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Rockville, Maryland July 27, 1981

The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in regular session at the Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Monday, July 27, 1981, at 8:20 p.m.

ROLL CALL	Present: M	frs. Carol F. Wallace, President in the Chair Mr. Blair G. Ewing Dr. Marian L. Greenblatt* Mr. Jonathan Lipson Mrs. Suzanne K. Peyser Mrs. Elizabeth W. Spencer Mrs. Eleanor D. Zappone
	Absent:	Mr. Joseph R. Barse
0th	ers Present:	Dr. Harry Pitt, Deputy Superintendent acting in the absence of the

superintendent Dr. Robert S. Shaffner, Executive **Assistant**

Mr. Thomas S. Fess, Parliamentarian

Executive Session Re:

Mrs. Wallace announced that the Board had met in executive session from 7:30 to 8:20 p.m. on personnel matters.

Resolution No. 534-81

Approval of Agenda for July 27, Re: 1981

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve its agenda for July 27, 1981, with the addition of a second executive session at 10:30 p. m.

Resolution No. 535-81 Executive Session - July 27, 1981 Re:

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, The Board of Education of Montgomery County is authorized by Article 76A, Section 11(a) of the Annotated Code of Maryland to conduct certain of its meetings in executive closed session; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education of Montgomery County hereby

conduct its meeting in executive closed session beginning on July 27, 1981, at 10:30 p.m. to consult with legal counsel and to comply with a specific constitutional, statutory or judicially imposed requirement protecting particular proceedings or matters from public disclosure as permitted under Article 76A, Section 11(a) and that such meeting shall continue in executive closed session until the completion of business.

* Dr. Greenblatt joined the meeting at a later time.

Resolution No. 536-81 Re: Commendation of Mr. Brian R. Hunt

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Zappone seconded by Mrs. Spencer, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, The United States entered into and won the 22nd International Mathematical Olympiad; and

WHEREAS, It was the United States' second victory in the world's most prestigious math competition for high school students since it began participating in 1974; and

WHEREAS, Four members of the eight-person U.S. team, including 15-year-old Brian R. Hunt, a student at Montgomery Blair High School, achieved perfect scores in the examination which tests problem-solving ability in complicated algebra and geometry; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the members of the Montgomery County Board of Education, and the superintendent and staff of the Montgomery County Public Schools extend to Brian R. Hunt their heartiest congratulations for this excellent achievement; and be it further

Resolved, That Brian R. Hunt be apprised of the honor and pride he brought to the Montgomery County Public Schools through his victory.

Resolution No. 537-81

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Re: Domestic Hot Water Heaters -Various Schools

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On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

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WHEREAS, Sealed bids were received on July 16 to furnish and install domestic hot water heaters at Gaithersburg, Rockville, Seneca Valley, Whitman, and Wootton High, Ridgeview Junior High, and Redland Middle Schools, as indicated below:

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and,

WHEREAS, The low bids are reasonable and the bidder is a reputable contractor and has successfully performed similar projects; and

WHEREAS, Funds are sufficient to award the contract; now therefore be it

Resolved, That a contract be awarded to M & M Welding and Fabricators, Inc., for \$36,900 to furnish and install domestic hot water heaters at Gaithersburg, Rockville, Seneca Valley, Whitman, and Wootton High, Ridgeview Junior High, and Redland Middle Schools, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by Morton Wood, Jr., engineer.

> Re: Inspection Date for Educational Services Center

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The inspection date for Educational Services Center Handicap Modifications was set for Wednesday, July 29, 1981, at 9:30 a.m. Mrs. Spencer will attend.

Resolution No. 538-81 Re: Bid 140-81, Film Inspection and Cleaning Machine

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Mrs. Spencer, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted for the purchase of a film inspection and cleaning machine; now therefore be it

Resolved, That having been duly advertised July 2, 1981, the contract for the furnishing of a film inspection and cleaning machine under Invitation to Bid 140-81 be awarded to:

Research Technology International, Lincolnwood, Illinois.

low bidder meeting specifications.

