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February 8, 1996

The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Thursday, February 8, 1996, at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL Present: Ms. Ana Sol Gutiérrez, President  
in the Chair  
Mr. Stephen Abrams  
Dr. Alan Cheung  
Mr. Blair G. Ewing  
Mr. Reginald Felton  
Mrs. Beatrice B. Gordon  
Mrs. Nancy King  
Mr. Charles McCullough

Absent: None

Others Present: Dr. Paul L. Vance, Superintendent  
Mrs. Katheryn W. Gemberling, Deputy  
Mr. Larry A. Bowers, Acting Deputy

Re: ANNOUNCEMENT

It was announced that Mr. Abrams was present and in the Board Conference Room observing the meeting. He will be available to vote on all motions. The student board members vote does not count in budgetary actions. His vote is recorded with his name in parenthesis.

RESOLUTION NO. 77-96 Re: AGENDA FOR FEBRUARY 8, 1996

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

Resolved, That the Board of Education adopt its agenda for February 8, 1996.

Re: FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET AND  
SUPERINTENDENT'S PROPOSED  
AMENDMENTS

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Felton seconded by Mr. McCullough seconded the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Board of Education amend the superintendent's FY 1997 Operating Budget with the following:

1. High School Enrollment Revision - (\$357,742);
2. Local Travel Mileage Reimbursement - \$33,407;

3. Six-Year Bus Replacement Schedule for FY 1997-FY 2002 - (\$654,318);
4. Occupational/Physical Therapy Services - \$200,000;
5. Augmentative Assistive Technology - \$50,000;
6. Conversion of 1.0 Vocational Assessment Teacher in the Transition Services Unit from 10-month to 12-month - 11,259;
7. Administrative Support at Blair High School - \$74,802;
8. Loss of Federal Title VI Funds and Shift of Program Costs to Local Funds - (\$191,781);
9. Increase the Field Trip Enterprise Fund Fee Rate Charged for Services from \$18.80 to \$24.68 per Hour - \$0.

Re: ACTIONS ON FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET

Ms. Gutiérrez explained that it would take a motion and a second and four votes (student board member votes do not count on budget decisions) to put an amendment to the budget on the tentative list for final budget consideration.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE  
FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET -  
BOARD AMENDMENTS (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing and seconded by Mr. McCullough to amend the FY 1997 Operating Budget by approving all tentative Board actions taken on February 5 and 6, 1996, failed with Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Ms. Gutiérrez, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, and Mrs. King voting in the negative.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE  
FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET -  
TRANSPORTATION FEE TO INCREASE HEAD  
START CLASSES

A motion by Mr. Ewing and seconded by Dr. Cheung to impose a \$25.00 student transportation fee as administered in accordance with the superintendent's directives and the increased revenue would be utilized to expand Head Start by 17 classes.

RESOLUTION NO. 78-96 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO MR. EWING'S MOTION

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

Resolved, That the Board of Education increase the student transportation fee to \$50.00.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. ABRAMS TO STRIKE  
REFERENCE TO HEAD START FROM  
MR. EWING'S AMENDMENT (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Abrams and seconded by Mrs. Gordon to strike reference to Head Start classes in connection with imposing a student transportation fee of \$50.00 failed with Mr. Abrams, Mrs. Gordon, and Mrs. King voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mr. Felton, Ms. Gutiérrez and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the negative.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE  
FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET -  
TRANSPORTATION FEE TO INCREASE HEAD  
START CLASSES AS AMENDED (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing and seconded by Dr. Cheung to impose a \$50.00 student transportation fee as administered in accordance with the superintendent's directives and the increase of revenue would be utilized to expand Head Start by 17 classes failed with Mr. Abrams, Dr. Cheung, and Mr. Ewing voting in the affirmative; Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, Ms. Gutiérrez, Mrs. King, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the negative.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. MCCULLOUGH TO AMEND  
THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET - \$25.00  
USER FEE TO SUPPORT MIDDLE SCHOOLS  
EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. McCullough and seconded by Ms. Gutiérrez to impose a \$25.00 per semester fee on high and middle school students to participate in extracurricular activities and reinstate middle school sports failed with (Mr. McCullough) voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, Ms. Gutiérrez, and Mrs. King voting in the negative.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY  
1997 OPERATING BUDGET - UNFUNDED  
ACCRUED LIABILITY

A motion by Mr. Ewing and seconded by Dr. Cheung to reduce the payment to the unfunded accrued liability by an amount that would be half the payment in the superintendent's budget or \$4,372,464 with the intent to support improvements.

