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TEXT:

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The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Tuesday, February 19, 1991, at 8:20 p.m.

ROLL CALL Present: Mr. Blair G. Ewing, President

in the Chair

Mrs. Frances Brenneman

Mr. David Chang
Dr. Alan Cheung
Mrs. Sharon DiFonzo
Mrs. Carol Fanconi
Ms. Ana Sol Gutierrez
Mrs. Catherine E. Hobbs

Absent: None

Others Present: Dr. Harry Pitt, Superintendent

Dr. Paul L. Vance, Deputy Superintendent

Mr. Thomas S. Fess, Parliamentarian

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

RESOLUTION NO. 163-91 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1992

OPERATING BUDGET, EXTENDED YEAR

EMPLOYMENT AND FUEL

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

RESOLVED, That the FY 1992 Operating Budget be amended by the restoration of \$102,287 in extended year employment funds and \$219,477 in fuel funds.

RESOLUTION NO. 164-91 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1992

OPERATING BUDGET, FOURTH GRADE

SWIMMING PROGRAM

On motion of Mrs. DiFonzo seconded by Ms. Gutierrez, the following resolution was adopted unanimously#:

RESOLVED, That the FY 1992 Operating Budget be amended by the deletion of \$133,136 for the fourth grade swimming program.

Re: A MOTION BY MRS. DIFONZO TO AMEND THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET, MINIGRANT PROGRAM

Mrs. DiFonzo moved and Mr. Chang seconded a proposed resolution to amend the FY 1992 Operating Budget by deleting \$500,944 for minigrants.

Mrs. Hobbs assumed the chair.

RESOLUTION NO. 165-91 Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION ON THE MINIGRANT PROGRAM

On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Mr. Chang, the following resolution was adopted unanimously#:

RESOLVED, That the proposed resolution to amend the FY 1992 Operating Budget be amended by adding a Resolved clause as follows:

RESOLVED, That of the amount remaining in the program, an amount not to exceed \$40,000, be utilized for an assessment and the development of future program recommendations, unless the superintendent recommends a larger amount.

Mr. Ewing assumed the chair.

RESOLUTION NO. 166-91 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET, MINIGRANTS

On motion of Mrs. DiFonzo seconded by Mr. Chang, the following resolution was adopted with (Mr. Chang), Dr. Cheung, Mrs. DiFonzo, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Fanconi, Ms. Gutierrez, and Mrs. Hobbs voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Brenneman voting in the negative#:

RESOLVED, That the FY 1992 Operating Budget be amended by the deletion of \$550,944 for minigrant programs; and be it further

RESOLVED, That of the amount remaining in the program, an amount not to exceed \$40,000, be utilized for an assessment and the development of future program recommendations, unless the superintendent recommends a larger amount.

Re: A MOTION BY MRS. BRENNEMAN TO AMEND THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET (FAILED)

A motion by Mrs. Brenneman to amend the FY 1992 Operating Budget by increasing the school size to 500 for curriculum specialists for a savings of \$296,744 for 8.5 positions failed for lack of a second#.

Re: A MOTION BY MRS. BRENNEMAN TO AMEND THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET (FAILED)

A motion by Mrs. Brenneman to amend the FY 1992 Operating Budget by increasing the school size to 525 for curriculum specialists for a savings of \$523,655 for 15 positions failed with Mrs. Brenneman, (Mr. Chang), and Mrs. DiFonzo voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Fanconi, Ms. Gutierrez, and Mrs. Hobbs voting in the negative#.

Re: A MOTION BY MS. GUTIERREZ TO AMEND THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET (FAILED)

A motion by Ms. Gutierrez to amend the FY 1992 Operating Budget by deleting \$1,255,225 for the elementary school outdoor education program (for one year only) failed for lack of a second#.

RESOLUTION NO. 167-91 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET, OUTDOOR EDUCATION

On motion of Mrs. Brenneman seconded by Mr. Ewing, the following resolution was adopted with Mrs. Brenneman, (Mr. Chang), Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Fanconi, Ms. Gutierrez, and Mrs. Hobbs voting in the affirmative; Mrs. DiFonzo abstaining#:

RESOLVED, That the FY 1992 Operating Budget be amended by deleting \$138,765 for the eighth grade outdoor education program; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the superintendent be requested to look at possible savings in the elementary school outdoor education and return to the Board with this information.

Mrs. DiFonzo made the following statement for the record:

"I will divide the question in my mind. I would have supported

the eighth grade portion. I will not support the other portion."

RESOLUTION NO. 168-91 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET, FIELD TRIPS

On motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Ms. Gutierrez, the following resolution was adopted unanimously (Mr. Chang being temporarily absent)#:

RESOLVED, That the FY 1992 Operating Budget be amended by deleting \$5,500 for field trips for gifted and talented students.