Resolution No. 539-81 Re: RFP 81-08, Audits of School Independent Activity Funds

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Mrs. Spencer, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, It is advantageous to MCPS to contract with outside auditors to perform audits of the Independent Activity Funds at some of the schools in the county; and

WHEREAS, Newspaper advertisement on July 19, 1981, and letter requests issued to a number of prospective accountants included in the approved list have produced 28 qualified candidates, of whom five have been selected as being the best qualified; and

WHEREAS, Sufficient funds are included in the FY 1982 operating budget for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Audit Committee of the Board of Education have recommended approval of this resolution; now therefore be it

Resolved, That contracts for auditing the Independent Activity Funds at the schools for FY 1981 at a price of \$350 per high school, \$220 per junior high or middle school, and \$100 per elementary school, with each contract not to exceed \$8,000, be awarded to:

Benson, Keane and Co., CPAs, Rockville, Maryland Kenneth L. Brown, CPA, Rockville, Maryland Louis W. Buck, CPA, Washington, D. C. Craig R. Casper, CPA, Rockville, Maryland Joseph D. Gregory, CPA, Gaithersburg, Maryland

Resolution No. 540-81

Re: Amendment of Contract with International Business Machines for Automated Office Equipment

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Mrs. Spencer, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, The Board of Education approved on August 12, 1980, entering into an agreement with International Business Machines Corporation to install the 3730 Office Automation System in the Board office and Department of Management Information and Computer Services (DMICS); and

WHEREAS, The ability of the staff to better manage the information and workload of the Board office, the superintendent's office, and DMICS has resulted from use of this equipment; and

Additional offices have received approval for automation WHEREAS. FY 1981 and FY 1982, i ncl udi ng Association in Relations. and Information, Educati onal Facilities Planning Development, other offices that Procurement, and are requesting sīmilar services; and

WHEREAS, The current 3730 system can be expanded to support up to a maximum of 24 devices, including both workstations and printers; and

WHEREAS, This expansion can be accomplished within a leasing agreement that may be canceled without penalty as of July 1, of any year, with 30 days written notice; now therefore be it

Resolved, That MCPS amend the current agreement with International Business Machines Corporation to upgrade the 3730 systems control unit (CPU) to an 8100 model and to authorize the lease of up to nine additional devices, making a maximum total of 24; and be it further

Resolved, That this equipment will be leased in FY 1982 at a monthly rate of \$4495.70 for the CPU and currently installed 15 workstations/printers, \$103.50 per month per additional workstation, and \$258.30 per month per printer for a maximum of \$5736.80 per month (for a total in FY 1982 of \$63,104.80); and be it further

Resolved, That this agreement will be self-renewing each July 1 unless canceled by MCPS with 30 days written notice.

Resolution No.	541-81	Re:	Bid 126-8	31, Milk,	Milk	Shake
			Mixes, Co	ottage Ch	eese,	Yogurt,
		and	Fruit Jui	ces		C

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Mrs. Spencer, the following resolution was adopted with Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Spencer, Mrs. Wallace, and Mrs. Zappone voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Peyser abstaining (Mr. Lipson affirmative):

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted for the purchase of milk, milk shake mixes, cottage cheese, yogurt, and fruit juices; now therefore be it Resolved, That having been duly advertised June 17, 1981, the contracts for the furnishing of milk, milk shake mixes, cottage cheese, yogurt, and fruit juices for the period of August 16, 1981, through August 15, 1982, under Invitation to Bid 126-81 be awarded to:

Shenandoah's Pride Dairy, Springfield, Virginia,

low bidder meeting specifications.

Resolution No. 542-81 Re: Bid 127-81, Bread and Rolls

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Mrs. Spencer, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted for the purchase of bread and rolls; now therefore be it

Resolved, That having been duly advertised June 25, 1981, the contract for the furnishing of bread and rolls for the period of August 12, 1981, through August 11, 1982, under Invitation to Bid 127-81 be awarded to:

ITT Continental Baking Company, Washington, D.C.,

low bidder meeting specifications.

