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| 13. | Jerry Mills             | Sherwood Boundaries |
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| 15. | Marty Stombotne, MCCSSE | Contracting Out     |

RESOLUTION NO. 221-97      Re:    **PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS MORE THAN \$25,000**

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

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

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

404-94      Science Laboratory Chemicals - Extension

Awardee

Flinn Scientific, Inc.	\$ 28,000
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405-94      Live and Preserved Specimens - Extension

Awardee

Carolina Biological Supply Company	\$111,662
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127-96      Art and School Papers - Extension

Awardees

J.L. Hammett Company	\$ 1,911
Integrity School Supplies	19,268 *
School Specialty	378,533
Windtree Enterprises, Inc.	<u>693</u>
Total	\$400,405

130-96	Science Tables - Extension	
	<u>Awardee</u>	
	Douron, Inc.	\$ 40,779 *
231-97	Mid-Volume Copiers	
	<u>Awardee</u>	
	BCE Corporation	\$ 21,914
300-97	Underground, Earth and Butterfly Custom Science Kits	
	<u>Awardees</u>	
	Delta Education, Inc.	\$ 4,808
	ETA	9,794
	Nasco	23,080
	Sci-Ma Education, Inc.	13,163
	SEMPCO, Inc.	<u>80,943</u> *
	Total	\$131,788
	MORE THAN \$25,000	\$734,548

\* Denotes MFD vendors

RESOLUTION NO. 222-97      Re:    **ENGINEERING SERVICES - MAINTENANCE AND  
TRANSPORTATION DEPOT**

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

WHEREAS, It is necessary to appoint an engineering firm to provide design services for the stormwater discharge system at the Randolph Maintenance and Transportation Depot; and

WHEREAS, An Engineering Selection Committee, in accordance with procedures adopted by the Board of Education for selecting architectural and engineering consultants, identified Chester Engineers as the most qualified firm to provide the necessary professional engineering services; now therefore be it



<u>Category</u>	<u>Amount</u>
3 Other Instructional Costs	\$19,533

and be it further

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

Re: **CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON FAMILY LIFE  
AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT ANNUAL REPORT AND  
STAFF RESPONSE**

Dr. Vance invited the following people to the table: Ms. Mary Ann Biamonte, chairperson of the Citizens Advisory Committee on Family Life and Human Development; Ms. Tina Clarke, vice-chair of the Committee; Ms. Sandra Days, instructional materials selection and processing supervisor and staff liaison; and Mr. Russell Henke, coordinator of Health Education.

The committee made the following recommendations:

### **Recommendation 1 — Review of Older Materials**

The committee was unable to review older materials because of time constraints. A meeting earlier in 1997 will be devoted to discussion and review of these materials.

### **Recommendation 2 — Abstinence Materials**

The committee noted that there was a significant increase in the number of abstinence materials review and approved. It was also recommended that abstinence materials continue to be a focus by the Health Education Evaluation and Selection Committee.

### **Recommendation 3 - Diversity Represented in Materials**

The committee again strongly recommended that there be a diversity of students and families depicted in the instructional materials reviewed. The committee recognizes that while no single instructional item can represent all ethnic or cultural groups, they urge staff to continue in their efforts to find and promote instructional materials that as a whole reflect racial, ethnic, and cultural diversity.

**Recommendation 4 - Increasing Parent and Student Involvement**

The committee again requested the opportunity to work with MCPS staff to explore a system-wide framework and mechanism for gathering information from students and parents to help guide the committee in making decisions about materials.

The Board members thanked the committee for their continued work in this arena and presenting the views of the community. They made the following comments:

1. Please describe for the audience a typical meeting and the approval process. (Mr. Felton)
2. Does the committee work with the individual school-based community groups? Does MCPS have these community groups at each school? Who is responsible for student nominations to the Advisory Committee on Family Life and Human Development? How much time does it take for the whole process of evaluating and selecting instructional materials? (Ms. Prager)
3. Are the different viewpoints of the community well represented other than the lack of parents of middle school students? Have criteria or guidelines been established against which the committee measures the materials to make decisions on their appropriateness? (Ms. Gutiérrez)

RESOLUTION NO. 225-97

Re: **CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON FAMILY LIFE  
AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT ANNUAL REPORT AND  
STAFF RESPONSE**

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

Resolved, That the Board of Education accept the Annual Report of the Citizens Advisory Committee on Family Life and Human Development.

Re: **SHERWOOD CLUSTER ELEMENTARY AND HIGH  
SCHOOL BOUNDARIES**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Gordon seconded by Ms. Prager, the superintendent's recommendation for Sherwood Cluster Elementary and High School boundaries was placed on the table.

