Rockville, Maryland July 26, 1993

APPROVED 37-1993

The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in regular session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Monday, July 26, 1993, at 8:45 p.m.

ROLL CALL Present: Dr. Alan Cheung, President

in the Chair Ms. Carrie Baker

Mrs. Frances Brenneman Mr. Blair G. Ewing Mrs. Carol Fanconi Mrs. Beatrice Gordon Ms. Ana Sol Gutierrez

Absent: Mr. Stephen Abrams

Others Present: Dr. Paul L. Vance, Superintendent

Mrs. Katheryn W. Gemberling, Deputy

Dr. H. Philip Rohr, Deputy

Mr. Thomas S. Fess, Parliamentarian

Re: ANNOUNCEMENT

Dr. Cheung announced that the Board had been meeting in closed session on personnel, negotiations, and appeals. Mr. Abrams had left the meeting because of illness.

RESOLUTION NO. 573-93 Re: BOE AGENDA - JULY 26, 1993

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Gordon seconded by Mrs. Fanconi, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve its agenda for July 26, 1993.

Re: PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Thomas Israel, MCEA, appeared before the Board.

RESOLUTION NO. 574-93 Re: PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS MORE THAN \$25,000

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted for the purchase of equipment, supplies, and contractual services, and

WHEREAS, It is recommended that RFP No. 93-10, Contracting Out Pupil Transportation (Pilot), be rejected as it is in the best interest of the school system to rebid; now therefore be it

Resolved, That RFP No. 93-10 be rejected; and be it further

Resolved, That having been duly advertised, the following contracts be awarded to the low bidders meeting specifications as shown for the bids as follows:

COB 3000621	Heating Oil  Awardees Apex Oil, Inc. \$399,600 BP Oil Company 807,212 MG Refining & Marketing, Inc. 20,640 TOTAL \$1,227,452
91-05	Maintenance Service on Microscopes and Balances - Extension <u>Awardee</u> Alpha and Omega Service \$ 28,350
183-91	Bread and Rolls - Extension <u>Awardee</u> Schmidt Baking Company, Inc. \$ 213,325
201-91	Scanner Forms and Scanning Machines - Extension  Awardee  National Computer Systems \$ 84,104
119-93	Health Room Supplies and Equipment  Awardees  American Healthcare Supply, Inc. \$ 92  Amzco Surgical Devices 257 *  Armstrong Medical Industries 4,905 *  C.D. Medical Distributors 1,430  Cole Medical, Inc. 25,887  Commercial Wiping Cloth, Inc. 10,551 *  Division Medical Supplies, Inc. 6,655 *  Express Physicians Supply Corp. 4,137  Foster/Murray-Baumgartner 6,669  Lyons Safety, Inc. 2,587  William V. MacGill and Company 11,034  Medex Products Corporation 3,338  Micro Bio-Medics, Inc. 32,776  National Health Supply Corporation 989  N.P.M. Healthcare Products, Inc. 1,267  P & D Medical, Inc. 280 *

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	Protective Glove Company Roane-Barker, Inc. School Health Supply Company TOTAL	\$	$   \begin{array}{r}     10,406 \\     3,174 \\     \underline{1,041} \\     127,475   \end{array} $	
120-93	Shade and upholstery Materials  Awardees Color-Tex Dymalon, Inc. Frankel Associates, Inc. Mileham and King, Inc. Rocky Mount Cord Company Stimpson Company, Inc. Tedco Industries, Inc. Window Moods, Inc. TOTAL	\$	7,605 541 20,900 14,500 1,382 813 29,552 14,858 90,151	* *
135-93	Physical Education Equipment for Gender Awardees Long Fence Company, Inc. National Recreation Systems, Inc. TOTAL	r E0 \$ \$	guity Prog 54,830 <u>11,960</u> 66,790	gram
140-93	Milk, Milk Shake Mixes, Cottage Cheese and Fruit Juices <u>Awardee</u> Green Spring Dairy		ogurt ,470,048	
142-93	Videodisc Player and Peripherals <u>Awardee</u> Professional Products, Inc.	\$	27,942	
143-93	Copier Maintenance Service <u>Awardee</u> Waugh Enterprises, Inc.	\$	36,100	*
MORE THAN	\$25,000	\$3	,371,737	

\* Denotes MFD vendors

RESOLUTION NO. 575-93 Re: RFP 93-06, TAX-DEFERRED ANNUITY PROGRAM CARRIER SELECTION

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, The Board of Education by Resolutions 335-65 and 365-65 has offered the benefits of a tax-deferred annuity program for its employees since 1965 in accordance with Section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended; and

WHEREAS, An amendment to the Internal Revenue Code under Section 403(b) (7) permits salary reduction for tax-deferred investment in regulated investment companies; and

