

(1) THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BALTIMORE, THE COUNTY EXECUTIVES OF ANNE ARUNDEL, BALTIMORE, HARFORD, AND HOWARD COUNTIES, THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CARROLL COUNTY, AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL SHALL EACH BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD. EACH OF THESE OFFICERS MAY NOMINATE, CONSTITUTE, AND APPOINT A PERMANENT ALTERNATE TO SERVE IN THE ABSENCE OF THAT MEMBER. THESE OFFICERS ARE AUTHORIZED BY UNANIMOUS AGREEMENT TO CREATE THIS COMMISSION.

(2) THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT ONE PUBLIC MEMBER TO THE BOARD, AND THIS MEMBER SHALL HAVE AN INTEREST IN THE CULTURAL ACTIVITIES OF THE REGION AND BE A RESIDENT OF THE REGION.

(3) THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE SHALL APPOINT A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES TO THE BOARD AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE SHALL APPOINT A MEMBER OF THE SENATE TO THE BOARD. BOTH THE DELEGATE AND THE SENATOR SHALL BE REPRESENTATIVES OF LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS WITHIN THE REGION.

(4) THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL SHALL BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD.

(5) THE REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL SHALL SELECT FROM AMONG ITS MEMBERSHIP ONE PERSON WHO SHALL BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD.

(6) THE SECRETARY OF STATE PLANNING, THE SECRETARY OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MARYLAND ARTS COUNCIL, AND THE MEMBERS OF THE REGIONAL CULTURAL ADVISORY COUNCIL SHALL SERVE AS EX OFFICIO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND MAY APPOINT ALTERNATES TO SERVE IN THEIR ABSENCE. AN EX OFFICIO MEMBER DOES NOT HAVE VOTING RIGHTS.

(C) EACH BOARD MEMBER, OTHER THAN THOSE SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (B) (1), SHALL SERVE FOR A TERM OF 4 YEARS. HOWEVER, THE SENATOR AND DELEGATE SHALL INITIALLY SERVE ONLY FOR THE REMAINING PERIOD OF THEIR ELECTIVE TERM OF OFFICE. AFTER THE NEXT ELECTION, THE APPOINTMENT OF A SENATOR AND DELEGATE SHALL BE MADE IN THE ESTABLISHED MANNER AND THE SENATOR AND DELEGATE SHALL SERVE A TERM WHICH COINCIDES WITH THEIR ELECTIVE TERM OF OFFICE.

(D) AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD, THE BOARD SHALL ELECT FROM AMONG ITS MEMBERSHIP A CHAIRPERSON, VICE CHAIRPERSON, AND A SECRETARY-TREASURER. ALL ACTIONS SHALL BE TAKEN BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THOSE VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT AT A MEETING AND EACH MEMBER HAS ONE VOTE. THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE REIMBURSED FOR ACTUAL EXPENSES NECESSARILY INCURRED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR DUTIES; PROVIDED THAT ANY REIMBURSEMENT IS MADE SOLELY FROM FUNDS PROVIDED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THIS SUBTITLE.