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The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Wednesday, February 3, 1993, at 7:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL Present: Dr. Alan Cheung, President

in the Chair
Mr. Stephen Abrams
Mrs. Frances Brenneman
Mr. Blair G. Ewing
Mrs. Carol Fanconi
Mrs. Beatrice Gordon
Ms. Ana Sol Gutierrez
Mr. Jonathan Sims

Absent: None

Others Present: Dr. Paul L. Vance, Superintendent

Mrs. Katheryn W. Gemberling, Deputy

Dr. H. Philip Rohr, Deputy

Mr. Thomas S. Fess, Parliamentarian

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

RESOLUTION NO. 76-93 Re: AMENDMENTS TO THE FY 1994 OPERATING

BUDGET

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

<u>Resolved</u>, That the following amendments to the FY 1994 Operating Budget be approved:

Reduction of \$1,311,068 for reduced enrollment projections (Kindergarten by 250, elementary by 250, middle school by 100, and high school enrollment by 150).

Reduction of \$166,071 in utility costs.

Addition of \$229,217 for implementing recommendations of Report on Gender Equity in Athletics.

Total cost of superintendent's recommended budget is now \$788,791,507.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1994 OPERATING BUDGET, ALL-DAY KINDERGARTENS (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing to amend the FY 1994 Operating Budget by adopting a six-year plan for the implementation of all-day Kindergarten in all schools starting with 2.5 percent in FY 1994 for a budget increase of \$209,000 failed with Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Mrs. Brenneman, Mrs. Fanconi, Mrs. Gordon, and (Mr. Sims) voting in the negative.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1994 OPERATING BUDGET, ALL-DAY KINDERGARTEN

Mr. Ewing moved and Ms. Gutierrez seconded a motion to amend the FY 1994 Operating Budget by adding \$75,000 for two positions and some start-up costs to add a mixture of all-day and half-day kindergartens to two schools.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. ABRAMS TO AMEND MR. EWING'S PROPOSED AMENDMENT ON ALL-DAY KINDERGARTEN (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Abrams to amend Mr. Ewing's motion by applying the same criteria used for other schools currently having all-day kindergarten to make the corresponding cuts to satisfy the expansion into other schools at a no-cost budget item failed for lack of a second.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1994 OPERATING BUDGET, ALL-DAY KINDERGARTEN (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing to amend the FY 1994 Operating Budget by adding \$75,000 for two positions and some start-up costs to add a mixture of all-day and half-day kindergartens to two schools failed with Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Mrs. Brenneman, Mrs. Fanconi, Mrs. Gordon, and (Mr. Sims) voting in the negative.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1994 OPERATING BUDGET, AIDES IN GRADES 1 AND 2 (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing to amend the FY 1994 Operating Budget by adding \$271,375 for 20 FTE (12.5 positions) aides for Grades 1 and 2 failed with Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Mrs. Brenneman, Mrs. Fanconi, Mrs. Gordon, and (Mr. Sims) voting in the negative.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1994 OPERATING BUDGET, AIDES IN GRADES 1 AND 2 (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing to amend the FY 1994 Operating Budget by adding \$135,688 for 10 FTE aides for Grades 1 and 2 failed with Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Mrs. Brenneman, Mrs. Fanconi, Mrs. Gordon, and (Mr. Sims) voting in the negative.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. ABRAMS TO AMEND THE FY 1994 OPERATING BUDGET, GENDER EQUITY MONITORING POSITION (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Abrams to amend the FY 1994 Operating Budget by deleting \$45,375 for the gender equity monitoring position with the intention of introducing the position in next year's budget failed with Mr. Abrams, Mrs. Brenneman, and Mrs. Gordon voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Fanconi, Ms. Gutierrez, and (Mr. Sims) voting in the negative.

Re: A MOTION BY MS. GUTIERREZ TO AMEND THE FY 1994 OPERATING BUDGET, CAREER INFORMATION POSITIONS (FAILED)

A motion by Ms. Gutierrez to amend the FY 1994 Operating Budget by reducing the career information positions in the high schools from 12-month to 10-month status in the amount of \$143,363 failed for lack of a second.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1994 OPERATING BUDGET, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY

Mr. Ewing moved and Mrs. Fanconi seconded a motion to restore \$68,000 to the two units in the Department of Educational Accountability.

RESOLUTION NO. 77-93 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO MR. EWING'S MOTION TO AMEND THE FY 1994 OPERATING BUDGET, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY

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

Resolved, That Mr. Ewing's proposed motion to amend the FY 1994

Operating Budget by restoring \$68,000 to the two units in the Department of Educational Accountability be amended to commit part of these resources to do a study of all-day kindergarten.

RESOLUTION NO. 78-93 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1994
OPERATING BUDGET, DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY

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

Resolved, That the FY 1994 Operating Budget be amended to restore \$68,000 to the two units in the Department of Educational Accountability with the understanding that part of the resources would be committed to do a study of all-day kindergarten.