WHEREAS, New types of investment vehicles and tax-deferred programs have been developed that were not available previously to employees, and interest has been expressed to the Joint Employee Benefit Committees to include these new programs, and

WHEREAS, Having been duly advertised under RFP 93-06, companies were asked to submit proposals for consideration; and

WHEREAS, An expert consultant, Alexander and Alexander Consulting Group, was retained to review, evaluate proposals and make recommendations, and an MCPS staff evaluation committee has conducted a detailed evaluation of proposals submitted, as well as the consultant's report and recommendations; and

WHEREAS, The results and recommendations were presented to and unanimously approved by the Joint Employee Benefit Committees; now therefore be it

Resolved, That based on the staff committee's recommendation, the Board of Education authorize the following six additional carriers for inclusion in the tax-deferred annuity program in accordance with Sections 403(b) and 403(b) (7) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended:

Hartford Life Insurance Companies, Hartford, Connecticut IDS Life Insurance Company, Minneapolis, Minnesota Lincoln Investment Planning, Inc., Wyncote, Pennsylvania Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, New York, New York Nationwide Life Insurance Company, Columbus, Ohio UNUM Life Insurance Company of America, Portland, Maine

and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That the following seven companies previously approved by the Board of Education be continued as carriers:

Aetna Life and Casualty, Hartford, Connecticut
The Copeland Companies (representing Travelers),
Columbia, Maryland
Fidelity Investments, Boston, Massachusetts
Lincoln National Life Insurance Company,
Ft. Wayne, Indiana
Prudential Insurance Company of America,
Moosic, Pennsylvania
T. Rowe Price Funds, Baltimore, Maryland
The Variable Annuity Life Insurance Company (VALIC),
Houston, Texas

and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That approval of QUADS, previously approved and formerly known as Investors Life Insurance Company of North America, be restored and allowed to solicit new enrollees; and be it further

Resolved, That all carriers offering tax-deferred annuity programs will meet MCPS guidelines for solicitation, conduct, and disclosure of costs, and that any carrier violating these guidelines will lose the right to conduct business with MCPS.

RESOLUTION NO. 576-93 Re: ENHANCEMENT OF FIRE ALARM SYSTEM FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED AT ROCKVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, The following sealed bid was received on June 22, 1993, to provide enhancement of the fire alarm system for the hearing impaired at Rockville High School, with work to begin immediately and be completed by August 20, 1993:

<u>Bidder</u> <u>Amount</u>

F. B. Harding, Inc. \$49,121

and

WHEREAS, Although only one bid was received, the bid was below the staff estimate of \$54,000; and

WHEREAS, F. B. Harding, Inc., has completed fire alarm work successfully for Montgomery County Public Schools, including work at Briggs Chaney Middle School; now therefore be

Resolved, That a \$49,121 contract be awarded to F. B. Harding, Inc., to provide enhancement of the fire alarm system for the hearing impaired at Rockville High School, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by the Department of Facilities Management.

RESOLUTION NO. 577-93 Re: INSTALLATION OF CEILING FANS AT VARIOUS SCHOOLS

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, The following sealed bids were received on July 15, 1993, for the installation of ceiling fans at Woodfield Elementary School and Cabin John Middle School, with work to begin immediately and to be completed by August 27, 1993:

<u>Blader</u>		Amount
	F. B. Harding, Inc. Steinman Electric, Inc.	\$25,720 40,970

and

WHEREAS, The low bidder, F. B. Harding, Inc., has completed work successfully for Montgomery County Public Schools, including the electrical subcontract work at Briggs Chaney Middle School; and

WHEREAS, The low bid is below the staff estimate of \$26,000; now therefore be it

Resolved, That a \$25,720 contract be awarded to F. B. Harding, Inc., for the installation of ceiling fans at Woodfield Elementary School and Cabin John Middle School, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by the Department of Facilities Management

RESOLUTION NO. 578-93 Re: CONTINUATION OF ENGINEERING SERVICES - ENERGY MANAGEMENT AUTOMATION SYSTEMS

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, Engineering services are required to perform energy audits, construction design reviews, lighting surveys, and the design of recommended conservation measures for each school; and

WHEREAS, Engineering services for the design and administration of construction contracts are necessary for the installation of energy management automation systems, and lighting conservation measures in all schools; and

WHEREAS, Von Otto, & Bilecky, Professional Corporation, was the successful bidder through the Architect/Engineer Selection Procedures approved by the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, This firm has provided satisfactory engineering services for these purposes; now therefore be it

<u>Resolved</u>, That the Board of Education extend the contractual agreement, for an amount not to exceed \$175,000 annually, with the firm of Von Otto & Bilecky, Professional Corporation, for the

performance of energy audits and the design of recommended conservation measures, and for the design and administration of construction contracts for Energy Management Automation Systems in Montgomery County Public Schools.