RESOLUTION NO. 226-97

Re: **AN AMENDMENT TO THE SHERWOOD CLUSTER  
ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL BOUNDARIES**

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

Resolved, That the Board of Education make a minor modification and amend the superintendent's recommendation 1C to substitute the following:

***Sherwood Elementary School to Cloverly Elementary School:***

The area currently attending Sherwood Elementary School that is east of New Hampshire Avenue and south of, and including, Tucker Lane and streets which access via Tucker Lane, effective for Grades K-4 in September 1997

***Sherwood High School to the Northeast High Schools Consortium:***

The area currently attending Sherwood High School that is east of New Hampshire Avenue and south of, and including, Tucker Lane and streets which access via Tucker Lane

Re: **AN AMENDMENT BY MRS. KING TO THE SHERWOOD CLUSTER ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL BOUNDARIES**

The motion by Mrs. King and seconded by Dr. Cheung that the Board of Education postpone until the June meeting the decision of moving Zone 11 from the Sherwood Cluster was determined to be out of order since it was a significant modification to the boundary recommendation.

Re: **AN AMENDMENT BY MRS. KING TO THE SHERWOOD CLUSTER ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL BOUNDARIES (Failed)**

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

Resolved, That the Board of Education adopt Option 4 as revised:

1. Divide Zone 11 (Hallowell) into a northern half (11N) which will remain at Brooke Grove Elementary School and a southern half (11S) which will be reassigned to Olney Elementary School beginning in September 1997.
2. Divide Zone 17 (Norbeck Grove) into a southern half (17A) which will be reassigned from Olney Elementary School to Greenwood Elementary School and a northern half (17B) which will be reassigned from Olney to Belmont elementary schools.

3. Reunite Zone 11N and 11S in 2001-02 at Olney Elementary School. Also in 2001-02, reassign Zone 20 from Greenwood Elementary School to Brooke Grove Elementary School and determine the reassignment of some Belmont Elementary School students to Greenwood Elementary School.
4. Determine the viability of Sherwood #6 in the winter of 1998-99 in conjunction with the redistribution of middle school students between Rosa Parks and Farquhar middle schools. If school enrollment projections do not support the construction of Sherwood #6, then reassignment of elementary school students into "all" adjacent clusters should be considered, including Magruder which was prohibited this year.

RESOLUTION NO. 227-97

Re: **SHERWOOD CLUSTER ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL BOUNDARIES**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Gordon seconded by Ms. Prager, the following resolution as amended was adopted with Dr. Cheung, Mrs. Gordon, Ms. Gutiérrez, Ms. Prager, and Ms. Signer voting in the affirmative; Mr. Ewing, Mr. Felton, and Mrs. King voting in the negative: #

WHEREAS, The Board of Education, at the request of Sherwood cluster communities, took action in November 1996 to exclude Sherwood High School from the Preferred Choice program and the Northeast High Schools Consortium; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education prescribed a process to involve representatives of the Sherwood cluster in identifying areas to reassign out of Sherwood High School to the Northeast High Schools Consortium; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education also requested that Sherwood cluster representatives explore the feasibility of relieving projected elementary school overutilization through boundary reassignments to space available in the Paint Branch and Springbrook clusters; and

WHEREAS, Cloverly, Dr. Charles R. Drew, and Stonegate elementary schools, in the Paint Branch and Springbrook clusters, were identified as schools with available space and, therefore, representatives of these schools joined with the Sherwood Cluster Boundary Advisory Committee to review and rank elementary boundary options; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education conducted a public hearing on the superintendent's recommendations for Sherwood cluster elementary and high school boundaries, as well as a Board-adopted alternative for elementary boundaries, on March 18, 1997; now therefore be it



Resolved, That elementary boundaries in the Sherwood cluster be adjusted to take advantage of space available in Cloverly, Dr. Charles R. Drew, and Stonegate elementary schools in the following way:

***Brooke Grove Elementary School to Sherwood Elementary School:***

The area currently attending Brooke Grove Elementary School that is south of Route 108 and east of Georgia Avenue, effective for Grades K-4 in September 1997

***Sherwood Elementary School to Stonegate Elementary School:***

The area currently attending Sherwood Elementary School that is south of Norbeck Road, and including streets to the north of Norbeck Road that access via Norbeck Road, effective for Grades K-4 in September 1997

***Sherwood Elementary School to Cloverly Elementary School:***

The area currently attending Sherwood Elementary School that is east of New Hampshire Avenue and south of, and including, Tucker Lane and streets which access via Tucker Lane, effective for Grades K-4 in September 1997