RESOLUTION NO. 169-91 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1992
OPERATING BUDGET, INTERSCHOLASTIC
SPORTS, MID-LEVEL

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

RESOLVED, That the FY 1992 Operating Budget be amended by deleting \$843,212 for interscholastic sports at the mid-level and by adding \$200,000 for mid-level interscholastic programs.

For the record, Mr. Chang made the following statement:

"I will vote against this motion, mostly because of my conscience, but also because of concerns that I have had from constituents, both adults and students. My first problem is that the support that Mrs. Fanconi mentioned from the Mid-level Task Force was fairly limited considering the community reaction that it had from athletic departments at junior high schools and PTA organizations and the like. I know that many administrators in the system, especially Mr. Ed Masood, who had expressed concerns. The first concern I had which is also one concern that he had would be that it would, in fact, affect the classroom. mentioned that you don't want anything to affect reading, math, and social studies, but I think this will affect the classroom. I participated in mid-level sports, basketball and track and field, and I enjoyed it just as much as the school work, sometimes even more. I think that the benefit it had is very similar to the outdoor education program, team building and self-More importantly though is school spirit. I think that at the mid-level students do need a considerable amount of school My second point is we are targeting the mid-level, and mid-level students might be very offended. I know that we have to make cuts like this, but I am wondering how that might be perceived. My third point is in terms of competition.

set up intramural sports, there might not be enough interest in some schools for some particular activities and the transition is not there between the competition with intramurals and the competition of high school sports. The competition of high school sports is overwhelming, and it could have very serious negative effect if you are not prepared from the mid-level sports I think that would promote an unhealthy transition from junior high to high school. We do need to help kids grow. need to make them healthy in the classroom and out of the classroom, and we need to keep them out of trouble. exactly why I will vote against this. As a last resort, I would prefer this to something like eliminating the seven-period day, but if we could find some kind of alternative, I am sensing there might be five votes for this motion, but if there might be alternatives to reduce the number of sports, reduce the length of season, reduce the hours of practice, or reduce it to two or three sports a season."

RESOLUTION NO. 170-91 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET, DRIVER EDUCATION

On motion of Dr. Cheung seconded by Ms. Gutierrez, the following resolution was adopted unanimously#:

RESOLVED, That the FY 1992 Operating Budget be amended by deleting \$1,097,000 for the driver education program and adding \$180,000 for driver education in Adult Education to run a fully reimbursable program for 1,200 students.

Re: A MOTION BY MRS. HOBBS TO AMEND THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET (FAILED)

A motion by Mrs. Hobbs to amend the FY 1992 Operating Budget by adding \$50,000 to supplies and materials for the Sherwood High School media center to make it compatible to a new high school media center failed with Mrs. Fanconi and Mrs. Hobbs voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Brenneman, Dr. Cheung, Mrs. DiFonzo, Mr. Ewing, and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the negative; Mr. Chang being temporarily absent#.

Re: A MOTION BY MRS. HOBBS TO AMEND THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET (FAILED)

A motion by Mrs. Hobbs to amend the FY 1992 Operating Budget by deleting \$91,602 for the ninth grade basketball program failed for lack of a second#.

Re: A MOTION BY MRS. HOBBS TO AMEND THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET (FAILED)

A motion by Mrs. Hobbs to amend the FY 1992 Operating Budget by deleting \$110,646 for the high school swimming program failed for lack of a second#.

Mrs. Hobbs assumed the chair.

RESOLUTION NO. 171-91 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET, GRANTS COORDINATOR

On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Mrs. Fanconi, the following resolution was adopted with Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Fanconi, Ms. Gutierrez, and Mrs. Hobbs voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Brenneman, (Mr. Chang), and Mrs. DiFonzo voting in the negative#:

RESOLVED, That the FY 1992 Operating Budget be amended by the addition of \$60,000 for a grants coordinator to identify sources of funds, both public and private, and work to obtain increase funding in a variety of areas, particularly areas of high priority; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the grants coordinator would also work with the Educational Foundation and the Television Foundation.

RESOLUTION NO. 172-91 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1992
OPERATING BUDGET, CENTRAL OFFICE
REDUCTIONS

On motion of Mrs. Brenneman seconded by Dr. Cheung, the following resolution was adopted unanimously#:

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education confirm tentative amendments to the FY 1992 Operating Budget, Central Office.

Re: A MOTION BY DR. CHEUNG TO AMEND THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET, AREA OFFICE REDUCTIONS

Dr. Cheung moved and Mr. Chang seconded that the Board of Education confirm tentative amendments to the FY 1992 Operating Budget, Area Offices.

Re: A MOTION BY MRS. DiFONZO TO AMEND THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET (FAILED)

A motion by Mrs. DiFonzo to amend the FY 1992 Operating Budget by restoring \$500,000 for the cut in area offices failed with Mrs.

DiFonzo voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Brenneman, (Mr. Chang), Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Fanconi, Ms. Gutierrez, and Mrs. Hobbs voting in the negative#.