RESOLUTION NO. 579-93 Re: GRANT OF RIGHT-OF-WAY AGREEMENT TO THE POTOMAC EDISON COMPANY AT DAMASCUS HIGH SCHOOL

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, The Potomac Edison Company has requested a right-of-way to provide upgraded electrical facilities for the addition/modification to Damascus High School, located at 25921 Ridge Road; and

WHEREAS, The proposed grant of right-of-way includes underground electrical facilities to be installed in a 10-foot-wide strip from an existing pole at Route 27 for a distance of approximately 95 feet along the north side of the building to a new transformer; and

WHEREAS, This grant of right-of-way will benefit the school and surrounding community by providing necessary upgraded electrical facilities; and

WHEREAS, The proposed right-of-way will not affect any land that could be used for school programming and recreational activities; and

WHEREAS, All construction and restoration will be completed without disruption to the school as part of the school's addition/modification project, with the Potomac Edison Company and its contractors assuming liability for all damages or injuries; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the president and secretary of the Board of Education be authorized to execute a Right-of-Way Agreement with the Potomac Edison Company for the right-of-way needed for upgrading the electrical facilities at Damascus High School.

RESOLUTION NO. 580-93 Re: ARCHITECTURAL APPOINTMENT - MONTGOMERY BLAIR HIGH SCHOOL ADDITION/MODERNIZATION

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, It is necessary to appoint an architectural firm to provide professional and technical services during the design and construction phases of the Montgomery Blair High School addition/modernization project; and

WHEREAS, Funds for architectural planning were appropriated as part of the FY 1994 Capital Budget; and

WHEREAS, The Architectural Selection Committee, in accordance with procedures adopted by the Board of Education on May 13, 1986, identified SHW Group, Inc., as the most qualified firm to provide the necessary professional architectural and engineering services; and

WHEREAS, Staff has negotiated a fee for necessary architectural services; now therefore be it

<u>Resolved</u>, That the Montgomery County Board of Education enter into a contractual agreement with the architectural firm of SHW Group, Inc., to provide professional architectural services for the Montgomery Blair High School addition/modernization project for a fee of \$1,150,000, which is 5.65 percent of the construction budget.

RESOLUTION NO. 581-93 Re: BID NO. 126-93, LEASE/PURCHASE AND FINANCING OF DISK DRIVE

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, The Board of Education of Montgomery County received Bid No. 126-93, Lease/Purchase and Financing of Disk Drive Equipment, to be used by the Division of Data Processing; and

WHEREAS, A disk drive is required to increase storage capacity due to the additional elementary school report cards added to the system this year; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education has determined in accordance with Section 5-110 of Maryland's Public School Law that  $EMC^2$  is the lowest responsible bidder conforming to specifications to supply one disk drive equipment; and

WHEREAS, EMC<sup>2</sup> has offered to provide the necessary equipment through a five-year lease/purchase arrangement with the first payment due August 1, 1993; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education has determined that it is in the public interest to obtain disk drive equipment through a lease/purchase arrangement with EMC<sup>2</sup> subject to cancellation in the event of nonappropriation; and

WHEREAS, EMC<sup>2</sup> has agreed to provide the disk drive equipment, software, and on-site training in accordance with the lease/purchase terms and nonappropriation conditions set forth in the bid specifications; now therefore be it

<u>Resolved</u>, That the Board of Education of Montgomery County award Bid No. 126-93 for the lease/purchase and financing of disk drive, software, and on-site training to EMC<sup>2</sup> totalling \$476,108 for a five-year lease/purchase in accordance with the terms and conditions of the specifications; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That the Board of Education president and the superintendent of schools be authorized to execute the documents necessary for this transaction.

RESOLUTION NO. 582-93 Re: RECOMMENDED PRICE INCREASES IN THE FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mr. Ewing, the following resolution was adopted with Ms. Baker, Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Fanconi, Mrs. Gordon, and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Brenneman voting in the negative.

WHEREAS, FY 1994 food, supply and salary costs will continue to increase significantly over FY 1992; and

WHEREAS, State and local funding support have decreased over the same periods of time; and

WHEREAS, To maintain a financially solvent food service enterprise fund it is necessary to increase revenues in FY 1994; now therefore be it

<u>Resolved</u>, That the price of the elementary lunch be increased from \$1.30 to \$1.40 and secondary lunch from \$1.40 to \$1.50; and be it further

Resolved, That the price increases be effective September 1, 1993.

