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June 11, 1996

The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in regular session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Tuesday, June 11, 1996, at 9:02 a.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

Others Present: Dr. Paul L. Vance, Superintendent  
Mrs. Katheryn W. Gemberling, Deputy  
Mr. Larry A. Bowers, Acting Deputy  
Ms. Rachel Prager, Student Board Member-Elect

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

RESOLUTION NO. 380-96 Re: **RETIREMENT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC  
SCHOOLS PERSONNEL**

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

WHEREAS, The persons listed below are retiring from Montgomery County Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, Each person, through outstanding performance of duties and dedication to the education of our youth, has made a significant contribution to the school system which is worthy of special commendation; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the members of the Board of Education express their sincere appreciation to each person for faithful service to the school system and to the children of the county and also extend to each one best wishes for the future; and be it further

Resolved, That this resolution be made part of the minutes of the meeting and a copy be forward to each retiree. (A list of retirees appended to the file copy of these minutes.)

RESOLUTION NO. 381-96

Re: **AGENDA - JUNE 11, 1996**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Abrams seconded by Mrs. King adopted the following resolution unanimously:

Resolved, That the Board of Education remove Item 8.8 (Affiliation of MCSMOB with MABE) and approve the remaining agenda for its June 11, 1996, meeting.

Re: **ADOPTION OF FINAL FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Gordon seconded by Mr. Felton, the following resolution was put on the table for discussion:

WHEREAS, The Board of Education adopted an FY 1997 Operating Budget of \$923,300,664 on February 28, 1996; and

WHEREAS, As a result of the Fiscal Year 1996 strategic planning process in the Office of Global Access Technology, a new organizational plan for the Office of Global Access Technology has been submitted to the Board of Education by the superintendent and staff realignments have been recommended to provide coordinated services to all computer users; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education's FY 1997 Operating Budget Request included a middle school interscholastic athletics program and a \$20 per semester extracurricular activities fee for middle and high school students to fund the new program; and

WHEREAS, The County Council eliminated the appropriation request of \$642,880 for the middle school interscholastic athletics program and indicated that, if the Board of Education implements the program and charges a fee, a supplemental appropriation request should be submitted to the County Council after July 1, 1996; and

WHEREAS, The County Council made reductions of \$8,159,567 from the various state budget categories, as shown in the following schedule, in appropriating \$915,141,097 for the Board of Education's FY 1997 Operating Budget:

<u>Category</u>	<u>BOE Approved as of 2/28/96</u>	<u>County Council Reduction</u>	<u>Council Approved on 5/7/96</u>
1 Systemwide Support	\$ 29,122,106	(\$ 373,711)	\$ 28,748,395
2 Instructional Salaries	459,107,881	(2,772,721)	456,335,160
3 Other Instructional Costs	26,930,594	(1,492,644)	25,437,950
4 Special Education	102,231,316	(30,067)	102,201,249
5 Student Personnel Services	2,613,501		2,613,501
6 Health Services	22,420		22,420
7 Student Transportation	42,402,007	(1,339,926)	41,062,081

8	Operation of Plant	56,847,344	( 511,490)	56,335,854
9	Maintenance of Plant	18,514,287	( 194,066)	18,320,221
10	Fixed Charges	155,533,180	(1,441,942)	154,091,238
14	Community Services	<u>622,646</u>	<u>(3,000)</u>	<u>619,646</u>
	Current Fund Subtotal	\$893,947,282	(\$8,159,567)	\$885,787,715
41	Adult Ed/Summer School Fund	2,113,992		2,113,992
51	Real Estate Management Fund	1,141,441		1,141,441
61	Food Service Fund	24,579,791		24,579,791
71	Field Trip Fund	<u>1,518,158</u>		<u>1,518,158</u>
	Enterprise Fund Subtotal	\$ 29,353,382		29,353,382
	All Funds	<u>\$923,300,664</u>	<u>(\$8,159,567)</u>	<u>\$915,141,097</u>

now therefore be it

Resolved, That, based on an appropriation of \$915,141,097, that includes an appropriation of \$33,015,228 for restricted grants and \$29,353,382 for enterprise funds, approved by the County Council on May 22, 1996, the Board of Education adopt its FY 1997 Operating Budget reflecting the changes shown in Schedule A; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education affirm its support for the negotiated agreements with its employee organizations and for the 2.0 percent increase in salary that they contain; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve for FY 1997 the reorganization plan for the Office of Global Access Technology and related administrative realignments to improve technology services, including the elimination of 10.5 positions and the creation of 10.5 other positions in the FY 1997 Operating Budget and 3.5 FY 1997 Capital Budget positions as shown on Schedule B; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education supports the \$20 per semester extracurricular activities fee for secondary students that will be used to support a middle school interscholastic athletics program; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education requests the superintendent to prepare for the Board of Education's consideration an implementation plan that includes a supplemental appropriation request for the middle school interscholastic athletics program to be funded with anticipated extracurricular activities fee revenues to the County Council after July 1, 1996; and be it further

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

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

On motion of Mr. Ewing and seconded by Ms. Gutiérrez that the item for the reduction of legal fees be increased to \$169,495 and the position that is to be reduced in Academic Programs be restored failed with Mr. Ewing and Ms. Gutiérrez voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Dr. Cheung, 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(FAILED)**

On motion of Mr. Ewing and seconded by Dr. Cheung to combine the two training units and the savings generated be utilized for reading teachers 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.#

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

On motion of Ms. Gutiérrez and seconded by Mr. Ewing to combine the training units and allocate that funding to defray the charges for evening high school students failed with Mr. Ewing, Ms. Gutiérrez and Mr. McCullough voting the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Dr. Cheung, Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, and Mrs. King voting in the negative.#

**Re: A MOTION TO AMEND THE FY 1997 OPERATING  
BUDGET**

On motion of Mr. Ewing and seconded by Dr. Cheung, the following resolution was put on the table:

Resolved, That the Board of Education create from two teacher positions a program to be designed in Academic Programs to continue the curriculum and training efforts in Interrelated Arts.

**Re: A MOTION BY MR. ABRAMS TO TABLE THE MOTION  
(FAILED)**

On motion of Mr. Abrams and seconded by Mrs. Gordon to table the motion to allow more time for a comprehensive presentation to create from two teacher positions a program to be designed in Academic Programs to continue the curriculum and training efforts in Interrelated Arts failed with Mr. Abrams and Mrs. King voting in the affirmative;

Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mr. Felton, Ms. Gutiérrez, and Mr. McCullough voting in the negative; Mrs. Gordon abstaining.#

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

On motion of Mr. Ewing and seconded by Dr. Cheung to create from two teacher positions a program to be designed in Academic Programs to continue the curriculum and training efforts in Interrelated Arts 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.#

Re: **A MOTION TO AMEND THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET**

On motion of Mr. Felton and seconded by Ms. Gutiérrez, the following resolution was placed on the table for discussion:

Resolved, That the Board of Education ask for a supplemental appropriate for the Head Start program in the amount of \$464,946 and that the superintendent continue to review the program for any efficiencies.

Re: **A MOTION BY MR. ABRAMS TO AMEND THE MOTION (FAILED)**

On motion of Mr. Abrams and seconded by Mrs. King to amend Mr. Felton's motion that the Head Start program be properly renamed in the budget and all system references be to Head Start Plus; further provided that the supplemental appropriation request be forwarded to the Montgomery County Council in the amount of \$464,946 to provide the ability to extend Head Start Plus to all students projected to meet MCPS' current eligibility requirements; provided further that the school system provide to the Board no later than October 15, 1996, in addition to the materials discussed by the superintendent in his presentation, a series of options to deliver Head Start Plus in a more cost effective manner without damaging the quality of the program, including at least one school run off-site option and at least one alternative certification option; provided further that at the same time, the system provides to the Board an assessment of whether the effectiveness of Head Start Plus could be enhanced by changing the delivery of the early years services in offering an extended enrichment program through the fifth grade, failed Mr. Abrams voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mr. Felton, Ms. Gutiérrez, and Mrs. King voting in the negative; Mrs. Gordon and Mr. McCullough abstaining.