Re: POSTPONEMENT OF MR. EWING'S  
PROPOSED MOTION ON UNFUNDED  
ACCRUED LIABILITY

It was the consensus of the Board of Education to postpone voting on this amendment until all other amendments had been proposed.

RESOLUTION NO. 79-96      Re: TENTATIVE AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1997  
OPERATING BUDGET - HEAD START

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

Resolved, That the FY 1997 Operating Budget be amended to expand Head Start by 17 classes.

RESOLUTION NO. 80-96      Re: TENTATIVE AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1997  
OPERATING BUDGET - TRANSPORTATION  
FEE

On motion of Dr. Cheung and seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted with Mr. Abrams, Dr. Cheung, Mrs. Gordon, and Mrs. King voting in the affirmative; Mr. Ewing, Ms. Gutiérrez, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the negative; Mr. Felton abstaining.

Resolved, That the FY 1997 Operating Budget be amended to add \$50.00 transportation fee as administered in accordance with the superintendent's directives.

RESOLUTION NO. 81-96      Re: TENTATIVE AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1997  
OPERATING BUDGET - MIDDLE SCHOOL  
SPORTS

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

Resolved, That the FY 1997 Operating Budget be amended to have an interscholastic athletic program at the mid-level that would include one boy and one girl activity each season and the cost would be \$512,294 to be offset by charging a \$20 per semester activity fee at the mid-level and high school level for any activities resulting in \$642,880. Any revenue above the cost of the activity could be used by each school.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET, TRAINING AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing and seconded by Dr. Cheung to amend the FY 1997 Operating Budget to add \$70,000 for training for policy implementation including research on the issues related to implementation of the policy, research on how to train those who implement the policy, preparation for that training, development of materials for training, training the trainers with a primary emphasis on middle school implementation along with reading and language arts failed with Mr. Ewing and Dr. Cheung voting in the affirmative; Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, Ms. Gutiérrez, Mrs. King, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the negative.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET, TRAINING AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing and seconded by Dr. Cheung to amend the FY 1997 Operating Budget to add \$50,000 for tuition reimbursement for training and education to be provided in accord with school system and Board of Education priorities only failed with Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, and Ms. Gutiérrez voting in the affirmative; Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. King, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the negative.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET, ACADEMIC PROGRAMS (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing and seconded by Ms. Gutiérrez to amend the FY 1997 Operating Budget to add \$50,000 for curricula audits in the areas of social studies and language failed with Mr. Ewing, and Ms. Gutiérrez voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cheung, Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. King, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the negative.

RESOLUTION NO. 82-96

Re: TENTATIVE AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET, SPECIAL EDUCATION

On motion of Mr. Ewing and seconded by Dr. Cheung, the following resolution was adopted with Mr. Abrams, Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Ms. Gutiérrez, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the affirmative; Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, and Mrs. King voting in the negative.

Resolved, That the FY 1997 Operating Budget be amended to add 6.0 speech/language pathologists (\$267,774).

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET, SPECIAL EDUCATION (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing and seconded by Ms. Gutiérrez to amend the FY 1997 Operating Budget to add \$200,000 to legal fees failed with Mr. Ewing, Ms. Gutiérrez, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Dr. Cheung, Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, and Mrs. King voting in the negative.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET, SPECIAL EDUCATION (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing and seconded by Ms. Gutiérrez to amend the FY 1997 Operating Budget to add \$200,000 to the Division of Placement and Assessment Services to help cover tuition costs for students in non-public placements that result from settlements failed with Mr. Ewing, Ms. Gutiérrez, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Dr. Cheung, Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, and Mrs. King voting in the negative.