RESOLUTION NO. 583-93 Re: FY 1994 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR IMPROVING THE MATHEMATICAL POWER OF ALL CHILDREN AND TEACHERS (PROJECT IMPACT)

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

<u>Resolved</u>, That the superintendent of schools be authorized, subject to County Council approval, to receive and expend an FY

1994 supplemental appropriation of \$255,514 from the National Science Foundation through the University of Maryland, for the program, Improving the Mathematical Power of all Children and Teachers (Project IMPACT), in the following categories:

	<u>Category</u>	Positions*	<u>Amount</u>
2 3 10	Instructional Salaries Other Instruction Costs Fixed Charges	3.5	\$182,885 28,434 44,195
	TOTAL	3.5	\$255,514

\* 3.0 Teacher, A-D (10 month)
.5 Secretary, 11

and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That the county executive be requested to recommend approval of this resolution to the County Council and a copy be transmitted to the county executive and the County Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 584-93 Re: UTILIZATION OF FY 1994 FUTURE
SUPPORTED PROJECT FUNDS AND
RECOMMENDED CATEGORICAL TRANSFER
WITHIN THE CHAPTER 2 EDUCATIONAL
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to receive and expend within the FY 1994 Provision for Future Supported Projects a grant award of \$21,584 from the U.S. Department of Education, through the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE), under the Hawkins-Stafford Elementary and Secondary School Improvement Amendments of 1988, for the Chapter 2 Educational Improvement program, in the following categories:

	<u>Category</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1 2 10	Administration Instructional Salaries Fixed Charges	\$ 280 19,633 <u>1,671</u>
	TOTAL	\$21,584

and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to effect an FY 1994 categorical transfer of \$6,026 within this same program, in the following categories:

	<u>Category</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
2	Instruction Salaries Other Instructional Costs	<u>\$6,026</u>	\$6,026 ———
	TOTAL	\$6,026	\$6,026

and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the county executive and the County Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 595-93 Re: SUBMISSION OF AN FY1994 GRANT PROPOSAL FOR NANNA'S CORNER

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to submit an FY 1994 grant proposal for \$54,347 to the Coca-Cola Foundation, under the Advancing Excellence in Education Challenge Program, for Nanna's Corner; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the county executive and the County Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 586-93 Re: DRUG TESTING - BUS DRIVERS

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, The members of the Board of Education and the superintendent of schools believe that an alcohol and drug testing program for bus drivers is one way of assuring that students will be transported safely; and

WHEREAS, The State Board of Education has promulgated regulations requiring local boards of education to adopt drug testing programs for school vehicle drivers; and

WHEREAS, Compliance with the State Board's regulations requires modifications in the Board's Alcohol and Drug Testing Program; and

WHEREAS, Implementation of the decision of the arbitrator resolving MCCSSE's grievance concerning the Alcohol and Drug Testing Program requires certain changes in the testing program; and

WHEREAS, Compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act requires modification of the testing program; now therefore be it

<u>Resolved</u>, That the Board of Education hereby adopts a revised drug testing program for bus drivers and directs the superintendent of schools to implement this program; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That the changes to the Alcohol and Drug Testing Program set out in this program shall become effective as of July 27, 1993.

RESOLUTION NO. 587-93 Re: FY 94 FEES FOR THE PARENT RESOURCE CENTERS

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Gordon seconded by Dr. Cheung, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, Funding for the Parent Education Centers was moved to the Adult Education and Summer School Enterprise Fund for FY 94; and

WHEREAS, Fees must be established to ensure that the program is self-supporting; now therefore be it

<u>Resolved</u>, That an annual membership fee of \$55 per family be established; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That families with annual incomes below \$35,000 pay an annual fee of \$20.

RESOLUTION NO. 588-93 Re: PERSONNEL APPOINTMENT

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Brenneman seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted with Ms. Baker, Mrs. Brenneman, Dr. Cheung, Mrs. Fanconi, and Mrs. Gordon voting in the affirmative; Mr. Ewing and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the negative:

Resolved, That the following personnel appointment be approved:

<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Present Position</u>	<u>As</u>
Michael E. Glascoe	Principal Einstein HS	Director of School Administration Office for School

Administration

Grade Q

Effective: 7-27-93

RESOLUTION NO. 589-93 Re: PERSONNEL APPOINTMENT

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Brenneman, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the following personnel appointment be approved:

<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Present Position</u>	<u>As</u>
Judith S. Kenney	Principal Jones Lane ES	Director of School Administration Office for School Administration Grade Q Effective: 7-27-93

RESOLUTION NO. 590-93 Re: PERSONNEL APPOINTMENT

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Brenneman, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the following personnel appointment be approved:

<u>Appointment</u>	Present Position	<u>As</u>
H. Benjamin Marlin	A&S Teacher Office of Personnel Services	Director of School Administration Office for School Administration Grade Q Effective: 7-27-93

RESOLUTION NO. 591-93 Re: PERSONNEL APPOINTMENT

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Ms. Gutierrez, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the following personnel appointment be approved:

<u>Appointment</u>	Present Position	<u>As</u>
David I. Steinberg	Principal Rosemont ES	Principal Gaithersburg MS Effective: 7-27-93

RESOLUTION NO. 592-93 Re: PERSONNEL APPOINTMENT

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

Resolved, That the following personnel appointment be approved:

Appointment Present Position As

Mary D'Ovidio Acting Asst. Principal Principal Broad Acres ES Broad Acres ES Effective: 7-27-93

RESOLUTION NO. 593-93 Re: PERSONNEL APPOINTMENT

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

Resolved, That the following personnel appointment be approved:

Appointment Present Position As

Chrisandra Acting Asst. Principal Principal
Richardson Rosemary Hills ES Georgian Forest ES
Effective: 7-27-93

RESOLUTION NO. 594-93 Re: PERSONNEL APPOINTMENT

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs, Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Brenneman, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the following personnel appointment be approved:

Appointment Present Position As

Pamela Sobel Acting Asst. Principal Principal Gaithersburg ES Pine Crest ES Effective: 7-27-93

RESOLUTION NO. 595-93 Re: PERSONNEL APPOINTMENT

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs, Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Brenneman, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the following personnel appointment be approved:

<u>Appointment</u> <u>Present Position</u> <u>As</u>

Roberta M. Haines Acting Director Director, Div. of Div. of Library Media

Programs Programs

Grade P

Effective: 7-27-93

RESOLUTION NO. 596-93 Re: PERSONNEL APPOINTMENT

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Ms. Gutierrez, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the following personnel appointment be approved:

<u>Appointment</u> <u>Present Position</u> <u>As</u>

Anthony P. Caetano Vice-President Supervisor, Vision

Braille Research and Literacy, Inc.

Programs
Div. of Vision

Programs Grade O

Effective: 7-27-93

RESOLUTION NO. 597-93 Re: PERSONNEL APPOINTMENT

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Ms. Gutierrez seconded by Mrs. Brenneman, the following resolution was adopted with Ms. Baker, Mrs. Brenneman, Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Gordon, and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Fanconi abstaining:

Resolved, That the following personnel appointment be approved:

<u>Appointment</u> <u>Present Position</u> <u>As</u>

Deeva I. Garel SIMS Project Specialist Coordinator for

Office of Deputy
Supt. for Instruction

Instructional Tech.
Div. of ComputerRelated Instruction

Grade N

Effective: 7-27-93

RESOLUTION NO. 598-93 Re: PERSONNEL TRANSFER

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Ms. Gutierrez seconded by Mrs. Fanconi, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the following personnel transfer be approved:

<u>Transfer</u> <u>From</u> <u>As</u>

Walter Tozier Asst. Principal Asst. Principal

South Lake ES Diamond ES

Effective: 7-27-93

RESOLUTION NO. 599-93 Re: REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON THE

LONG-RANGE NEEDS OF HUMAN RELATIONS

AND STAFF RESPONSE

On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Mrs. Fanconi, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education endorse the recommendations of the Commission on the Long-range Needs of Human Relations and request the superintendent to come back to the Board with detailed implementation plans.

## Human Relations Commission Recommendations

## Staff Response

- 1. The department develop and implement human relations training programs on laws, policies, and regulations pertaining to human relations issues for administrative and supervisory personnel.
- Agree. The Department of Human Relations will coordinate the development of training programs by working closely with all major offices including the systemwide training unit and legal services.
- 2. The department secures training opportunities from other school system departments, governmental agencies, corporations, and institutions in the Washington area.
- Agree. The Department of Human Relations will work with the Systemwide Training Unit which has been collaborating with the Montgomery County government to identify common training topics. As we continue to form and expand our partnerships with local universities, governmental agencies, and private corporations, identifying training opportunities will become a part of the planning process.
- 3. The superintendent review and propose revisions to Resolution #60-79 to provide maximum flexibility for the accomplishment of the intended objectives for all professional and supporting services staff.
- Agree. The superintendent and the executive staff will review Resolution #60-79 and make recommendations to the Board. Requirements for human relations training should be flexible enough to allow schools and offices to implement programs that are appropriate to their individual needs. The focus of human relations activities should be outcomesbased, expanded to include resolving issues at the lowest possible level, and guided by the Success for Every Student Plan. (See #7)

4. The superintendent create a position for a person with legal expertise needed to enhance MCPS compliance with the various federal, state, and local laws. Primary credentials for candidates should include knowledge of and experience with handling equity issues within a school system.