RESOLUTION NO. 382-96

Re: **A MOTION TO AMEND THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET**

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

Resolved, That the Board of Education ask for a supplemental appropriate for the Head Start program in the amount of \$464,946 and that the superintendent continue to review the program for any efficiencies.

\* Mr. Abrams left the meeting at this point.

Re: **A MOTION BY MRS. KING TO AMEND THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET (FAILED)**

On motion of Mrs. King and seconded by Mrs. Gordon to reduce the added number of media specialists and transfer those funds to provide for 3.5 reading teacher positions at the mid-level failed with Mrs. Gordon, Ms. Gutiérrez, Mrs. King, and Mr. McCullough voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, and Mr. Felton voting in the negative.#

The Board of Education recessed for lunch and closed session from 1:05 to 3:05 p.m.

Re: **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The following people came before the Board to testify:

1. Muriel Friefield
2. Lawrence deBivort
3. Michael Calsetta
4. Ross Weisiger
5. Judith Dighe
6. Rabbi Krantz
7. Stephen Lanham-Tarason, Montgomery County Association for Administrative and Supervisory Personnel
8. David Harris, American Jewish Assembly

RESOLUTION NO. 383-96

Re: **PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS MORE THAN \$25,000**

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

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted for the purchase of equipment, supplies, and contractual services; and

WHEREAS, It is recommended that Bid No. 160-96, Computers, be rejected due to lack of responsive bidding; and

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted for the five-year lease/purchase of the docutech publishing system for the Office of Global Access Technology; now therefore be it

Resolved, That Bid No. 160-96, Computers, be rejected; and be it further

Resolved, That the docutech publishing system be lease/purchased under the Master Lease Equipment Purchase Agreement; and be it further

Resolved, That having been duly advertised, the following contracts be awarded to the low bidders meeting specifications as shown for the bids as follows:

87-94 Lamps - Extension

Awardee

C.N. Robinson Lighting Supply Company \$ 223,944

48-95 Drug/Alcohol Testing Program - Extension

Awardees

Concerned Care Columbia	
T/A Immediate Care Medical Center	\$ 3,698
Corning National Center for Forensic Science	<u>23,900</u>
Total	\$ 27,598

134-95 Hardwood Wood Chips - Extension

Awardee

Metro Ground Covers \$ 32,000

139-95 Paint and Paint Sundries - Extension

Awardees

Baltimore Paint Authority	\$ 476	*
Duron, Inc.	42,826	
The Glidden Company	3,772	
Lasting Paints Inc.	4,926	
McCormick Paint Works Company	<u>583</u>	
Total	\$ 52,583	

235-95 Computers for Global Access, Media Hubs, Instructional Classrooms and Administrative Use - Extension

Awardees

Daly Computers		*
Data Networks, Inc.		
Gateway 2000, Inc.		
PC Technologies Inc. dba Entre' Computer Center		
Total	\$1,800,000	

246-95 LAN/WAN Communication Equipment - Extension

Awardees

Cisco Systems, Inc.		
Commart, Inc.		
Landon Systems Corporation		
Total	\$ 450,000	

37-96 Scanner Forms and Scanning Machines - Extension

Awardee

National Computer Systems, Inc.	\$ 102,944	
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52-96 Custodial Equipment

Awardees

Abel Industries, Inc.	\$ 7,600	
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Indco (Independence Chemical Company)	5,378
Unisource	2,780
Viking Chemicals, Inc.	<u>22,800</u> *
Total	\$ 38,558

54-96 Groceries and Staples

Awardees

Alliant Foodservice, Inc.	\$ 6,464
Carroll County Foods, Inc.	86,936
Dori Foods, Inc.	65,866
Interstate Gourmet Coffee Roaster's, Inc.	25,798
Mazo-Lerch Company, Inc.	36,268
Princess Ann Products	157,048
Sandler Foods - Contract Division	28,609
Smelkinson Sysco	<u>96,657</u>
Total	\$ 503,646

55-96 Floor Maintenance Supplies

Awardees

Huntington Laboratories, Inc.	\$ 7,508
Unisource	<u>217,360</u>
Total	\$ 224,868

110-96 Cafeteria Disposable Supplies

Awardees

Acme Paper and Supply Company, Inc.	\$ 66,528
Calico Industries, Inc.	10,350
Kahn Paper Company, Inc.	92,788
PK International Company, Inc.	10,703 *
S. Freedman and Sons, Inc.	39,531
Smelkinson Sysco	<u>72,105</u>
Total	\$ 292,005

126-96	Lease/Purchase of Docutech Publishing System	
	<u>Awardee</u>	
	Xerox Corporation	\$ 37,000
128-96	Custom Science Kits II	
	<u>Awardees</u>	
	Delta Education, Inc.	\$ 16,366
	Nasco	22,353
	National Resource Network, Inc.	3,298
	Sci-Ma Education, Inc.	47,138
	Sempco, Inc.	<u>85,860</u> *
	Total	\$ 175,015
129-96	Maintenance Service on Standard, Oil Immersion and Stereo Microscopes and Balances	
	<u>Awardees</u>	
	Alpha and Omega Service	
	Dominion Microscope, Inc.	
	Total	\$ 30,000
163-96	Computer and Peripheral Equipment Maintenance	
	<u>Awardees</u>	
	Computech International, Inc.	*
	Integrated Systems Group, Inc.	*
	Management Systems Services, Inc.	
	Orange Systems	
	Sync Data, Inc.	
	Total	\$ 50,000
	MORE THAN \$25,000	\$4,040,161

\* Denotes MFD vendors

RESOLUTION NO. 384-96            Re:    **PRESENTATION OF PRELIMINARY PLANS - JOHN F. KENNEDY HIGH SCHOOL**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. King seconded by Mr. Felton, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:#

WHEREAS, The architect for the modernization and addition to John F. Kennedy High School has prepared a schematic design in accordance with the educational specifications; and

WHEREAS, The John F. Kennedy High School Facilities Advisory Committee has approved the proposed schematic design; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve the preliminary plan report for the modernization and addition to John F. Kennedy High School developed by Smolen + Associates, Architects.

RESOLUTION NO. 385-96            Re:    **AWARD OF CONTRACT - MONTGOMERY BLAIR HIGH SCHOOL SITE WORK**

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

WHEREAS, The following bids were received on May 30, 1996, for site work for the Montgomery Blair High School project, with work to begin June 15, 1996, and to be completed in accordance with the project master schedule:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
AccuBid Excavation, Inc.	\$2,694,000
Cherry Hill Construction, Inc.	3,171,100
The Driggs Corporation	3,757,900
S. W. Rodgers Co., Inc.	3,966,760
Pleasants Construction, Inc.	3,979,802

and

WHEREAS, AccuBid Excavation, Inc., has completed similar work successfully for Montgomery County Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, The low bid is below the architect's estimate of \$2,900,000; now therefore be it

Resolved, That a contract for \$2,694,000 be awarded to AccuBid Excavation, Inc., for site work for the Montgomery Blair High School project, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by SHW Group, Inc., Architects.

RESOLUTION NO. 386-96            Re:    **AWARD OF CONTRACT - RITCHIE PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

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

WHEREAS, The following bids were received on May 23, 1996, for the modernization of Ritchie Park Elementary School, with work to begin immediately and be completed by August 1, 1997:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Henley Construction Co., Inc.	\$ 4,535,125
Meridian Construction Co., Inc.	4,648,200
Hess Construction Co., Inc.	4,658,200
R. J. Crowley, Inc.	4,699,000
Kimmel & Kimmel, Inc.	4,729,144
The Gassman Corporation	4,809,000

and

WHEREAS, Henley Construction Co., Inc., has completed similar projects successfully for Montgomery County Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, The low bid is below the staff estimate of \$4,570,000; now therefore be it

Resolved, That a contract for \$4,535,125 be awarded to Henley Construction Co., Inc., for the modernization of Ritchie Park Elementary School, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by Smolen + Associates, Inc., Architects.