Re: Board/Press/Visitor Conference

Mrs. Joanna Vitali appeared before the Board.

Resolution No. 543-81 Re: Personnel Transfers

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Zappone seconded by Mrs. Spencer, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the following personnel transfers be approved:

Transfer Albert J. Bidwick, Jr.	From Principal Piney Branch Elem	To Principal Connecticut Park Elem Effective July 28, 1981
Clara J. Shepherd	Principal Forest Knolls Elem	Principal Watkins Mill Elem Effective July 28, 1981

Resolution No. 544-81

Re: Personnel Appointment

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Zappone seconded by Mrs. Peyser, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the following personnel appointment be approved:

Appoi ntment Al ston 0. Funk	Present Position	As
Alston 0. Funk	Systems Analyst	Systems Anal yst
	Small Business Adminis-	Division of Systems
	tration	Devel opment
	Office of Internal Audits	Dept. of Management Information and Computer Services Grade G Effective 8/10/81

Resolution No. 545-81

Re: Personnel Reassignment

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Zappone seconded by Mrs. Spencer, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the following personnel reassignment be approved:

Name	From	То
Milor, John W.	Area Maintenance	To be
		Determi ned
	Servi ces Supervi sor	Will maintain
		present
	22-G-L2	salary level
		July 1, 1981

Re: Annual Report of the Task Force on Discipline

Dr. Frank Bready stated that the committee had developed three major thrusts: the Montgomery County Juvenile Court System, discipline within the county schools, and a review of policies related to discipline. The committee held twelve formal meetings during the year. With the assistance of the Department of Educational Accountability they secured a survey from the National Education Association which will also give them a complete statistical analysis of the results which should be available in the fall. The committee felt that other aspects of the school community needed to be surveyed and recommended that the Department of Educational Accountability develop surveys to get inputs. In regard to policies, Dr. Bready said that one subcommittee did an ERIC search and received good background information. They had reviewed the suspension data from MCPS and collected information from neighboring counties. They reviewed the policy on loss of credit and were not recommending changes. They looked at the drug abuse policy and were not recommending change; however, they were recommending that the Board look at the policy on smoking on school grounds because they now had 9-12 high schools. He said they had reviewed the policy on student driving and felt there might be procedural recommendations here. Dr. Pitt commented that they thought the building monitors would be a help here.

Dr. Bready explained that in regard to the policy on trespassing on MCPS buildings and grounds, some elementary school principals were concerned about parts of the buildings that were not being used because of declining population. He indicated that they had the committee recommendations studyi ng offered on student They were suggesting that the Board consider a involvement. revision to the policy on intoxicants on MCPS property. They also had a recommendation on the policy on transportation to provide for immediate suspension of students where there is a threat of safety. concern regarding There was also a bus ai des and the transportation of emotionally disturbed youngsters.

Dr. Bready reported that they had met with representatives of the police and the juvenile court system. It was indicated that there was now a much stronger working relationship between the police and the public schools. Dr. Pitt added that they had made some real efforts this year to coordinate their efforts with those of the policy. Dr. Bready said that Judge Tracy had met with the committee. Judge Tracy had expressed a concern that in some ways the court dealt with juveniles in a less strict manner than he felt would be most effective.

In regard to the recommendations of the committee, Dr. Bready said they were suggesting an expansion of parent/peer groups, continued dialogue among schools and county agencies involved in services for juveniles, and expansion of the in-school suspension concept. Dr. Pitt commented that the report on the in-school suspension programs would be available on August 24.

Mr. Ewing asked whether Judge Tracy was the only judge who had met with the committee. Mrs. Sylvia Hudes replied that they had invited the other judges but only Judge Tracy accepted. Mr. Ewing pointed out that judges did vary from judge to judge on their view of how to handle juvenile cases. Mr. Ewing asked whether they had spoken to the state or the prosecutor's office. Dr. Bready replied that they were trying to get a total perspective, but out of a 25-member committee only about 12 people were active. Mr. Ewing recalled that the County Human Relations Commission had a justice committee which was extremely active in developing a set of recommendations about how the juvenile justice system might be more effective, and he suggested that the committee obtain a copy of the report.*
*Dr. Greenblatt joined the meeting at this point.