Additional study needed. As federal and state laws and mandates have become more complex, the demand for litigation in MCPS has increased. It is critical, therefore, that the Department of Human Relations has appropriate expertise in place as soon as possible in order to address EEO, ADA, sexual harassment and other issues. The EEO coordinator position could be reconstituted to a "compliance officer" who would have expertise in these areas.

Further review of the demands for legal services in MCPS is necessary and recommendations will be made for the FY95 budget cycle (consistent with the response to recommendation #12 of the OSAE Commission Report).

5. The superintendent direct a review of the existing practice for responding to and resolving EEO and other human relations formal complaints and consider changes to streamline the process.

Agree. A final review will be undertaken to ensure that formal complaints are responded to in a timely fashion and involve the appropriate staff. In some instance human relations or EEO complaints are filed through established due process procedures. When a complaint is filed directly to the Department of Human Relations, an investigation will begin and frequently include staff from other offices or schools. Additionally, training and supports will be in place to ensure resolving issues expeditiously at the lowest possible level.

Every effort will be made to inform employees, students, and the community of the appropriate due process procedures when submitting a formal complaint as well as the mechanisms to resolve issues utilizing the informal process at the local level.

6. The superintendent continue the direct reporting relationship of the director of the department to the office of the superintendent.

Agree. The direct involvement of the superintendent's office is critical to the success of the Department of Human Relations. The impact of a comprehensive human relations program reaches every aspect of the school system and the community. Maintaining the current reporting structure ensures continued commitment and accountability to that effort.

7. The superintendent develop policy which mandates establishing human relations committees in every school/unit, inclusive of staff, parents, students, and community members.

Agree. Policy ACA: Statement on Human Relations needs to be revised. A policy analysis of this policy and related policies will be brought to the Board for review and discussion.

We support the intent of this recommendation to ensure that human relations programs and issues are addressed at the lowest possible level. Principals and managers will be asked to review the functions and structure of their existing local committees with input from students, staff, and community. These committees will be expected to address and assist with the informal resolution of issues at the local level and to plan human relations training. Existing models of human relations committees will be reviewed in order to determine effective practices. The findings and recommendations will be shared with the Board (see #3).

8. The Office of Instruction and Program Development (OIPD) review and redesign the MCPS curricula to assure its inclusion of multiculturalism and its reflection of the school system's sensitivity to equity and diversity. OIPD should also establish a mechanism with which to evaluate the effectiveness of the new curricula.

Agree. OIPD will continue reviewing and revising curriculum to ensure that multiple perspectives are represented. As materials are revised or added, training will emphasize the inclusion of multiculturalism. During the summer of 1993, principals will be invited to curriculum workshops where the development of multicultural material occurs. The Council on Instruction will continue to review all course revisions and require inclusion of multiculturalism as a part of that process. It will continue to bring the curriculum revisions to the Board for approval. more comprehensive effort will be made to inform parents and the community of these revisions.

The need for multicultural awareness and sensitivity is broader than OIPD. By involving principals and teachers and the community in curriculum changes and training, a greater sensitivity to our diverse and multicultural clientele will occur over time. As we recognize and understand differences among ourselves, and make changes to the curriculum focusing on training on celebrating diversity, we will diminish ignorance and prejudice.

9. The superintendent establish a new organizational structure for the department.

Agree. The attached organizational chart reflects continue commitment to the importance of human relations. organization allows for an improved and more responsive Human Relations Department. The three human relations advocate positions will report to the Director of Human Relations with a portion of their time assigned directly to the Office of School Administration in order to assist in resolving school and community related problems. advocates will also spend time responding to overall community issues and to the needs of central and field office staff including but not limited to issues related to race, sexual harassment, religion, prejudice, hate/violence, etc.

The compliance officer position will facilitate improved communication with MCPS and outside counsel and will provide the support needed. As indicated in recommendation #4, further review of legal services will occur in order to determine the most effective and efficient placement of additional legal supports.

10. The department be responsible for developing, for the superintendent's approval, a comprehensive system-wide human relations program. This program should include a detailed plan for implementation with measurable outcomes.

Agree. A comprehensive human relations program is central to implementation of the Success for Every Student Plan. This plan will include measurable outcomes and will be shared with the Board.

## Re: BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

1. Dr. Cheung reported that last weekend he had attended the Organization of Chinese Americans convention in New York. It is a national organization of Chinese American with the objective of promoting hope and aspirations of Chinese Americans in the United States. One of the MCPS staff was the national president. He introduced Ms. Ginny Gong who was doing a great job as president, and under her leadership they had a telecommunication with a panel in Shanghai, a panel in Hong Kong, a panel in Singapore, a panel in Taipei, a panel in Tokyo, and a panel in New York.

