Rockville, Maryland APPROVED 51-1983 August 22, 1983 The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in regular session at the Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Monday, August 22, 1983, at 8:40 p.m. Present: Mr. Blair G. Ewing, President in the ROLL CALL Chair Mrs. Suzanne K. Peyser Mrs. Marilyn J. Praisner Dr. Robert E. Shoenberg Absent: Dr. James E. Cronin Dr. Marian L. Greenblatt Mr. Peter Robertson Mrs. Odessa M. Shannon Others Present: Dr. Wilmer S. Cody, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Harry Pitt, Deputy Superintendent Dr. Robert S. Shaffner, Executive Assistant Mr. Thomas S. Fess, Parliamentarian Re: Announcements

Mr. Ewing announced that the Board had met in executive session on personnel matters and to consult with legal counsel. Dr. Cronin had been present for executive session but had another commitment for the evening. Dr. Greenblatt was on vacation, and Mrs. Shannon was attending a government training course.

Resolution No. 712-83 Re: Board Agenda - August 22, 1983

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

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve its agenda for August 22, 1983.

Resolution No. 713-83 Re: BOE Case 1983-29

On motion of Mrs. Praisner seconded by Mrs. Peyser, the following resolution was adopted unanimously: Resolved, That the Board of Education deny the appeal in BOE Case 1983-29, a student transfer.

Resolution No. 714-83 Re: BOE Case 1983-31

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

Resolved, That the Board of Education refer BOE Case 1983-31 (transportation appeal) to the superintendent for review of safety factors for all students.

Mr. Ewing stated that if it were determined there were no overriding safety factors, the appeal would be denied. If the study showed there were safety factors, transportation would be provided.

Re: Board Member Comments

1. Mrs. Peyser reported that the Board had received letters and calls from parents who were disturbed that no transportation was being provided their children who had been accepted in gifted and talented programs in Areas 2 and 3. She asked about how many children were provided transportation to programs for the gifted in other parts of the county and what it would cost to provide transportation for these students. She also asked about the cost of transportation to the Edison Career Center or to other special programs other than programs for the handicapped.

2. Mrs. Peyser asked about the writing awards and whether there would be a ceremony and a book containing the work of the winners. Dr. Cody replied that there would be a ceremony honoring the winners at a Board meeting in the fall. Mrs. Peyser said she was concerned because so few elementary schools participated in the program. She pointed out that some of the principals who had received bonuses had not participated in the program. She hoped that next year all principals would participate.

3. Mr. Ewing said that some members of the Board and the superintendent had attended the Maryland Association of Counties meeting last weekend. One of the features was a report by Benjamin Civiletti on the work of the task force to study the funding of public education in Maryland as well as a report from the chairman of the committee on pension reform. The superintendent had agreed that Mrs. Lois Stoner should monitor the meetings of the Civiletti group. Mr. Ewing thought that it was important that the Board make every effort to communicate its views to these groups.

4. Mr. Ewing hoped that the Board would schedule a meeting with the Montgomery County Delegation in the near future to discuss a variety of issues.

5. Mr. Ewing explained that he had a concern about an issue dealing with special education placements, and the superintendent had agreed to look into this. The Board was cut out of the placement process although the Board did have a responsibility for funding. He thought that the Board should be better informed about those placements and able to have some impact on them.

6. Mr. Ewing recalled that in the past the Board officers had met with MCCPTA leadership. He said that he had met with Mrs. Nancy

Dacek and would continue to hold those meetings.

Re: New Business

Mrs. Peyser moved and Mrs. Praisner seconded that the Board discuss the matter of information to the public about appeals to the Board and that this matter be placed on a future agenda when all Board members were expected to be present.

Re: Board/Press/Visitor Conference

The following individuals appeared before the Board.

- 1. Mr. Edward Smith, teacher and member of MCEA
- 2. Mr. Robert Hazlinger
- 3. Ms. Jane Stern, president of MCEA

Re: Special Olympics Video Tape

Board members viewed the video tape of the 1983 Montgomery County Special Olympics. Board members and staff praised the leadership, dedication, and efforts of Mr. Ralph Crawson, Special Olympics coordinator.

Resolution No.	715-83	Re:	Bid 150-83,	Air Cond	ditioning	and
			Temperature	Control	Service (Contract

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

WHEREAS, The Board of Education awarded a contract to Williard, Inc., for \$48,984 at its meeting on July 12, 1983; and

WHEREAS, According to information available after the award was made, Williard Inc., did not meet the established prebid qualifications; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the contract award to Williard, Inc., be rescinded; and be it further

Resolved, That having been duly advertised May 4, 1983, the contracts for the air conditioning and temperature control service contract for the period of July 13, 1983, through June 14, 1984, under Invitation to Bid 150-83 be awarded to the low bidders meeting specifications as follows:

Dollar Volume Line Items Awarded

Boland Trane Services,	Inc.	
Rockville, Maryland	\$29,308	2

Carrier Corp.			
Rockville, Maryland		21,000	1
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	Total	\$50,308	3

Resolution No. 716-83 Re: Bid 103-83, Microcomputers and Related Equipment

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

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted for the purchase of microcomputers and related equipment; now therefore be it