Mrs. Zappone said that in regard to trespassers in the elementary schools they were going to be facing a situation where they had decals welcoming people to the school. Then they were concerned about the problem of unused portions of the buildings. In regard to the proposed survey, Mrs. Spencer asked whether Educational Accountability had budgeted for this. Mr. Clifford Baacke replied that they had not; however, they would have to look at whether funds were available.

Mrs. Peyser asked how they would describe the current drug/alcohol situation in the schools over the situation two years ago. Dr. Bready replied that he felt that drug abuse had declined but alcohol was a greater problem but not on school grounds. Mrs. Wallace said that her children's teenage friends had indicated that there was a tremendous problem out there with drugs and alcohol. She said that the Board received monthly reports on drug abuse, and she thought that the feelings from the youth and from the school system were completely apart. Dr. Bready replied that he was not indicating that there was no problem; however, he did hear a report indicating that drug use had been declining in the past few years. He explained that he was talking about use on school grounds. Mr. Nate Pearson felt that youngsters were more discreet about using drugs in the schools. Mrs. Spencer asked whether his statement reflected that it was not evidently affecting students in the classroom as it did a few years ago. Mr. Pearson replied that a few years ago students would come in stoned; however, that was rare He felt that some of the Board's own policies had made now. believers out of these students.

Mr. Ewing commented that he believed that the Board and committee had an obligation to clarify what it was when they talked about di sci pl i ne. He said that when people talked about discipline they meant a whole range of things. There were people who thought of discipline in terms of a set of punishments, and there were people who think about discipline as students applying themselves to He hoped that the committee would come to grips with learning. this and tell the Board what an appropriate definition might be. Then one had to say something about the scope of the problem, and there he thought the data would be fairly soft. He said that the data on drug use was subject to widespread interpretation and they really didn't have good measures. He said that where there was data they should use it; however, they should identify when they were guessing about the scope of the problem

In regard to the recommendation on the policy on smoking on school grounds, Mrs. Wallace asked whether there was any discussion about doing away with these legalized smoking areas. Dr. Bready replied that they did discuss this and decided it was not in the realm of the charge to the committee. He said they were concerned that the most recent review of the policy was back in 1973 when high schools were not 9-12. Mrs. Spencer commented that she was a high school

PTA president, and she felt they would be reinventing the wheel if they got into this. As a non-smoker who was adversely affected by smoke, she would prefer to have a smoking policy and an area on Mrs. Wallace remarked that they could get into a school grounds. regardi ng phi losophi cal di scussi on regul ar cigarettes in а legalized area and the flaunting of authority to smoke an illegal substance el sewhere. She felt that it might be time for the Board to review this policy.

Dr. Greenblatt suggested that they ask staff to come back with an action plan or a resolution endorsing the three recommendations. She said that she would be interested in how they could expand the in-school suspension program and what the fiscal impact would be if they had this in all high schools. Dr. Pitt indicated that they were waiting for the evaluation. He said they were planning to maintain the present program and expansion would take a significant amount of funds. They were expanding the parent/peer group with the present budget. He said that they would provide the Board with more data on the in-school suspension program for the August evening meeting.

In regard to the parent/peer group program, Mrs. Wallace expressed her concern that they had one middle school principal who had been released half time to work with this program which left a school with only a half time principal. Dr. Roy Stern commented that Dr. Redmond was doing an excellent job; however, one of the weaknesses in the program was the need for follow-up.

Mrs. Wallace thanked Dr. Bready for his leadership on the committee. She wondered whether the task force should be as large as it was and asked whether a membership of 15 would be better. Dr. Bready replied that it would depend on the conscientiousness of the members and whether they wanted to work in subcommittees. Mrs. Wallace asked him to think over this and give the Board a reaction. Dr. Bready thought that they needed at least 15 members. Mrs. Wallace suggested that they could go about advertising for the vacancies on the committee.