- 2. Mr. Ewing noted that the Board had received an information item about the Contemporary Issues curriculum which was scheduled to come before the Board on August 30. In September the Board would be discussing social studies curriculum, and he suggested that the Board defer action on Contemporary Issues to the September meeting. Dr. Vance agreed.
- 3. Mrs. Gordon said she had the opportunity to attend testimony on Senate Bill 1050, Technology in Education. Mr. Dave Hillman who had been working with MCPS for GTE, his daughter, and Mr. Rick Lane, made an excellent presentation on technology in MCPS. She was convinced that MCPS continued to provide excellent, relevant testimony. In addition to providing the testimony, she thought they had the most well organized opportunity for testimony at the local, state, or national level.
- 4. In regard to Contemporary Issues, Mrs. Brenneman wondered what would happen if approval was delayed until September when school started on September 1. Mrs. Gemberling explained that this was a second semester course.

RESOLUTION NO. 600-93 Re: CLOSED MEETING - AUGUST 30, 1993

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, The Board of Education of Montgomery County is authorized by the Education Article of the <u>Annotated Code of Maryland</u> and Title 10 of the State Government Article to conduct certain meetings or portions of its meetings in closed session; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education of Montgomery County hereby conduct a portion of its meeting in closed session beginning on August 30, 1993, at 10 a.m. in Room 120 of the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, to discuss personnel matters, contract negotiations, pending litigation, matters protected from public disclosure by law, and other issues including consultation with counsel to obtain legal advice, as permitted under Section 4-106, Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland and State Government Article 10-501; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That such portion of its meeting shall continue in closed session at noon until the completion of business.

RESOLUTION NO. 601-93 Re: MINUTES OF JUNE 10, 1993

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Gordon seconded by Mrs. Fanconi, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the minutes of June 10, 1993, be approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 602-93 Re: MINUTES OF JUNE 15, 1993

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Ms. Gutierrez seconded by Mrs. Fanconi, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the minutes of June 15, 1993, be approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 603-93 Re: MINUTES OF JUNE 17, 1993

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

<u>Resolved</u>, That the minutes of June 17, 1993, be approved as corrected.

RESOLUTION NO. 604-93 Re: MINUTES OF JUNE 21, 1993

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

Resolved, That the minutes of June 21, 1993, be approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 605-93 Re: MINUTES OF JULY 1, 1993

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Ms. Baker seconded by Ms. Gutierrez, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the minutes of July 1, 1993, be approved.

Re: REPORT ON CLOSED SESSIONS - JULY 8, 13, AND 14, 1993

The Montgomery County Board of Education met in closed session on Thursday, July 8, 1993, from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. The meeting took place in Room 120 of the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland.

The Board met to discuss contract negotiations with MCEA and the process for the superintendent's evaluation.

In attendance at the closed session were Stephen Abrams, Carrie Baker, Fran Brenneman, Alan Cheung, Blair Ewing, Carol Fanconi, Thomas Fess, Bea Gordon, Ana Sol Gutierrez, Tom Reinert, Bud Westall, and Mary Lou Wood.

On June 21, 1993, by the unanimous vote of members present, the Board of Education voted to conduct a closed session on July 13, 1993, as permitted under Section 4-106, <u>Education Article</u> of the Annotated Code of Maryland and State Government Article 10-501.

The Montgomery County Board of Education met in closed session on Tuesday, July 13, 1993, from 9 a.m. to 10:35 a.m., from 1 p.m. to 1:40 p.m., and from 4:30 p.m. to 5:40 p.m. The meetings took place in Room 120 of the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland.

The Board met to discuss the monthly personnel report and personnel appointments and transfers. Actions taken in closed session were confirmed in open session. The Board also reviewed XYZ executive salaries and postponed this item. They discussed the legal services monthly report and appeals. The final closed session discussion was on contract negotiations with MCEA.

In attendance at the closed session were Stephen Abrams, Melissa Bahr, Carrie Baker, Fran Brenneman, Alan Cheung, Blair Ewing, Carol Fanconi, Thomas Fess, Phinnize Fisher, Katheryn Gemberling, Bea Gordon, Zvi Greismann, Ana Sol Gutierrez, Marie Heck, Elfreda Massie, Brian Porter, Thomas Reinert, Lois Stoner, Paul Vance, Joseph Villani, Bud Westall, and Mary Lou Wood.

On July 13, 1993, by the unanimous vote of members present, the Board of Education voted to conduct a closed session on July 14, 1993, as permitted under Section 4-106, <u>Education Article</u> of the Annotated Code of Maryland and State Government Article 10-501.