RESOLUTION NO. 397-96            Re:    **AWARD OF CONTRACT - ACCESSIBILITY MODIFICATIONS AT RICHARD MONTGOMERY HIGH SCHOOL**

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

WHEREAS, The following sealed bids to install an elevator and modify the toilet rooms at Richard Montgomery High School were received on May 22, 1996, with the work to be

substantially completed between June 20, 1996, and August 20, 1996, and the remainder to be completed by September 20, 1996:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Keller Brothers, Inc.	\$ 297,000
Signature Construction, Inc.	298,833
Golden Construction, Inc.	321,589
R. J. Crowley, Inc.	341,200
Construction-Commercial, Inc.	342,400
William F. Klingensmith, Inc.	373,000
Meridian Construction Co., Inc.	362,000
Porter Construction Management, Inc.	384,000
Smith & Haines, Inc.	389,000

and

WHEREAS, The low bid is below the budget estimate of \$350,000, and the low bidder has completed similar projects successfully for Montgomery County Public Schools; now therefore be it

Resolved, That a contract for \$297,000 be awarded to Keller Brothers, Inc., for accessibility modifications at Richard Montgomery High School, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by Murray & Associates, Architects.

**RESOLUTION NO. 388-96            Re:    RELOCATION OF LOCALLY-OWNED AND LEASED MODULAR CLASSROOM BUILDINGS**

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

WHEREAS, The following sealed bids were received on May 30, 1996, to relocate locally-owned and leased modular classroom buildings, with work to begin immediately and to be completed by August 9, 1996:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
J & L Services, Inc.	\$ 218,970
EMH Environmental, Inc.	224,499

and

WHEREAS, J & L Services, Inc., has completed similar projects successfully for Montgomery County Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, The low bid is below the staff estimate of \$250,000; now therefore be it

Resolved, That a contract for \$218,970 be awarded to J & L Services, Inc., for the relocation of locally-owned and leased modular classroom buildings at various locations, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by the Department of Facilities Management.

RESOLUTION NO. 389-96            Re:    **AWARD OF CONTRACT - STEPS, DECKS, RAMPS, CANOPIES, SKIRTING, AND HANDRAILS FOR MODULAR CLASSROOM BUILDINGS**

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

WHEREAS, The following bid was received on May 31, 1996, to provide steps, decks, ramps, canopies, skirting, and handrails for modular classroom buildings at various schools, with work to begin immediately and to be completed by August 16, 1996:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Cynthia M. Hastings, Inc., T/A H & H Enterprises	\$343,500

and

WHEREAS, Cynthia M. Hastings, Inc., has completed similar work successfully for Montgomery County Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, Although only one bid was received, it is below the staff estimate of \$355,000; now therefore be it

Resolved, That a contract for \$343,500 be awarded to Cynthia M. Hastings, Inc., T/A H & H Enterprises, to provide steps, decks, ramps, canopies, skirting, and handrails for modular classroom buildings at various schools, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by the Department of Facilities Management.

RESOLUTION NO. 390-96      Re:    **AWARD OF CONTRACT - POOLESVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL**

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

WHEREAS, On April 22, 1996, the Board of Education approved rebidding the new Poolesville Middle School project because the low bid was substantially over the budget; and

WHEREAS, On May 30, 1996, the following bids were received:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Dustin Construction, Inc.	\$ 7,429,000
Henley Construction Co., Inc.	7,464,100
R. J. Crowley, Inc.	7,595,000
Columbia Construction Co., Inc.	7,905,000

and

WHEREAS, The low bid exceeds the available funds; and

WHEREAS, Staff and the project architect feel that no further reductions to the project cost can be achieved without affecting the program capacity; and

WHEREAS, Substantial budget cuts were made to the Poolesville Middle School project as part of the approved FY 1996 and 1997 Capital Budgets; now therefore be it

Resolved, That a contract for \$7,429,000 be awarded to Dustin Construction Co., Inc., for construction of the new Poolesville Middle School, contingent upon the County Council's approval of a \$1,150,000 emergency supplemental appropriation; and be it further

Resolved, That the county executive be requested to recommend approval of the supplemental appropriation to the County Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 391-96      Re:    **AWARD OF CONTRACT - ACCESSIBILITY MODIFICATIONS AT WOODLIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

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

WHEREAS, The following sealed bids to install a chairlift and modify the toilet rooms at Woodlin Elementary School were received on May 29, 1996, with work to begin on June 20, 1996, and to be completed by September 20, 1996:

<u>Bidder</u>		<u>Amount</u>
Golden Construction, Inc.	\$	89,899
Meridian Construction Co., Inc.		92,555
Keller Brothers, Inc.		95,000
Pro Tech Builders, Inc.		103,000
Porter Construction Management, Inc.		107,980
Signature Construction, Inc.		114,820
R. J. Crowley, Inc.		183,000

and

WHEREAS, The low bid is below the budget estimate of \$100,000, and the low bidder has successfully completed similar projects for Montgomery County Public Schools; now therefore be it

Resolved, That a contract for \$89,899 be awarded to Golden Construction, Inc., for accessibility modifications at Woodlin Elementary School, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by Murray & Associates, Architects.

**RESOLUTION NO. 392-96      Re:    AWARD OF CONTRACT - TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORK INSTALLATIONS AT VARIOUS SCHOOLS**

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

WHEREAS, The following sealed bids for telecommunications network installations in conjunction with the modernization and new construction at Flower Valley Elementary School and Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School (Seneca Valley Middle School #2) were received on May 29, 1996, with work to begin immediately and to be completed by August 1, 1996:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Computer Systems</u>	<u>Cable TV</u>	<u>Synoptics Equipment</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Flower Valley ES</u>				
Johnson Controls, Inc.	\$ 71,851	\$28,288	\$29,834	\$129,973
M. C. Dean, Inc.	84,875	29,000	78,734	192,609



<u>Martin Luther King, Jr. MS</u>				
Netcom Technologies,				
Inc.	108,800	31,000	62,300	202,100
Johnson Controls, Inc.	138,425	45,213	78,447	262,085

WHEREAS, The low bidders for the Flower Valley Elementary School and Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School telecommunications network installations have completed similar projects successfully for Montgomery County Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, The low bids are below the staff estimates of \$140,000 and \$220,000, respectively; now therefore be it

Resolved, That contracts for \$129,973 to Johnson Controls, Inc., and \$202,100 to Netcom Technologies, Inc., for the tele-communications network installations at Flower Valley Elementary School and Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School (Seneca Valley Middle School #2) be awarded, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by Von Otto & Bilecky, P.C.

RESOLUTION NO. 393-96            Re:    **ARCHITECTURAL APPOINTMENT - CONSOLIDATED PRINTING FACILITY**

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

WHEREAS, It is necessary to appoint an architectural firm to conduct a feasibility study of alternatives for combining the print shops of the Montgomery County Government and Montgomery County Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, The County Council has provided funds for conducting a feasibility study as part of the FY 1997 Capital Budget; and

WHEREAS, The Architectural Selection Committee, in accordance with procedures adopted by the Board of Education on May 13, 1986, identified Coastal Design, Ltd., as the most qualified firm to provide the necessary professional architectural and engineering services; and

WHEREAS, Staff has negotiated a fee for necessary architectural services; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Montgomery County Board of Education enter into a contractual agreement with the architectural firm of Coastal Design, Ltd., to provide professional architectural services for the Consolidated Printing Facility feasibility study project for a fee of \$25,000.

RESOLUTION NO. 394-96            Re:    **NAME FOR THE WATKINS MILL MIDDLE SCHOOL #2**

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

WHEREAS, A committee representing the Watkins Mill Middle School #2 community was formed to consider names for the new school in accordance with MCPS Policy FFA, Policy on Naming Schools; and

WHEREAS, A ballot listing the names of distinguished persons and geographic locations was distributed to the community to determine the favored name; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the new Watkins Mill Middle School #2 officially be named the Neelsville Middle School.