> Re: Policy on Position Sharing

Dr. Greenblatt moved the following which was seconded by Mrs. Zappone:

WHEREAS, In general, positions will be filled by qualified staff on a full-time basis; and

WHEREAS, In selective cases in grades one to six at the elementary level the educational program may best be met through the sharing of a full-time position by two qualified staff members; and

WHEREAS, Certain highly qualified staff may be available only on a part-time basis; now therefore be it

Resolved, That positions are to be shared only when there is a bona fide educational need; and be it further

Resolved, That arrangements whereby positions are shared must have the prior approval of the area associate superintendent; and be it further

Resolved, That the deputy superintendent receive an annual report from the Department of Personnel Services identifying the extent and nature of situations involving the sharing of a full-time position; and be it further

Resolved, That the intent of this policy be incorporated into the personnel procedures of the school system.

Resolution No. 546-81 Re: An Amendment to the Proposed Policy on Position Sharing

On motion of Dr. Greenblatt seconded by Mrs. Peyser, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the proposed policy on position sharing be amended by the addition of a new third resolved clause: "Resolved, That at the elementary school level all part-time regular and part-time special education classroom teachers, as a general rule, shall have a five-day work week assignment; and be it further."

Resolution No. 547-81 Re: An Amendment to the Proposed Policy on Position Sharing

On motion of Dr. Greenblatt seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the proposed policy on position sharing be amended in the new fourth resolved to substitute "the superintendent and the Board of Education" for the "deputy superintendent."

Resolution No. 548-81 Re: Policy on Position Sharing

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Dr. Greenblatt seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, In general, positions will be filled by qualified staff on a full-time basis; and

WHEREAS, In selective cases in grades one to six at the elementary level the educational program may best be met through the sharing of a full-time position by two qualified staff members; and

WHEREAS, Certain highly qualified staff may be available only on a part-time basis; now therefore be it

Resolved, That positions are to be shared only when there is a bona fide educational need; and be it further

Resolved, That arrangements whereby positions are shared must have the prior approval of the area associate superintendent; and be it further

Resolved, That at the elementary school level all part-time regular and part-time special education classroom teachers, as a general rule, shall have a five-day work week assignment; and be it further

Resolved, That the superintendent and Board of Education receive an annual report from the Department of Personnel Services identifying the extent and nature of situations involving the sharing of a full-time position; and be it further

Resolved, That the intent of this policy be incorporated into the personnel procedures of the school system.

Mrs. Spencer assumed the chair.

Resolution No. 549-81

Re: Interagency Coordinating Board

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Wallace seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Montgomery County Council Bill No. 43-78, enacted October 17, 1978, created a School Facilities Utilization Act by adding a new Article 1 to Chapter 44, title "Schools and Camps," of the Montgomery County Code (1972 edition, as amended); and

WHEREAS, This act created The Interagency Coordinating Board for Community Use of Educational Facilities and Services to stimulate "maximum utilization of gyms, playing fields, classrooms, and other facilities of the Montgomery County Public Schools by public and non-public agencies, community groups, and citizens generally throughout the County, toward the end that these public facilities serve the public on a year-round basis"; and

WHEREAS, The Interagency Coordinating Board's nine members include the chief administrative officer of the County Government, superintendent of schools, president of Montgomery College, a member of the County Planning Board, staff director of the County Council, two citizens appointed by the County Executive and confirmed by the County Council, and two citizens appointed by the superintendent and confirmed by the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, Presently the School Facilities Utilization Act does not include public libraries, recreation facilities, other County Government facilities, Montgomery College, and the facilities of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning located in Montgomery County; now therefore be it Resolved, That the Board of Education requests the County Council to review and evaluate the effectiveness of the School Facilities Utilization Act and the responsibilities of the Interagency Coordinating Board; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Montgomery County Council, County Executive, the Director of Community Use of Educational Facilities and Services, and to members of the Interagency Coordinating Board for Community Use of Educational Facilities and Services.