RESOLUTION NO. 79-93 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1994 OPERATING BUDGET, CHAPTER I

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

Resolved, That the FY 1994 Operating Budget be amended by adding \$230,052 for two additional schools in Chapter I.

RESOLUTION NO. 80-93 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1994 OPERATING BUDGET, CHAPTER I

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

Resolved, That the FY 1994 Operating Budget be amended by adding \$115,026 for one additional school in Chapter 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 81-93 Re: FY 1994 OPERATING BUDGET, CHAPTER I

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

<u>Resolved</u>, That the FY 1994 Operating Budget reflect the Board's approval of a three-year plan for Chapter I.

RESOLUTION NO. 82-93 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1994
OPERATING BUDGET, ENRICHED AND
INNOVATIVE INSTRUCTION

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

<u>Resolved</u>, That the FY 1994 Operating Budget be amended by the addition of \$191,058 for .2 coordinators for gifted and talented at middle level schools.

RESOLUTION NO. 83-93 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1994 OPERATING BUDGET, ESOL/BILINGUAL

On motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Ms. Gutierrez, the following resolution was adopted with Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Fanconi, and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Brenneman, Mrs. Gordon, and (Mr. Sims) voting in the negative; Mr. Abrams did not indicate a vote#:

<u>Resolved</u>, That the FY 1994 Operating Budget be amended by the addition of \$35,760 for an additional position on the bilingual assessment team.

Re: A MOTION BY MRS. FANCONI TO AMEND THE FY 1994 OPERATING BUDGET, LEGAL SERVICES

A motion by Mrs. Fanconi to amend the FY 1994 Operating Budget in legal services by deleting the \$70,000 for the additional position and making the appropriate adjustment in the line for legal expenses failed with Mrs. Fanconi and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Brenneman, Mrs. Gordon, and (Mr. Sims) voting in the negative.

Re: REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONAL BUDGET INFORMATION

Board members requested the following information:

- 1. Mr. Abrams asked for a paper showing where the superintendent's amendments to the budget would go in the budget book.
- 2. Mrs. Brenneman inquired about the possibility of eliminating one of the field offices versus the increased cost for mileage of personnel housed in those centers. Dr. Vance asked that the report of the committee on utilization and space be shared with the Board.

- 3. Mrs. Gordon asked whether they had data comparisons on achievement between MCPS students in all-day Kindergarten as opposed to those in half-day programs.
- 4. Mr. Sims requested information on how much a user fee would have to be to get the cost to \$200,000 for restoring soccer, basketball, and track for boys and girls at the middle school level. Mrs. Fanconi suggested asking the superintendent to provide an evaluation of intramural sports and what else could be done such as contracting out or having teams sponsored by businesses. Dr. Cheung asked the staff to look into exploring other ways of offering the program; however, he emphasized that this was no longer a budget item.
- 5. Mr. Ewing requested that the description of the functions of the office of school administration explain that they were not fulfilling the functions of the former area offices.
- 6. Mrs. Fanconi suggested expanding the narrative about the Department of Educational Accountability by showing the studies done and the use of those studies, the work needed for MSPP, and the statement from the management letter about auditing.
- 7. Dr. Vance asked staff to provide information to the Board on the impact of adding one person to the bilingual assessment team. Ms. Gutierrez inquired about speech therapy for non-English speaking children and where an additional position could be provided.
- 8. Dr. Vance agreed to contact the dental association to see about obtaining pro bono dental care for Head Start children.
- 9. In regard to staff development, Mr. Ewing asked for information on what they could do with an addition of \$50,000 or \$100,000 to the two units. Ms. Gutierrez suggested that they needed better write-ups for the two units because the descriptions did not reflect the reductions in staff development services.
- 10. Board members requested a brief paper on possible cost reductions in the area of cable television by going to one channel. Mr. Sims suggested that any paper include an indication of whether cable television staff felt they had achieved the goals they set out to accomplish. Mr. Ewing also questioned the situation with regard to the supervisory roles of some positions. Ms. Gutierrez requested information on the benefits of making cable television an enterprise fund.
- 11. In regard to the school library media programs, Mrs. Fanconi suggested that language be added to assure people that there would be some monitoring and assessing of the co-mingling of funds in the various school accounts.

- 12. Dr. Vance asked that the Board be provided with the rationale for adding a position to the legal services unit.
- 13. Mr. Ewing requested information on what could be done for a reasonably modest cost to increase the effectiveness of the Department of Information so that the public would be better informed about the business of the school system.

RESOLUTION NO. 84-93 Re: ADJOURNMENT

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

<u>Resolved</u>, That the Board of Education adjourn its meeting at 11:55 p.m.

PRESIDENT	
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