RESOLUTION NO. 395-96            Re:    **LEASE MODULAR CLASSROOM BUILDINGS**

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

WHEREAS, The County Council has approved the Board of Education's FY 1996 supplemental appropriation request for modular classrooms; and

WHEREAS, Funds were included in the appropriation request for five additional modular classrooms needed to address enrollment growth; and

WHEREAS, The following bids to lease the five classrooms have been obtained from qualified suppliers:

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>First Year's Cost (Per Unit)</u>	<u>Annual Cost Years 2-5 (Per Unit)</u>
GE Capital Modular Space, Inc.	\$5,892	\$4,692
Williams/Scotsman Group	8,050	7,500

and

WHEREAS, GE Capital Modular Space, Inc., has five new classroom units that can be delivered in time to have them ready for the opening of school in September; now therefore be it

Resolved, That a contract for \$29,460 be awarded to GE Capital Modular Space, Inc., for the first year's lease of five relocatable classrooms with options to extend the lease on an annual basis, as needed, at the rates quoted as part of the bid proposals.

RESOLUTION NO. 396-96            Re:    **RECOMMENDED FY 1996 CATEGORICAL TRANSFER  
WITHIN THE PROVISION FOR FUTURE SUPPORTED  
PROJECTS**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Felton seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:#

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to effect categorical transfers of \$600,000 within the FY 1996 Provision for Future Supported Projects, in accordance with the County Council provision for transfers, in the following categories:

<u>Category</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
1 Administration	\$ 250,000	
2 Instructional Salaries		\$ 300,000
3 Other Instructional Costs		300,000
4 Special Education	250,000	
10 Fixed Charges	<u>100,000</u>	_____
Total	\$ <u>600,000</u>	\$ <u>600,000</u>

and be it further

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

RESOLUTION NO. 397-96            Re:    **UTILIZATION OF FY 1996 FUTURE SUPPORTED  
PROJECT FUNDS FOR THE VIOLENCE PREVENTION  
PROGRAM AT MARK TWAIN SCHOOL**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Felton seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:#

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to receive and expend within the FY 1996 Provision for Future Supported Projects a grant award of \$5,800 from Kaiser Permanente for a Violence Prevention program at Mark Twain School in the following categories:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Amount</u>
4 Special Education	\$5,491
10 Fixed charges	<u>309</u>
Total	<u>\$5,800</u>

and be it further

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

RESOLUTION NO. 398-96      Re:    **UTILIZATION OF FY 1997 FUTURE SUPPORTED PROJECT FUNDS FOR PROJECT TEAM**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Felton seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:#

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to receive and expend within the FY 1996 Provision for Future Supported Projects a grant award of \$7,924 from the Montgomery County Private Industry Council under the Job Training Partnership Act for Project TEAM in the following categories:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Amount</u>
4 Special Education	\$ 7,386
10 Fixed Charges	<u>538</u>
Total	<u>\$ 7,924</u>

and be it further

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

RESOLUTION NO. 399-96      Re:    **UTILIZATION OF FY 1996 FUTURE SUPPORTED PROJECT FUNDS FOR SECONDARY SCIENCE PROGRAMS**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Felton seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:#

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to receive within the FY 1996 Provision for Future Supported Projects a grant award of \$255,000 from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute, through the Montgomery County Public Schools Educational Foundation, Inc., for three secondary science programs; and be it further

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to expend \$148,000 of the award to continue an internship program at the National Institutes of Health for biology teachers and students in the following categories:

<u>Category</u>		<u>Amount</u>
2 Instructional Salaries	\$	116,000
3 Other Instructional Costs		22,720
10 Fixed Charges		<u>9,280</u>
Total	\$	<u>148,000</u>

and be it further

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to expend \$67,000 of the award to continue a biotechnology training program in the following categories:

<u>Category</u>		<u>Amount</u>
2 Instructional Salaries	\$	29,000
3 Other Instructional Costs		35,680
10 Fixed Charges		<u>2,320</u>
Total	\$	<u>67,000</u>

and be it further

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to expend \$40,000 of the award for a laboratory instruction program in the following categories:

<u>Category</u>		<u>Amount</u>
2 Instructional Salaries	\$	8,000
3 Other Instructional Costs		31,360
10 Fixed Charges		<u>640</u>
Total	\$	<u>40,000</u>

and be it further

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

RESOLUTION NO. 400-96            Re:    **UTILIZATION OF FY 1996 FUTURE SUPPORTED PROJECT FUNDS FOR THE ELEMENTARY SCIENCE KIT REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Felton seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:#

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to receive and expend within the FY 1996 Provision for Future Supported Projects a grant award of \$100,000 from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute, through the Montgomery County Public Schools Educational Foundation, Inc., for the Elementary Science Kit Replacement Project, in the following category:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Amount</u>
3 Other Instructional Costs	\$100,000

and be it further

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

RESOLUTION NO. 401-96            Re:    **UTILIZATION OF FY 1996 FUTURE SUPPORTED PROJECT FUNDS FOR A NUTRITION SCIENCE TEACHER TRAINING PROJECT**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Felton seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:#

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to receive and expend within the FY 1996 Provision for Future Supported Projects a grant award of \$20,000 from the Maryland State Department of Education, under the Child Nutrition Act, for a Nutrition Science Teacher Training project, in the following categories:

	<u>Category</u>		<u>Amount</u>
2	Instructional Salaries	\$	3,600
3	Other Instructional Costs		16,094
10	Fixed Charges		<u>306</u>
	Total		<u>20,000</u>

and be it further

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

RESOLUTION NO. 402-96            Re:    **RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL OF REVISED OBJECTIVES FOR ALGEBRA 2**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Gordon seconded by Mrs. King, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:#

WHEREAS, The public school laws of Maryland specify that the county superintendent shall prepare courses of study and recommend them for adoption by the county Board (*The Annotated Code of the Public General Laws of Maryland, Education* [Volume], Sec. 4-205); and

WHEREAS, The public school laws of Maryland also state that the county Board, on the written recommendation of the county superintendent, shall establish courses of study for the schools under its jurisdiction (*Ibid.*, Sec. 4-110); and

WHEREAS, The *Program of Studies* is the document that contains all the prescribed curriculum elements, including instructional objectives, of all Montgomery County Public Schools curriculum programs and courses (Montgomery County Public Schools Regulation IFB-RA Development and Approval of Curriculum and Supporting Materials); and

WHEREAS, Excellence in curriculum can be maintained only by continuing attention to the need for curriculum change; and

WHEREAS, The Council on Instruction, charged by the superintendent with considering recommendations for curriculum change, has recommended approval of the revised curriculum for Algebra 2; and

WHEREAS, The superintendent recommends that the Board approves these revisions; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve the revised instructional objectives for Algebra 2 for publication in the *Program of Studies* as part of the Montgomery County Public Schools curriculum to become effective immediately.

RESOLUTION NO. 403-96      Re:    **MONTHLY PERSONNEL REPORT**

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

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve the monthly personnel report dated June 11, 1996.

RESOLUTION NO. 404-1996      Re:    **PERSONNEL APPOINTMENT**

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

Resolved, That the following personnel appointment be approved effective July 1, 1996:

<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Present Position</u>	<u>As</u>
Sharon A. Beischer	Acting Assistant Principal, Clopper Mill ES	Principal, Luxmanor ES

RESOLUTION NO. 405-96      Re:    **PERSONNEL APPOINTMENT**

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

Resolved, That the following personnel appointment be approved effective July 1, 1996:

<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Present Position</u>	<u>As</u>
Pamela G. Collins	Elementary Principal Trainee Rosemary Hills ES	Principal, Fox Chapel ES

RESOLUTION NO. 406-1996      Re:    **PERSONNEL APPOINTMENT**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Gordon seconded by Mr. Felton, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the following personnel appointment be approved effective July 1, 1996:



<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Present Position</u>	<u>As</u>
Betty J. Collins	Principal, South Lake ES	Principal, Galway ES

RESOLUTION NO. 407-1996 Re: **PERSONNEL APPOINTMENT**

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

Resolved, That the following personnel transfers be approved effective July 1, 1996:

<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Present Position</u>	<u>As</u>
Eileen Banks	Assistant Principal, Bel Pre ES	Assistant Principal, Rolling Terrace ES
Leroy Evans	Assistant Principal, Col. E. Brooke Lee MS	Assistant Principal, Gaithersburg MS
William Gordon III	Assistant Principal, Gaithersburg MS	Assistant Principal, Neelesville MS
Michael Tartamella	Assistant Principal, Tilden MS	Assistant Principal, Ridgeview MS

Re: **STATUS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE REORGANIZATION AND THE OFFICE OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION**

Dr. Vance invited the following people to the table: Dr. Joseph Villani, associate superintendent of Global Access Technology; Dr. Mary Helen Smith, acting associate superintendent for Instruction and Program Development; Dr. Hiawatha Fountain, associate superintendent for Pupil and Community Services; and Dr. Phinnize Fisher, associate superintendent for School Administration.