Mrs. Wallace assumed the chair.

Re: Annual Report on Grading Policy

Dr. Lois Martin, associate superintendent, stated that the grading policy called for an annual report; however, the last one had been published in 1977. She explained that the most recent changes in the policy were as a result of the adoption of the Senior High School Policy. She pointed out that implementation of the Senior High School Policy might again cause them to talk about some possible changes in procedures.

Re: A Motion by Dr. Greenblatt on the Grading Policy

Dr. Greenblatt introduced the following which was seconded by Mrs. Peyser:

WHEREAS, The Senior High School Policy requires final examinations in all academic courses; and

WHEREAS, There is a need to establish uniform standards countywide; and

WHEREAS, Schools have a different number of marking periods (two or three) per semester; and

WHEREAS, When the school system previously required final exams, the exam counted 25 percent of the semester grade; and

WHEREAS, The Board wants to encourage students to take more challenging courses and not be penalized in their grade-point average and/or in-class standing; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education hereby modifies the grading policy so that final examinations in all secondary schools shall be computed as 25 percent of the final grade for the semester and the final exam grade shall be indicated on the report card, and that this Resolved clause shall be implemented for the 1981/82 school year; and be it further Resolved, That all advanced placement courses be differentiated so as to give them greater weight in calculating grade-point averages and in-class standing, starting with the class of 1983; and be it further

Resolved, That a task force be established composed of students, parents, teachers, principals, and central office personnel to explore other ways to encourage students to take advanced level courses and a more rigorous academic program through differentiated weighting of courses in the calculations of grade-point averages and in-class standing, and this task force should report back to the Board during the winter of 1981/82 so as to permit possible implementation of its suggestions in September, 1982; and be it further

Resolved, That all schools be on the same marking period schedule by September, 1981, unless the superintendent recommends otherwise.

Mrs. Wallace announced that this proposed resolution was a matter of policy and would lay over until the evening meeting in August.

Resolution No. 550-81 Re: Board Agenda - July 27, 1981

On motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the Board of Education amend its agenda for July 27, 1981, to go into executive session and return to the item on classification and publication of MCPS Policies and Procedures.

Re: Executive Session

Mrs. Wallace announced that the Board had met in executive session from 10:50 p.m. to 11:50 p.m. to consult with legal counsel.

Mrs. Spencer assumed the chair.

Resolution No. 551-81Re:Classification and Publication of
MCPS Policies and Procedures

On motion of Mrs. Wallace seconded by Mrs. Peyser, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, On May 26, 1981, the superintendent presented the Board with a proposal for developing a new classification and publication system for MCPS policies and procedures; and

WHEREAS, The review of all MCPS policies is part of the Board's priorities in 1981; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board approves of the approach recommended by the superintendent and directs the staff to move forward with their work on the new classification and publications system; and be it further Resolved, That the Board supports the recommendations of the Board's staff and requests that the superintendent incorporate these recommendations as the project moves forward.

Mrs. Wallace assumed the chair.

Re: Board Member Comments

Mrs. Spencer reported that she had attended a Board meeting last week in another state. At that meeting the Board adopted its budget. The audience consisted of one principal, one "rifed" employee, the media, and Mrs. Spencer and her husband. The meeting lasted from 8 to 10 p.m.

Resolution No. 552-81 Re: Executive Session - August 11, 1981

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Zappone seconded by Mrs. Peyser, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, The Board of Education of Montgomery County is authorized by Article 76A, Section 11(a) of the Annotated Code of Maryland to conduct certain of its meetings in executive closed session; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education of Montgomery County hereby conduct its meeting in executive closed session beginning on August 11, 1981, at 9 a.m. to discuss, consider, deliberate, and/or otherwi se deci de the employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion. compensation, discipline, removal. or resignation of employees, appointees, or officials over whom it has jurisdiction, or any other personnel matter affecting one or more particular individuals, to consult with legal counsel, and to comply with a specific constitutional, statutory or judicially imposed requirement protecting particular proceedings or matters from public disclosure as permitted under Article 76A, Section 11(a) and that such meeting shall continue in executive closed session until the completion of business; and be it further

Resolved, That such meeting continue in executive closed session at noon to discuss the matters listed above as permitted under Article 76A, Section 11(a) and that such meeting shall continue in executive closed session until the completion of business.

