APPROVED 9-1997 Rockville, Maryland February 4, 1997

The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Tuesday, February 4, 1997, at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL Present: Mr. Reginald M. Felton, President

in the Chair Dr. Alan Cheung Mr. Blair G. Ewing

Mrs. Beatrice B. Gordon Ms. Ana Sol Gutiérrez Mrs. Nancy J. King Ms. Mona M. Signer Ms. Rachel A. Prager

Dr. Paul L. Vance, Secretary/Treasurer

#indicates student vote does not count. Four votes needed for adoption.

Re: **ANNOUNCEMENT**

Mrs. King announced that Mr. Felton would be joining the meeting in progress since he was testifying before the County Council on MCPS' Capital Improvements Budget.

RESOLUTION NO. 64-97 Re: **BOARD AGENDA - FEBRUARY 4, 1997**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Gordon seconded by Ms. Signer, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve the agenda for February 4, 1997.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1998 OPERATING BUDGET (Special Education Staffing) FAILED

On motion of Mr. Ewing and seconded by Ms. Gutiérrez to restore 11.6 teachers that have been cut from the Secondary Learning Centers, Speech and Language, and Vision programs at a cost of \$510,796 failed with Mr. Ewing and Ms. Gutiérrez voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. King, (Ms. Prager), and Ms. Signer voting in the negative; Dr. Cheung abstaining.#

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1998 OPERATING BUDGET (Special Education Staffing) FAILED

On motion of Mr. Ewing and seconded by Ms. Gutiérrez to restore six teachers to be distributed throughout the Secondary Learning Centers, Speech and Language, and Vision programs at a cost of \$235,014 failed with Mr. Ewing and Ms. Gutiérrez voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. King, (Ms. Prager), and Ms. Signer voting in the negative; Dr. Cheung abstaining.#

* Mr. Felton joined the meeting at this point.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1998 OPERATING BUDGET (Longview and Stephen Knolls Schools) FAILED

On motion of Mr. Ewing and seconded by Ms. Gutiérrez to adopt the committee's proposal which among other things retains music and art teachers at a cost of approximately \$77,000 failed with Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, and Ms. Gutiérrez voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. King, (Ms. Prager), and Ms. Signer voting in the negative; Mr. Felton abstaining.#

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1998 OPERATING BUDGET (Legal Fees) FAILED

On motion of Mr. Ewing and seconded by Ms. Gutiérrez to take \$200,000 of the legal fees increase to employ two additional in-house counsel failed with Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Ms. Gutiérrez, and (Ms. Prager) voting in the affirmative; Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. King, and Ms. Signer voting in the negative.#

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1998 OPERATING BUDGET (Legal Fees) FAILED

On motion of Mr. Ewing and seconded by Ms. Gutiérrez to increase legal fees by \$200,000 failed with Mr. Ewing and Ms. Gutiérrez voting in the affirmative; Dr, Cheung, Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. King, (Ms. Prager), and Ms. Signer voting in the negative.#

Mr. Ewing made the following comment for the record: "I will be here next year when we do the budget. I am going to get a copy of remarks made with respect to the comments on what we expect to happen and compare them with what in fact happens next year. I hope I am proven wrong. I do not think I will be."

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1998 OPERATING BUDGET (Noyes Children's Center) FAILED

On motion of Ms. Gutiérrez and seconded by Mr. Ewing to add \$50,000 for contractual part-time funds failed with Mr. Ewing and Ms. Gutiérrez voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cheung, Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. King, (Ms. Prager), and Ms. Signer voting in the negative.#

Re: A MOTION BY DR. CHEUNG TO AMEND THE FY 1998 OPERATING BUDGET (Systemwide Telephone Services) FAILED

On motion of Dr. Cheung and seconded by Ms. Gutiérrez to reduce funds for systemwide telephone services by \$315,000 failed with Dr. Cheung, Ms. Gutiérrez and Mrs. King voting in the affirmative; Mr. Ewing voting in the negative; Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, (Ms. Prager), and Ms. Signer abstaining.#

Re: A MOTION BY DR. CHEUNG TO AMEND THE FY 1998 OPERATING BUDGET (Systemwide Telephone Services) FAILED

On motion of Ms. Gutiérrez and seconded by Dr. Cheung to reduce funds for systemwide telephone services by \$131,000 failed with Dr. Cheung, Ms. Gutiérrez and Mrs. King voting in the affirmative; Mr. Ewing and Mr. Felton voting in the negative; Mrs. Gordon, (Ms. Prager), and Ms. Signer abstaining.#

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1998 OPERATING BUDGET (Division of Staffing) FAILED

On motion of Mr. Ewing and seconded by Dr. Cheung to add \$20,000 for professional parttime funds to support investigative activities of the Division of Staffing failed with Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, and Ms. Gutiérrez voting in the affirmative; Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. King, (Ms. Prager,) and Ms. Signer voting in the negative.#

Re: A MOTION BY MS. GUTIERREZ TO AMEND THE FY 1998 OPERATING BUDGET (Transportation) FAILED

On motion of Ms. Gutiérrez and seconded by Mr. Ewing to restore the walking distance to 1.75 miles at a cost of \$281,000 failed with Mr. Ewing and Ms. Gutiérrez voting in the

affirmative; Dr. Cheung, Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, and Mrs. King voting in the negative; Ms. Signer abstaining.#

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1998 OPERATING BUDGET (Extracurricular Activities) FAILED

On motion of Mr. Ewing and seconded by Ms. Gutiérrez to eliminate fees for extracurricular activities failed with Mr. Ewing and Ms. Gutiérrez voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cheung, Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, and Mrs. King voting in the negative; Ms. Signer abstaining.#

RESOLUTION NO. 65-97 Re: AN AMENDMENT OF THE FY 1998 OPERATING BUDGET (Grants)

On motion of Mr. Ewing and seconded by Dr. Cheung, the following motion was adopted with Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mr. Felton, and Ms. Gutiérrez voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. King, and Ms. Signer voting in the negative:#

<u>Resolved</u>, That the FY 1998 Operating Budget be amended to add personnel to support the seeking of grants and in support of the Education Foundation at a cost of \$85,873.

Re: AN AMENDMENT OF THE FY 1998 OPERATING BUDGET (Office of School Administration)

On motion of Mr. Ewing and seconded by Ms. Gutiérrez, the following motion was placed on the table and the vote was postponed until more information was provided:

<u>Resolved</u>, That the FY 1998 Operating Budget be amended to add funds to the Office of School Administration to support the directors with administrative functions in schools at a cost of \$271,046.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

PRESIDENT		
SECRETARY		