Mrs. Gemberling reported on the Office of School Administration (OSA). When OSA was first formed and directors were being assigned, administration conceptualized the directors working as a team. That concept has worked well; however, as central office services diminished it has been discovered that schools need to be more collaborative. The administration has looked at a structure that can be put in place that will contribute to the support of the schools and make realigned cluster assignments of the directors based on a contiguous model to enable school and directors to work on regional initiatives and issues. The issues examined were (1) realignment of central office program priorities; (2) special assignments for highly experienced principals; (3) encouragement of greater collaboration among schools; (4) realigning the field services with the directors for more

efficiency; (5) realigning training units with the directors in order for a trainer/consultant to develop a training model and structured sharing for improvement; as well as (6) contiguous cluster organization of directors.

Dr. Villani reported on the Office of Global Access Technology (GA). GA was formed as a transitional organization. Over the past 11 months, GA has implemented (1) network extension and integration; (2) staff training and instructional program support; (3) database management and applications development; (4) user support services; (5) improved communications; and (6) strategic planning efforts and organizational refinement in Global Access. These five functions provide for the basis and realignment of staff into logical service teams to further advance the mission of the office. Those teams are: (1) Administrative and Coordination Services Team; (2) Network and Computer Services Team; (3) Applications Development and Implementation Team; (4) Instructional Technology Support Team; and (5) User Services Team.

Dr. Cheung commended staff on the improved version of the organization to support the needs and functions of MCPS. He was excited about the strategic planning for instructional support and learning for students. He asked about the local area network (LAN) for the 25 schools, and how many were at each level? He also asked what the difference was between the LAN and the integrated research learning hub. Dr. Villani responded that the integrated research learning hub was the core of the LAN and the center from which the network spreads out into the classrooms during full global access implementation. Of the 25 schools, there are 13 high schools, 9 elementary schools, and 4 middle schools, as the emphasis has been on high schools.

Mr. Felton liked the concepts in the new design for OSA. Regarding the use of temporary teams of principals, he asked if this was a developmental process for leadership. Mrs. Gemberling answered that was one of the goals, but it would not be the only road to a directorship. There are not enough opportunities for principals, especially elementary, for seeing the system as a whole and working with the K-12 mode.

Mr. Felton liked the flexibility of GA and the shift to in-house expertise, but asked how staff are assured of continual training to keep up with technology advances as well as supplementing with contractual services. Dr. Villani responded that there are funds budgeted for consultants through the capital budget to maintain and extend the relationship with the current contractor, BDM. However, the contract calls for BDM to transfer information to staff through documentation and training as well as the professional responsibility of staff to remain current in the field.

Mr. Ewing through the implementation of administrative reorganization was headed in the right direction, and was pleased with the proposals for OSA and GA. The teams of highly experienced principals is a good idea. However, the issue remains on how the system can ensure that OSA staff, which is small, can discharge the responsibilities assigned to them

such as assessing programs and principals. The community still thinks that the directors should behave as area associate superintendents. Mr. Ewing asked for clarification of the following sentence: "Such strategies should actively involve the associate superintendent for school administration and the directors in helping to manage the opportunities provided to all schools and prioritize the infusion of intervention supports for targeted schools and clusters based on a consortia model of inter-office, inter-school and inter-cluster collaboration." Mrs. Gemberling replied that each school has an improvement plan and the priorities of each school are assessed. It was evident that it is difficult for a director to spend extended time on an intervention team and that was the reasoning behind the special assignments for highly experienced principals.

Mr. Ewing realized that the staff cannot help all schools all the time, and he asked what the criteria was for selecting schools that get added help. Mrs. Gemberling answered that data is examined in terms of meeting the goals for Success for Every Student. Dr. Vance stated that another prevailing criterion is the local and community norms and expectations based on the leadership in that school.

Ms. Gutiérrez was excited on the overall report for the administrative reorganization. She was enthusiastic for more discussion and details as the implementation process takes place. She asked about the special assignments for highly experienced principals and how the system backfills for them. She thought it would serve the school system well if the principals had been involved in forming innovative models to encompass their needs. Dr. Vance stated that there will be timely updates provided to the Board as the reorganization is implemented.

Ms. Gutiérrez commented on the proposal regarding the Office of Global Access Technology. In the beginning, the school system had an organization structure that was primarily a data system with an educational policy. The different approach was to have a project with a beginning and an end with special funding, goals and milestones. She wanted a better understanding of what the school system is moving toward with this reorganization. She was not sure that the school system was taking the opportunity in reengineering the office to flatten the organization, be innovative in contracting out, and creating less institutional permanence. The school system should not need this structure forever. She was concerned that the school system continues to have a very clear planning and implementation focus assuring equity throughout the school system.

Mrs. Gordon assumed that the Board was looking at an update of a transitional organization with the built in flexibility to deploy teams as the requirements for global access change within the system. Dr. Villani stated that a project team was put together last year. When global access is fully implemented, components will be shifted back to various offices such the Office for Instruction and Program Development.

Ms. Gutiérrez asked for clarification on the use of BDM is keeping MCPS in touch with the latest technology, technical vision and analysis. Those skills are not transferable to the school system staff who have educational skills. She would hate to see the school system develop system engineering expertise. Dr. Villani explained that part of the process is to retain some of BDM's consulting role and to develop professional advisory groups for the Global Access teams.

RESOLUTION NO. 408-96            Re:    **AGENDA - JUNE 11, 1996**

On motion of Mrs. Gordon and seconded by Dr. Cheung, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education amend its agenda to continue with the adoption of the final FY 1997 Operating Budget and reschedule Items 6.0 (QIE and Transfer Policies) and 7.0 (Final Action on Human Relations Policies ACE and ACF) until a time when the Board officers can reschedule those items.

RESOLUTION NO. 409-96            Re:    **A MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION ON READING TEACHERS FOR FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET**

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

Resolved, That the Board of Education reconsider the amendment regarding middle school reading teacher positions and those positions be reinstated and the cost be offset by a portion assigned to the high school media program.

RESOLUTION NO. 410-96            Re:    **A MOTION TO AMEND THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET (READING TEACHERS)**

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

Resolved, That the Board of Education offset the cut in reading teachers with the enhancement of \$140,000 from the Council which would fund approximately 3.5 reading teachers.

RESOLUTION NO. 411-96

Re: **A MOTION TO AMEND THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET (SCHOOL SECURITY)**

On motion of Mr. Ewing and seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present: #

Resolved, That the Board of Education take the reduction in the investigations/residency compliance unit and transfer to the enhancement for the school security program.