The Montgomery County Board of Education met in closed session on Wednesday, July 14, 1993, from 7:30 p.m. to 11:05 p.m. The meeting took place in Room 120 of the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland.

The Board met to discuss the superintendent's report on the 1992-93 school year and their evaluation of his performance.

In attendance at the closed session were Stephen Abrams, Carrie Baker, Fran Brenneman, Alan Cheung, Blair Ewing, Carol Fanconi, Thomas Fess, Bea Gordon, Ana Sol Gutierrez, Paul Vance, and Mary Lou Wood.

RESOLUTION NO. 606-93 Re: CODE OF ETHICS AND ETHICS PANEL

On motion of Mr. Abrams (on July 13, 1993) seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

<u>Resolved</u>, That the Board of Education schedule a review of the Code of Ethics that apply to the Montgomery County Board of Education; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That the review also include the roles and responsibilities of the Ethics Panel.

RESOLUTION NO. 607-93 Re: RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TITLE IX GENDER EQUITY COMMITTEE

On motion of Ms. Gutierrez seconded by Mr. Ewing, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

<u>Resolved</u>, That the Board of Education schedule discussion and action on the recommendations made by the Title IX Committee.

RESOLUTION NO. 608-93 Re: ESOL CENTER AT DAMASCUS HIGH SCHOOL

On motion of Ms. Gutierrez seconded by Mr. Abrams (on July 13, 1993), the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education direct the superintendent to review and reconsider the placement of the proposed ESOL Center at Damascus High School in view of the following: (1) the undue burden placed on all ESOL students who would be bused from their home districts outside the Damascus service area, (2) the potential savings to be made with FY 1995 CIP requests for additional funding for the additions to and modernization of Damascus High School; (3) the provision of ESOL services to students within their home schools; and (4) the effect on the implementation of the QIE policy.

RESOLUTION NO. 609-93 Re: ELECTION OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION BY DISTRICT

On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Ms. Gutierrez, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

<u>Resolved</u>, That the Board of Education consider endorsing a proposal to elect the state Board of Education by geographical districts, the purpose being to guarantee that Montgomery County has at least one representative on the State Board of Education.

RESOLUTION NO. 610-93 Re: BOE APPEAL NO. 1993-14

On motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Brenneman, the following resolution was adopted with Mrs. Brenneman, Ms. Baker, Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Fanconi, and Mrs. Gordon voting in the affirmative; Ms. Gutierrez voting in the negative:

Resolved, That the Board of Education adopt its Decision and Order in BOE Appeal No. 1993-14, an employee matter.

For the record, Mr. Fess stated that Mr. Abrams had signed the Decision and Order before he left the meeting and had voted in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION NO. 611-93 Re: BOE APPEAL NO. 1993-16

On motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Brenneman, the following resolution was adopted with Mrs. Brenneman, Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Fanconi, Mrs. Gordon, and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the affirmative; Ms. Baker abstaining:

<u>Resolved</u>, That the Board of Education adopt its Decision and Order in BOE Appeal No. 1993-16, a student matter.

For the record, Mr. Fess stated that Mr. Abrams had signed the Decision and Order before he left the meeting and had voted in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION NO. 612-93 Re: ILLNESS OF MR. VINCENT FOO

On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Mrs. Fanconi, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, The Board of Education has learned of the serious illness of Mr. Vincent Foo, who was for many years the outstanding president of the Montgomery County Council of Supporting Services Employees; now therefore be it

<u>Resolved</u>, That the Board of Education express to Mr. Foo its concern and its best wishes for a successful recovery.

Re: NEW BUSINESS

The following items of new business were introduced:

1. Mr. Ewing moved and Mrs. Fanconi seconded the following:

Resolved, That the Board of Education schedule a discussion with members of our advisory committee and with appropriate county agency officials of the service reform initiative now underway with the purpose of informing the Board of the nature of this initiative, the roles MCPS and other service providers ought to play and do play in delivering service to at-risk children and their families, what needs to be done that is not now planned or is not now being done, and to identify what it is that is needed from MCPS in the future in order for this initiative to succeed for these children and their families.

2. Ms. Gutierrez moved and Ms. Baker seconded the following:

<u>Resolved</u>, That the Board of Education schedule a discussion of the proposed state policy on multicultural education and that the Board consider the preparation and adoption of its own policy on multicultural education in MCPS. (See also ITBS 93-33)

Re: ITEM OF INFORMATION

Board members received an item of information on a Recommendation for Approval of Revised Objectives for Contemporary Issues.

RESOLUTION NO. 613-93 Re: ADJOURNMENT

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education adjourn its meeting at 11:40 p.m.

PRESIDENT	
SECRETARY	

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