~(2)~~ Advise and assist the superintendent with respect to all policies relating to the operation of the public facility.