Re: **AN AMENDMENT BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET (FAILED)**

On motion of Mr. Ewing and seconded by Ms. Gutiérrez to amendment two resolves as follows:

Resolved, That the Board of education supports the \$20 per semester extracurricular activities fee for secondary students that will be used to support **secondary reading teacher**; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education requests the superintendent to prepare for the Board of Education's consideration an implementation plan that includes a supplemental appropriation request for **the secondary school reading teachers program** to be funded with anticipated extracurricular activities fee revenues to the County Council after July 1, 1996;

failed with 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: **AN AMENDMENT BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET (FAILED)**

On motion of Mr. Ewing and seconded by Ms. Gutiérrez to amend the green sheet by deleting the following:

WHEREAS, The Board of Education's FY 1997 Operating Budget Request included a middle school interscholastic athletics program and a \$20 per semester extracurricular activities fee for middle and high school students to fund the new program; and

WHEREAS, The County Council eliminated the appropriation request of \$642,880 for the middle school interscholastic athletics program and indicated that, if the Board of Education implements the program and charges a fee, a supplement appropriation request should be submitted to the County Council after July 1, 1996;

Resolved, That the Board of education supports the \$20 per semester extracurricular activities fee for secondary students that will be used to support a middle school interscholastic athletics program; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education requests the superintendent to prepare for the Board of Education's consideration an implementation plan that includes a supplemental appropriation request for the middle school interscholastic athletics program to be funded with anticipated extracurricular activities fee revenues to the County Council after July 1, 1996; 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.#

Re: **AN AMENDMENT BY MRS. GUTIÉRREZ TO AMEND THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET (FAILED)**

On motion of Ms. Gutiérrez and seconded by Mr. Felton to add the following:

Resolved, That the Board of Education in charging for evening high school establish a waiver process, closely monitor the participation in this program, and report to the Board of Education before the next budget preparation as to the impact of charging these fees; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education investigate the possibilities of including evening high school into the Challenge Grant funding;

failed with Mr. Ewing, Mr. Felton, Ms. Gutiérrez, and Mr. McCullough voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cheung, Mrs. Gordon, and Mrs. King voting in the negative.#

Re: **AN AMENDMENT BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE FY 1997 OPERATING BUDGET (FAILED)**

On motion of Mr. Ewing and seconded by Ms. Gutiérrez to add the following:

Resolved, That the Board of Education request that the County Executive and the County Council transfer the management to provide community use of schools to Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) with the full expectation that MCPS will operate the program at costs that would be 5 to 10% of the county operating costs with no loss in program effectiveness 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.#

Re: **AN AMENDMENT BY TO AMEND THE FY 1997  
OPERATING BUDGET**

On motion of Ms. Gutiérrez and seconded by Mr. Felton, the following resolution was put on the table:

Resolved, That the Board of Education in charging fees for the evening high school requests the superintendent to closely monitor the level of and prepare a report to the Board of Education as to the impact of fees for consideration before the next budget participation.

RESOLUTION NO. 412-96      Re: **A SUBSTITUTE MOTION TO AMEND THE FY 1997  
OPERATING BUDGET**

On motion of Mrs. Gordon and seconded by Mr. Felton, the following substitute motion was adopted unanimously by members present:#

Resolved, That the same consideration that is given to students who receive free and reduced meals for fees for summer school and other programs and activities be given for fees charged to evening high school students and other fees charged in this budget.

RESOLUTION NO. 413-96      Re: **ADOPTION OF THE FINAL FY 1997 OPERATING  
BUDGET**

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

WHEREAS, The Board of Education adopted an FY 1997 Operating Budget of \$923,300,664 on February 28, 1996; and

WHEREAS, As a result of the Fiscal Year 1996 strategic planning process in the Office of Global Access Technology, a new organizational plan for the Office of Global Access Technology has been submitted to the Board of Education by the superintendent and staff realignments have been recommended to provide coordinated services to all computer users; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education's FY 1997 Operating Budget Request included a middle school interscholastic athletics program and a \$20 per semester extracurricular activities fee for middle and high school students to fund the new program; and

WHEREAS, The County Council eliminated the appropriation request of \$642,880 for the middle school interscholastic athletics program and indicated that, if the Board of

Education implements the program and charges a fee, a supplemental appropriation request should be submitted to the County Council after July 1, 1996; and

WHEREAS, The County Council made reductions of \$8,159,567 from the various state budget categories, as shown in the following schedule, in appropriating \$915,141,097 for the Board of Education's FY 1997 Operating Budget:

<u>Category</u>	<u>BOE Approved as of 2/28/96</u>	<u>County Council Reduction</u>	<u>Council Approved on 5/7/96</u>
1 Systemwide Support	\$ 29,122,106	(\$ 373,711)	\$ 28,748,395
2 Instructional Salaries	459,107,881	(2,772,721)	456,335,160
3 Other Instructional Costs	26,930,594	(1,492,644)	25,437,950
4 Special Education	102,231,316	(30,067)	102,201,249
5 Student Personnel Services	2,613,501		2,613,501
6 Health Services	22,420		22,420
7 Student Transportation	42,402,007	(1,339,926)	41,062,081
8 Operation of Plant	56,847,344	( 511,490)	56,335,854
9 Maintenance of Plant	18,514,287	( 194,066)	18,320,221
10 Fixed Charges	155,533,180	(1,441,942)	154,091,238
14 Community Services	622,646	(3,000)	619,646
Current Fund Subtotal	\$893,947,282	(\$8,159,567)	\$885,787,715
41 Adult Ed/Summer School Fund	2,113,992		2,113,992
51 Real Estate Management Fund	1,141,441		1,141,441
61 Food Service Fund	24,579,791		24,579,791
71 Field Trip Fund	1,518,158		1,518,158
Enterprise Fund Subtotal	\$ 29,353,382		29,353,382
All Funds	<u>\$923,300,664</u>	<u>(\$8,159,567)</u>	<u>\$915,141,097</u>

now therefore be it

Resolved, That, based on an appropriation of \$915,141,097, that includes an appropriation of \$33,015,228 for restricted grants and \$29,353,382 for enterprise funds, approved by the County Council on May 22, 1996, the Board of Education adopt its FY 1997 Operating Budget reflecting the changes shown in Schedule A; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education affirm its support for the negotiated agreements with its employee organizations and for the 2.0 percent increase in salary that they contain; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve for FY 1997 the reorganization plan for the Office of Global Access Technology and related administrative realignments to improve technology services, including the elimination of 10.5 positions and the creation of 10.5



other positions in the FY 1997 Operating Budget and 3.5 FY 1997 Capital Budget positions as shown on Schedule B; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education supports the \$20 per semester extracurricular activities fee for secondary students that will be used to support a middle school interscholastic athletics program; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education requests the superintendent to prepare for the Board of Education's consideration an implementation plan that includes a supplemental appropriation request for the middle school interscholastic athletics program to be funded with anticipated extracurricular activities fee revenues to the County Council after July 1, 1996; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education ask for a supplemental appropriate for the Head Start program in the amount of \$464,946 and that the superintendent continue to review the program for any efficiencies; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education offset the cut in reading teachers with the enhancement of \$140,000 from the Council which would fund approximately 3.5 reading teachers; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education take the reduction in the investigations/residency compliance unit and transfer to the enhancement for the school security program; and be it further

Resolved, That the same consideration that is given to students who receive free and reduced meals for fees for summer school and other programs and activities be given for fees charged to evening high school students and other fees charged in this budget; and be it further

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

**Re: MR. EWING'S STATEMENT FOR THE RECORD**

"I am opposing the budget not because I think that everything in it is bad or that I take the view that the Board does not have a responsibility to act on it. But, I think the Board could have chosen, should have chosen another route which would have funded reading teachers and done some other things. Without the funds for reading teachers and when the Board chooses to fund interscholastic sports over reading teachers, that seems to me to be intolerable and unacceptable. I cannot support that."

**Re: MS. GUTIÉRREZ' STATEMENT FOR THE RECORD**

“My opposition to the budget is one that centers around starting down a path that will have us begin to charge fees to supplement our budget for expenditures that, I believe, are appropriate and necessary for us to make as the local educational agency responsible for providing education to our children. I believe that the budget includes several actions and programs that affect our most needy. If the Board does not, at some point say, ‘it is enough, we need to change the direction in which we are going’ we will see the kind of changes in policy that are unfortunately outside our control. As long as we go along to get along, we are not going to be making the case for education for Montgomery County students.”