Resolved, That having been duly advertised July 25, 1983, the contract for the furnishing of microcomputers and related equipment for the period of August 23, 1983, through April 10, 1984, under Invitation to Bid 203-83 be awarded to the low bidder meeting specifications as follows:

Dollar Volume Line Items Awarded

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\$25,600

Atlantic Business Systems Rosslyn, Virginia

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Resolution No. 717-83

Re: Bid 8-84, Driver Education Behind the Wheel Training

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

WHEREAS, Funds have been provided for the on-street, behind-the-wheel training for driver education in the FY 1984 Operating Budget; and

WHEREAS, Efforts are necessary to keep these costs at present levels by contracting to one or more commercial driving schools; now therefore be it

Resolved, That having been duly advertised August 1, 1983, the contract for the furnishing of driver education behind-the-wheel training for the period of September 14, 1983, through June 16, 1984, under Invitation to Bid 8-84 be awarded to the low bidder meeting specifications as follows:

Dollar Volume Line Items Awarded

Easy Method, Inc.		
Silver Spring, Maryland	\$222,600	1

Resolution No. 718-83 Re: FY 1984 Categorical Transfer Within the Maryland Department of State Planning Grant

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

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized, subject to County Council approval, to effect the transfer below in the FY 1984 Maryland Department of State Planning Grant:

	Category	From	То
10	Fixed Charges	\$4,955	
01	Administration		\$4,955

and be it further

Resolved, That the county executive be requested to recommend approval of this resolution to the County Council and that a copy be sent to the county executive and County Council.

Resolution No. 719-83

Re: FY 1984 Categorical Transfer Within the American Indian Education Program

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

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized, subject to County Council approval, to effect the following transfer within the FY 1984 American Indian Education Program funded under Title IV of the Indian Education Act:

	Category		From	То
03	Instructional	Other		\$640
10	Fixed Charges		\$640	

and be it further

Resolved, That the county executive be requested to recommend approval of this transfer to the County Council and a copy be sent to the county executive and County Council.

Resolution No. 720-83 Re: Submission of an FY 1984 Grant Proposal to Enhance Writing Instruction Through Use of the Microcomputer

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

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to submit an FY 1984 grant proposal for approximately \$280,000 to the U.S. Department of Education under the Secretary's Discretionary Program to develop and try out software to enhance the teaching of the MCPS writing curriculum through use of microcomputers; and be it further

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

Resolution No. 721-83 Re: FY 1984 Categorical and Object Transfer Within the Operating Budget/Driver Education

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

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to effect the following object transfer within the FY 1984, Category 03, Other Instructional Costs:

	Object	From	То	
02	Contractual Services			\$130,834
04	Grants and Other	\$130,834		

and be it further

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized, subject to County Council approval, to effect the categorical transfer below in the FY 1984 Operating Budget:

Category	From	То
02 Instructional Salaries 03 Other Instructional Costs	\$101,776	\$101,776
and be it further		

Resolved, That the county executive be requested to recommend approval of this resolution to the County Council and that a copy be sent to the county executive and the County Council.

Resolution No. 722-83 Re: Architectural Appointment--Charles W. Woodward High School (Area 2)

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

WHEREAS, It is necessary to appoint an architect to accomplish a feasibility study on various options for constructing an auditorium at Woodward High School; and

WHEREAS, Staff has employed the Architect/Engineer Selection Procedures approved by the Board of Education in November, 1975; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education enter into a contractual agreement with the firm of Wolfberg/Alvarez/Taracido & Associates to provide a feasibility study on options for constructing an auditorium at Woodward High School for a fee of \$10,000.

Resolution No. 723-83 Re: Personnel Appointments and Transfer

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

Resolved, That the following personnel appointments and transfer be approved:

Appointment Robert J. Shekletski	Present Position Area Director for Educa- tional Services Area Administrative Office	As Area Assoc.Superin- tendent Area Administrative Office Effective 9/23/83
James T. Terrill	Assistant Principal Gaithersburg High School	Principal Martin Luther King Junior High School Effective 8/23/83
Dorinda D. Jolles	Assistant Principal Sherwood High School	Supervisor of Secondary Instruction Area Admin. Office Grade 0 Effective 8/23/83
Mary Helen K. Smith	Administrative Assistant to the Deputy Supt.	Supervisory of Secondary Instruction Area Admin. Office Grade 0 Effective 8/23/83
Barbara J. Butera		Psychologist, Half-time Area Admin. Office Grade G Effective 9/1/83
Transfer	From	То
Charles Murkey	Assistant Principal Gaithersburg Junior High	Assistant Principal Gaithersburg High School Effective 8/23/83
Resolution No. 724-83	Re: Response to Schifte	er Committee

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

Resolved, That the president of the Board of Education convey the points raised and agreed to in Board discussion to the Schifter Committee on Reuse of Closed Schools; and be it further

Resolved, That elements of the discussion raised by individual Board members also be conveyed to the Committee.

Re: Item of Information

Board members received an item of information on MORE report on Accounting and Financial Services.

Resolution No. 725-83 Re: Adjournment

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

Resolved, That the Board of Education adjourn its meeting at 11:15 ${\rm p.m.}$

President

Secretary

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