Re: A MOTION BY DR. CHEUNG TO AMEND THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET, ACADEMIC PROGRAMS (FAILED)

A motion by Dr. Cheung and seconded by Mr. Ewing to amend the FY 1997 Operating Budget to add one art teacher and one music teacher failed with Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Ms. Gutiérrez, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, and Mrs. King voting in the negative.

Re: A MOTION BY MS. GUTIÉRREZ TO AMEND THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET, ESOL (FAILED)

A motion by Ms. Gutiérrez and seconded by Mr. Ewing to amend the FY 1997 Operating Budget to add \$100,000 to the adult ESOL program to reestablish the same level of services prior to reduction of \$100,000 by the Board last year failed with Mr. Ewing, Ms. Gutiérrez, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Dr. Cheung, Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, and Mrs. King voting in the negative.

At this point the Board of Education voted on all tentative amendments to the FY 1997 Operating Budget.

Re: AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET, ALL-DAY KINDERGARTEN (FAILED)

On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Dr. Cheung, a tentative amendment to expand all-day kindergarten to 10 schools failed with Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Ms. Gutiérrez, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Mrs. Gordon, and Mrs. King voting in the negative; Mr. Felton abstaining.

Re: ALTERNATIVE AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET, ALL-DAY KINDERGARTEN (FAILED)

On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Dr. Cheung, an alternative amendment to expand all-day kindergarten to seven schools failed with Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, and Ms. Gutiérrez voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, and Mrs. King voting in the negative.

RESOLUTION NO. 83-96 Re: ALTERNATIVE AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET, ALL-DAY KINDERGARTEN

On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Dr. Cheung, the following resolution was adopted with Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mr. Felton, Ms. Gutiérrez, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Mrs. Gordon, and Mrs. King voting in the negative.

Resolved, That the FY 1997 Operating Budget be amended by adding five all-day kindergarten classes for an approximate amount of \$579,025.

RESOLUTION NO. 84-96 Re: ALTERNATIVE AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET, MEDIA SPECIALISTS

On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Dr. Cheung, the following resolution was adopted with Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mr. Felton, Ms. Gutiérrez, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Mrs. Gordon, and Mrs. King voting in the negative.

Resolved, That the FY 1997 Operating Budget be amended by adding 10 media specialists and reducing six media assistants (\$322,102).

Re: AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1997 OPERATING  
BUDGET, CLASS SIZE (FAILED)

On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Dr. Cheung, a tentative amendment to reduce the average class size to half way from what they were from FY 1995 to FY 1996 in all schools (\$2,500,000) failed with Mr. Ewing, Ms. Gutiérrez, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Dr. Cheung, Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, and Mrs. King voting in the negative.

Re: AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1997 OPERATING  
BUDGET, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL  
ACCOUNTABILITY (FAILED)

On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Dr. Cheung, a tentative amendment to add \$40,000 to professional part-time for the Department of Education Accountability (\$10,000 allocated to acceleration of the accountability report) failed with Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, and Ms. Gutiérrez voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. King, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the negative.

RESOLUTION NO. 85-96            Re: AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1997 OPERATING  
BUDGET, HEAD START

On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Dr. Cheung, the following resolution was adopted with Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mr. Felton, Ms. Gutiérrez, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Mrs. Gordon, and Mrs. King voting in the negative.

Resolved, That the FY 1997 Operating Budget be amended by adding 17 Head Start classes to serve all eligible students at a cost of \$1,405,152.

RESOLUTION NO. 86-96            Re: AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1997 OPERATING  
BUDGET, TRANSPORTATION

On motion of Dr. Cheung seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted with Mr. Abrams, Dr. Cheung, Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, and Mrs. King voting in the affirmative; Mr. Ewing, Ms. Gutiérrez, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the negative.

Resolved, That the FY 1997 Operating Budget be amended by adding a \$50 transportation fee to generate a revenue of \$2,920,000.





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anybody is representative, we are. We are elected by the public. We ought to do what we think is right. I hope we will. I do not think we did in every case this year.@

RESOLUTION NO. 91-96            Re:    ADJOURNMENT

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Felton seconded by Dr. Cheung, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved. That the Board of education adjourn its meeting at 11:25 p.m.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

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