**Re: BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS**

Dr. Vance commended the Board of Education attending all of the graduations. He invited their feedback, observations, recommendation, and suggestions on the graduations. He congratulated Mr. McCullough on his graduation. As the school year draws to a close, he was struck by the number of awards earned by students and staff and the high level of their accomplishments. Linda M. Randall, reading specialist at Highland Elementary School, will represent Montgomery County Public Schools in the Maryland Teacher of the Year award program. Ms. Randall, who began her career with the school system in 1980, has also taught at Clarksburg and Fox Chapel elementary schools. She was selected by a review committee on the basis of information provided in an extensive portfolio of personal and professional information and supporting documents. Joshua Bridger, physics teacher at Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School, and Anne M. Silbey, special education teacher at Germantown Elementary School, will compete with nominees statewide for a national First Class Teacher Award, sponsored by the Student Loan Marketing Association (Sallie Mae) and administered by the American Association of School Administrators. Only 53 teachers nationally -- one from each state and U.S. extrastate jurisdiction, including Washington, D.C. -- will receive an award. Ms. Lauren Murphy has been selected as one of the 106 local heroes from Maryland to carry the Olympic Torch through the state. The Montgomery Blair school community will join members of the Board of Education and county officials at a ground breaking ceremony at the site of the new Montgomery Blair High School on the Kay Tract in the Four Corners area of Silver Spring on Saturday, June 15, at 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Ewing called to the Board’s attention the Citizens Accountability Report. It is a first effort, but a credible effort. There are those who say the school system is not accountable for either results or the expenditures. The report demonstrates that the school system is accountable, what it has achieved, and how well it has been done. He hoped that the county executive and County Council would get copies along with other public officials.

Mrs. King commented on the graduation at Watkins Mill High School, and the keynote speaker was one of MCPS’ former students, Mark Bryan -- the leader guitarist for Hootie

and the Blowfish. He learned to play the guitar at Montgomery Village Junior High. He was a success and impression for the graduates.

Mrs. Gordon alerted the Board regarding the proposed regulations from the Maryland State Department of Education for maintenance of effort and for waivers of maintenance of effort. It is imperative for the Board to make comments about those regulations and how they will be implemented.

Ms. Gutiérrez mentioned the Ethnic Festival in Silver Spring. She congratulated those who organized it on the part of MCPS. She strongly suggested that more schools be encouraged to participate especially those up-county schools.

**Re: UPDATE ON FUTURE SEARCH CONFERENCE**

Mr. Ewing reported that the planning committee have met several times and has selected a topic on how the school system can sustain excellence into the future. In late June or early July, letters of invitation to potential participants will be sent. The conference is scheduled for September 19-21, 1996, at Lockheed Martin, Corp.

**RESOLUTION NO. 414-96 Re: CLOSED SESSION RESOLUTION**

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

WHEREAS, The Board of Education of Montgomery County is authorized by the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland and Title 10 of the State Government Article to conduct certain meetings or portions of its meetings in closed session; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education of Montgomery County conduct a portion of its meeting on Monday, June 24, 1996, at 7:30 p.m. to discuss matters protected from public disclosure by law; and be it further

Resolved, That this meeting be conducted in Room 120 of the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, as permitted under Section 4-106, Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland and State Government Article 10-501; and be it further

Resolved, That such meeting shall continue in closed session until the completion of business.

**Re: REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION**

On May 14, 1996, by the unanimous vote of members present, the Board of Education voted to conduct a closed session on May 28, 1996, as permitted under Section 4-106, Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland and State Government Article 10-501.

The Montgomery County Board of Education met in closed session on May 28, 1996, from 7:00 to 8:05 p.m. The meeting took place in Room 120, Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland.

The Board met to discuss personnel issues and reviewed and adjudicated BOE Appeals 1996-5, 1996-6, 1996-14, 1996-15, and 1996-16.

In attendance at part or all of the closed sessions were: Steve Abrams, Larry Bowers, Alan Cheung, Blair Ewing, Reggie Felton, David Fischer, Phinnize Fisher, Kathy Gemberling, Bea Gordon, Armando Gutierrez, Ana Sol Gutiérrez, Nancy King, George Margolies, Brian Porter, Rachel Prager, Charles McCullough, Glenda Rose, Mary Helen Smith, Roger Titus, and Paul Vance.

RESOLUTION NO. 415-96            Re:    **BOARD MINUTES -- MAY 14 and 20, 1996**

On motion of Mr. Felton and seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve the minutes for the May 14 and May 20, 1996, Board of Education meetings.

RESOLUTION NO. 416-96            Re:    **BOE APPEAL 1996-15**

On motion of Mr. Felton and seconded by Mrs. King, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:\*

Resolved, That the Board of Education adopt its Decision and Order in BOE Appeal 1996-15, a personnel matter.

RESOLUTION NO. 417-96            Re:    **BOE APPEAL 1996-16**

On motion of Mr. Felton and seconded by Mrs. King, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:\*

Resolved, That the Board of Education adopt its Decision and Order in BOE Appeal 1996-16, a personnel matter.

\* Mr. McCullough did not participate in the appeal.

RESOLUTION NO. 418-96      Re:    **APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON COUNSELING AND GUIDANCE**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. King seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, On October 22, 1973, the Advisory Committee on Counseling and Guidance was established by the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Advisory Committee on Counseling and Guidance are appointed by the Board; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the following persons be appointed to serve a two-year term effective July 1, 1996, and ending June 30, 1998.

- Dorothy Joyner
- Elizabeth Whiting
- Jodie Finkelstein
- Valerie Stern
- Robin Melinda Hartman
- Ronald Wolfsheimer
- Robin Lupia
- Melissa Smith
- Kate Golkiewicz
- Jeff Trent
- Jen Kleiner
- Inga Ludwig
- Carla McEachern
- Elyse Weiner

RESOLUTION NO. 419-96      Re:    **CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR FAMILY LIFE AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. King seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, COMAR 13A.04.18 requires that local education agencies have a citizens advisory committee; and

WHEREAS, Montgomery County has had such a committee since 1970, consisting of representatives of various civic associations and religious groups, community members at large, and student representatives; and

WHEREAS, Membership on the committee is for a two-year term; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the following individuals be appointed to serve a two-year term, effective July 1, 1996, and ending June 30, 1998:

Constance Tonat

RESOLUTION NO. 420-96            Re:    **APPOINTMENTS TO THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON  
MINORITY STUDENT EDUCATION**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. King seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, On May 14, 1991, the Board of Education revised the composition of the Advisory Committee on Minority Student Education; and

WHEREAS, The members are appointed by the Board of Education; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the following persons be appointed to serve for a two-year term effective July 1, 1996, and ending June 30, 1998:

- James C. Bailey
- Natalie Maxwell Fenimore
- Frederick B. Penn
- Banu H. Gracey
- Samira Hussein
- Shirley Levin
- Carlos Cabrera
- Luis A. Salvatierra
- ZSun-nee Matema

and be it further

Resolved, That the following students be appointed to serve for a one-year term effective July 1, 1996, and ending June 30, 1997:

- Shara R. Kay
- Sonia Arora

RESOLUTION NO. 421-96            Re:    **APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR  
CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. King seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, On September 26, 1977, the Montgomery County Advisory Council for Career and Technology Education was established by the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Montgomery County Advisory Council for Career and Technology Education are appointed by the Board of Education; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the following persons be reappointed to serve a three-year term beginning July 1, 1996, and ending June 30, 1999:

Gordon Hawkins  
Christopher Shinkman  
Stuart Weinstein

and be it further

Resolved, That the following persons be appointed to serve a three-year term beginning July 1, 1996, and ending June 30, 1999:

Ratnam Bharati Asoka  
Loretta C. Waldron

RESOLUTION NO. 422-96      Re:    **APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE TITLE IX  
GENDER EQUITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. King seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, On July 19, 1977, the Board of Education established the Title IX Gender Equity Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, The members of the advisory committee are appointed by the Board of Education; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the following individuals be appointed to serve a two-year term effective July 1, 1996, and ending June 30, 1998:

Paul Foringer  
Sonia Arora  
Lauren Liebes  
Patricia L. Foster

Sarah Steel  
Tracy Husted  
Dr. Gregory Bell

RESOLUTION NO. 423-96      Re:    **APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE MEDICAL  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. King seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, The Medical Advisory Committee to the Montgomery County Board of Education has been active since it was reconstituted by the Board in 1972; and

WHEREAS, Membership on the committee is composed of representatives of organizations and associations named in the "Statement of Purpose" of the committee; and

WHEREAS, Members of the committee are appointed by the Board of Education; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education appoint the following individuals to serve a two-year term effective July 1, 1996, and ending June 30, 1998:

Dr. Jerry Shier  
Dr. Eugene Sussman  
Dr. Steven Tuck  
Wayne Whigham  
Mary Lee Phelps  
Paula Kaplan and Paulette Kessler (co-committee members)

RESOLUTION NO. 424-96      Re:    **APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE MENTAL  
HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. King seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, On June 13, 1989, the Mental Health Advisory Committee was established by the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, On June 10, 1993, the Board amended the composition of the Mental Health Advisory Committee; and



WHEREAS, The members of this committee are appointed by the Board of Education; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the following persons be appointed to serve a two-year term effective July 1, 1996, and ending June 30, 1998:

Dr. F. Rodney Drake  
Mary Charbonneau  
Peter K. Vaslow  
Laurene Thomas  
Jen Kleiner  
Matthew Pappano  
Dr. Michael Sitar

RESOLUTION NO. 425-96      Re:    **APPOINTMENTS TO THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON TECHNOLOGY USAGE**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. King seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, On October 12, 1993, the Board of Education established the Advisory Committee on Technology Usage; and

WHEREAS, The members of this committee are appointed by the Board of Education; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the following students be appointed to serve a one year term fro July 1, 1996, through June 30, 1997:

Kevin Allen  
John J. Rhee

RESOLUTION NO. 426-96      Re:    **CHARACTER COUNTS PROGRAM**

On motion of Mrs. King and seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education schedule time for a discussion on the *Character Counts* program.

RESOLUTION NO. 427-96      Re:    **MINORITY VENDOR OUTREACH**

On motion of Mr. Felton and seconded by Mr. Ewing, the follow resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education schedule time for discussion of the school system's minority vendor outreach efforts.

Re:    **A MOTION BY MR. EWING REGARDING THE GIFTED AND TALENTED CURRICULUM (FAILED)**

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

Resolved, That the Board of Education schedule time, on or before the mid-November anniversary of the adoption of the policy on gifted and talented education, to discuss the annual report on the progress of implementing this policy; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education ask the superintendent of schools to establish a gifted and talented curriculum review group that would meet and review staff proposals for accelerated and enriched curricula, including members who are representative of staff and members of the general public.

RESOLUTION NO. 428-96      Re:    **RACIAL AND ETHNIC IDENTIFICATION OF STUDENTS**

On motion of Mr. Ewing and seconded by Mr. Abrams, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education schedule time for a discussion on racial and ethnic identification of students, keeping in mind Federal law and regulations, and to discuss the issue of how and under what circumstances the Board of Education might wish to make changes in the way in which the Board deals with this issue.

Re:    **A MOTION BY MS. GUTIÉRREZ ON CLASS SIZE**

On motion of Ms. Gutiérrez and seconded by Mr. Ewing, the following resolution was placed on the table:

WHEREAS, The teacher-to-student ratio in a classroom, i.e. class size, has been shown through extensive research to have a significant impact on student academic performance and instructional effectiveness; and

WHEREAS, Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) has experienced continuous increases in average class size over the past five years due in part to the rapid growth of the student population and the concomitant underfunding of MCPS operating budget requests; and

WHEREAS, MCPS' current average class size-based staffing allocation formulas do not effectively respond to rapid change and growth, high mobility rates, increased instructional load and diversity factors, thus resulting in increased numbers of classes which are over desired maximums throughout the school system; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education recognizes the urgency to develop an effective strategy together with school staff, parents, and community stakeholders in order to ensure the long-term support and funding commitments necessary to reverse the current trends; now therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education commit itself to the development and implementation of a multi-year instructional staffing plan that will effectively reduce MCPS class sizes, as a minimum, to 1990-established levels; and be it further

Resolved, That an ad hoc committee of the Board be established to study the matter over the summer and to present strategies and options to the full Board and the Superintendent for consideration, allowing for possible initial budget action beginning with the FY98 budget cycle; and be it further

Resolved, That the ad hoc committee be constituted immediately and include, in addition to three Board of Education members, representative numbers of school administrators, elementary, middle, and high school faculty, instructional assistants, parents, central administrative staff, and if possible, student representatives.

RESOLUTION NO. 429-96            Re:    **AN AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION ON CLASS SIZE**

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

Resolved, That an ad hoc committee of the Board be **constituted following the discussion of the previously approved item on class size** to study the matter ~~over the summer~~ and to present strategies and options to the full Board and the Superintendent for consideration, allowing for possible initial budget action beginning with the FY98 budget cycle

Re: **A MOTION BY MS. GUTIÉRREZ AS AMENDED BY  
MRS. GORDON ON CLASS SIZE (FAILED)**

On motion of Ms. Gutiérrez and seconded by Mr. Ewing as amended, failed with Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mr. Felton, and Ms. Gutiérrez voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Gordon and Mr. McCullough voting in the negative; Mrs. King abstaining.

WHEREAS, The teacher-to-student ratio in a classroom, i.e. class size, has been shown through extensive research to have a significant impact on student academic performance and instructional effectiveness; and

WHEREAS, Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) has experienced continuous increases in average class size over the past five years due in part to the rapid growth of the student population and the concomitant underfunding of MCPS operating budget requests; and

WHEREAS, MCPS' current average class size-based staffing allocation formulas do not effectively respond to rapid change and growth, high mobility rates, increased instructional load and diversity factors, thus resulting in increased numbers of classes which are over desired maximums throughout the school system; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education recognizes the urgency to develop an effective strategy together with school staff, parents, and community stakeholders in order to ensure the long-term support and funding commitments necessary to reverse the current trends; now therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education commit itself to the development and implementation of a multi-year instructional staffing plan that will effectively reduce MCPS class sizes, as a minimum, to 1990-established levels; and be it further

Resolved, That an ad hoc committee of the Board be constituted following the discussion of the previously approved item on class size to study the matter and to present strategies and options to the full Board and the Superintendent for consideration, allowing for possible initial budget action beginning with the FY98 budget cycle; and be it further

Resolved, That the ad hoc committee be constituted immediately and include, in addition to three Board of Education members, representative numbers of school administrators, elementary, middle, and high school faculty, instructional assistants, parents, central administrative staff, and if possible, student representatives.

Re: **NEW BUSINESS**

Mrs. Gordon moved and Mr. McCullough moved the following:

Resolved, That the Board of Education ask the superintendent to bring to the Board recommendations on the regulations that have been written regarding the implementation of maintenance of effort as well as the waiver; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education take action on those recommendations in order to provide comments to the Maryland State Board of Education within the specified timeframe.

RESOLUTION NO. 430-96      Re: **REQUEST TO VOTE ON NEW BUSINESS ITEM**

On motion of Mrs. Gordon and seconded by Mr. McCullough, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education take action on the previous item of new business in order for the superintendent to prepare recommendations and the Board can act on those recommendations.

RESOLUTION NO. 431-96      Re: **MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT**

On motion of Mrs. Gordon and seconded by Mr. McCullough, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education ask the superintendent to bring to the Board recommendations on the regulations that have been written regarding the implementation of maintenance of effort as well as the waiver; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education take action on those recommendations in order to provide comments to the Maryland State Board of Education within the specified timeframe.

Mr. Ewing moved and Mr. McCullough seconded the following:

Resolved, That the Board of Education schedule time to discuss the proposals for scheduling of schools and other operations of the Interagency Coordinating Board (ICB) as well as the use of principals and other staff.

Mr. Ewing moved and Dr. Cheung seconded the following:

Resolved, That the Board of Education request the superintendent to develop for Board consideration the impact and costs or savings associated with block scheduling for all high schools.

Mr. McCullough moved and Mrs. Gordon seconded the following:

Resolved, That the Board of Education schedule time to discuss the possible implementation of an advertising program in schools for raising revenues based on the Colorado School District model.

Re: **ITEMS OF INFORMATION**

1. Items in Process
2. Monthly Financial Report
3. Construction progress Report

RESOLUTION NO. 432-96 Re: **ADJOURNMENT**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Felton seconded by Mrs. King, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education adjourn its meeting of June 11, 1996, at 6:40 p.m.

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PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY

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