RESOLUTION NO. 173-91 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET, AREA OFFICES

On motion of Dr. Cheung seconded by Mr. Chang, the following resolution was adopted unanimously#:

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education confirm tentative amendments to the FY 1992 Operating Budget, Area Offices.

RESOLUTION NO. 174-91 Re: NOTIFICATION OF HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS REGARDING THE SEVEN-PERIOD DAY

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

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education request the superintendent to ask principals to plan ahead by asking students to indicate what courses they would not take if the seven-period day were cut.

Re: A MOTION BY MRS. FANCONI TO AMEND THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET

Mrs. Fanconi moved and Dr. Cheung seconded that the Board of Education confirm tentative amendments to the FY 1992 Operating Budget.

Re: A MOTION BY MRS. DiFONZO TO AMEND THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET (FAILED)

A motion by Mrs. DiFonzo to amend the FY 1992 Operating Budget by restoring \$2.9 million in cuts in the Unfunded Accrued Liability failed with Mrs. DiFonzo voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Brenneman, (Mr. Chang), Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Fanconi, Mrs. Hobbs, and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the negative.

RESOLUTION NO. 175-91 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET, BOARD OFFICE

On motion of Mrs. DiFonzo seconded by Mrs. Brenneman, the following resolution was adopted with Mrs. Brenneman, Mrs. DiFonzo, Mrs. Fanconi, and Mrs. Hobbs voting in the affirmative; (Mr. Chang), Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the negative#:

RESOLVED, That the FY 1992 Operating Budget be amended by the deletion of \$45,000 for a staff analyst position, Board Office.

Re: A MOTION BY MS. GUTIERREZ TO AMEND THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET (FAILED)

A motion by Ms. Gutierrez to amend the FY 1992 Operating Budget by deleting \$66,498 for two bus mechanic positions failed with (Mr. Chang), Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Brenneman, Mrs. DiFonzo, Mrs. Fanconi, and Ms. Hobbs voting in the negative#.

Re: A MOTION BY MS. GUTIERREZ TO AMEND THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET (FAILED)

A motion by Ms. Gutierrez to amend the FY 1992 Operating Budget by deleting \$33,249 for one bus mechanic position failed with (Mr. Chang), Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Brenneman, Mrs. DiFonzo, Mrs. Fanconi, and Ms. Hobbs voting in the negative#.

Re: A MOTION BY MRS. DiFONZO TO AMEND THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET (FAILED)

A motion by Mrs. DiFonzo to amend the FY 1992 Operating Budget by restoring \$38,006 for the central office receptionist position failed with (Mr. Chang), Mrs. DiFonzo, and Mrs. Fanconi voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Brenneman, Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Ms. Gutierrez, and Mrs. Hobbs voting in the negative#.

Re: A MOTION BY MRS. FANCONI TO AMEND THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET (FAILED)

A motion by Mrs. Fanconi to amend the FY 1992 Operating Budget by adding \$27,000 to restore laminating services failed with (Mr. Chang) and Mrs. Fanconi voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Brenneman, Dr. Cheung, Mrs. DiFonzo, Mr. Ewing, Ms. Gutierrez, and Mrs. Hobbs voting in the negative.

Re: A MOTION BY MRS. FANCONI TO AMEND THE FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET (FAILED)

A motion by Mrs. Fanconi to amend the FY 1992 Operating Budget by

adding \$20,000 to restore laminating services failed with Mrs. Fanconi and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Brenneman, (Mr. Chang), Dr. Cheung, Mrs. DiFonzo, and Mr. Ewing voting in the negative; Mrs. Hobbs abstaining#.

RESOLUTION NO. 176-91 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1992
OPERATING BUDGET, SENIOR HIGH
SCHOOLS

On motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Hobbs, the following resolution was adopted with Dr. Cheung, Mrs. Fanconi, Ms. Gutierrez, and Mrs. Hobbs voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Brenneman, (Mr. Chang), Mrs. DiFonzo, and Mr. Ewing voting in the negative#:

RESOLVED, That the FY 1992 Operating Budget be amended by deleting \$150,994 for senior high school gifted and talented coordinators.

RESOLUTION NO. 177-91 Re: FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET

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

RESOLVED, That the FY 1992 Operating Budget in the amount of \$762,002,674 be approved.

Re: A MOTION BY MS. GUTIERREZ TO HOLD AN EXECUTIVE SESSION (FAILED)

A motion by Mrs. Gutierrez that the Board hold an executive session on negotiations issues on February 20 failed with Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Fanconi, and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Brenneman, Mr. Chang, Mrs. DiFonzo, and Mrs. Hobbs voting in the negative.

Re: ADJOURNMENT

The president adjourned the meeting at 12:25 a.m.

PRESIDENT	

SECRETARY

HP:mlw