Re: New Business

1. Mrs. Wallace asked for a Board member to attend the inspection of Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School. Mrs. Spencer and Mrs. Peyser agreed to attend.

2. Mrs. Zappone introduced the following which was seconded by Dr. Greenblatt:

WHEREAS, During the school closure process consideration has been given by the Board of Education to the creation of a "new school" at the consolidated school; and

WHEREAS, Leland Junior High School was closed effective July 1, 1981, with all of its students being assigned to Western Junior High School; and

WHEREAS, The Western/Leland transition committee has been meeting to assure a smooth transition; and

WHEREAS, The Western/Leland transition committee has studied the Hungerford Park situation and the effect of a "new" name on a consolidated school; and

WHEREAS, The transition committee has agreed on a new name for the consolidated school; now therefore be it

Resolved, That, effective immediately, the consolidated school at the Western Junior High School site be renamed Westland Intermediate School.

3. Mrs. Peyser moved the following resolution which was seconded by Dr. Greenblatt:

WHEREAS, Resolution 364-77 establishes the basis for tuition charges for students attending Montgomery County Public Schools who are not residents of the County; and

WHEREAS, Some employees of Montgomery County Public Schools reside outside of the county for a number of reasons, including the high cost of living in the county; and

WHEREAS, Some of these employees residing outside of the county currently enroll their children in MCPS or may have a desire to do so; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the rate of tuition for the children of employees who reside outside of the county will be one-half of the annual rate of tuition for all other nonresident students.

4. Dr. Greenblatt introduced the following which was seconded by Mrs. Zappone. She asked staff to come forward with a general resolution encouraging the County Government to come to a speedy resolution on the question of a pool in the western part of the county.

5. Mrs. Zappone called attention to the information item on school bus transportation. Mr. Richard Fazakerley, associate superintendent, explained the situation and the time constraints facing them as they opened the new school year and consolidated areas. He said that he would be talking during the spring with ECOSYSTEMS about computerized bus scheduling. Re: A Motion by Mr. Ewing on the Sale of Undeveloped School Property on Maryland Route 355 (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing that the Board of Education consider the matter of the sale of undeveloped school property on Maryland Route 355 first in executive session, and then in public failed with Mr. Ewing voting in the affirmative; Dr. Greenblatt, Mrs. Peyser, Mrs. Spencer, Mrs. Wallace, and Mrs. Zappone abstaining (Mr. Lipson abstaining).

Resolution No. 553-81 Re: BOE Case 80-15

On motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously (Mr. Lipson did not vote):

WHEREAS, The Board of Education has heard oral arguments in the matter of Board of Education Case 80-15; and

WHEREAS, The Board met in executive session on July 16, 1981, to determine its Decision and Order; now therefore be it

Resolved, That in the matter of Board of Education Case 80-15 the Board of Education herewith by formal vote adopts its Decision and Order.

Resolution No. 554-81 Re: Minutes of June 22, 1981

On motion of Mrs. Zappone seconded by Dr. Greenblatt, the following resolution was adopted with Mr. Ewing, Dr. Greenblatt, Mrs. Peyser, Mrs. Wallace, and Mrs. Zappone voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Spencer abstaining (Mr. Lipson affirmative):

Resolved, That the minutes of June 22, 1981, be approved as amended.

Re: Item of Information

Board members received an item of information on school bus transportation.

Re: Adjournment

The president adjourned the meeting at 12:20 a.m.

Presi dent

Secretary

EA: ml