***Cloverly Elementary School to Dr. Charles R. Drew Elementary School:***

The area known as "Hampshire Greens" now being developed with 286 single family detached homes planned, between Ednor Road, New Hampshire Avenue, and Bryant's Nursery Road, effective for Grades K-5 immediately upon Board of Education action

and be it further

Resolved, That Sherwood Elementary School #6 be removed from the Board of Education's requested FY 1998-2003 Capital Improvements Program; and be it further

Resolved, That Sherwood High School boundaries be adjusted in the following way;

***Sherwood High School to the Northeast High Schools Consortium:***

- The area currently attending Sherwood High School from Brooke Grove and Sherwood elementary schools, including the area bounded on the west by Georgia Avenue, on the north by Route 108 and Doctor Bird Road/Norwood

Road, on the east by Layhill Road and extending to the south to where the Sherwood High School boundary now extends -- just north of Bonifant Road and including the communities north of and accessed on Park Vista Drive and Wintergate Drive

- The area currently attending Sherwood High School that is east of New Hampshire Avenue and south of, and including, Tucker Lane and streets which access via Tucker Lane

and be it further

Resolved, That these high school boundary reassignments to the Northeast High Schools Consortium be implemented beginning in September 1998 with Grades 9 and 10; and be it further

Resolved, That following Board of Education action on high school reassignments, representatives from the affected communities join with representatives from the Paint Branch and Springbrook clusters on the steering committee to develop and review base areas for the Northeast High Schools Consortium schools -- Paint Branch, Springbrook, and the new Northeast Area high schools -- and participate in ranking base area options for the three high schools; and be it further

Resolved, That following Board of Education action on base areas for the high schools in the Northeast High Schools Consortium, a review of middle school boundaries and articulation patterns for the six middle schools currently in the Paint Branch, Sherwood, and Springbrook clusters be conducted during the 1997-98 school year, with recommendations made to the Board in November 1998; and be it further

Resolved, That principals of all schools involved in elementary school boundary changes in September 1997 work as a team, with the support of the Office of School Administration, Office of Supportive Services, and Department of Educational Facilities Planning and Capital Programming to ensure a smooth transition to the new assignments.

**Re: BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS**

Mrs. Gordon reported on two meetings she had attended. The first one was the transition meeting for the Systems Reform Initiative (SRI). It is a very complicated issue, but they are looking at how SRI can be given direction from the state and still allow for the various entities within local government to be involved. The local jurisdictions will benefit from this kind of enhanced examination. The other meeting was a meeting of Dr. Grasmick's Advisory Council on the High School Assessment. There were representatives from boards of education, superintendents, Maryland State Teachers Association, the Baltimore

Teacher's Union, the business community, higher education, and staff from MSDE who are looking at the various decisions that the State Board of Education will make over the next 18 months. The main focus of the last meeting was how the group can move forward and be a catalyst for dissemination of information and meaningful communication.

Mrs. King attended a press conference with State Attorney Joseph Curran about violence on television. The statistics quoted were amazing in that from birth to elementary school children witness 8,000 murders on television. Through a non-profit organization diaries have been given to elementary school children where parents keep track of television viewing habits for one week.

Ms. Prager visited Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School to see the parking situation there. She encouraged Board members to look at the alternative parking site at Lynnbook Center. She also attended a press conference with the Secretary of Agriculture and the National Capital Food Bank. It was to promote community service requirements in the District of Columbia and Maryland.

Mr. Ewing reported on Future Search activities. On April 16, the Future Search Action Committee will meet and hear status reports from all the theme groups. This information will be drawn together to make a first draft of a long-range and strategic plan for MCPS. On the matter of contracting out, there is tension between MCCSSE and the administration on the issue of the RFP for transportation. He asked if it would be possible for the superintendent to make a formal offer to MCCSSE to discuss the proposed RFP.

**RESOLUTION NO. 228-97            Re:    CLOSED SESSION RESOLUTION**

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

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 sessions; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education of Montgomery County conduct a portion of its meeting on Tuesday, April 8, 1997, at 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. to discuss personnel matters and other matters protected from public disclosure by law, to review and adjudicate appeals, and to address other issues including consultation with counsel to obtain legal advice; and be it further

Resolved, That these meetings 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 Section 10-508 of the State Government Article; and be it further

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

**Re: REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION**

On February 24, 1997, by the unanimous vote of members present, the Board of Education voted to conduct a closed session on March 11, 1997, 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 March 11, 1997 from 8:35 to 9:55 a.m. and 11:50 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. The meetings took place in Room 120, Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland.

The Board met to discuss personnel issues, legal matters with its attorney, future Takoma Park unification school, and an early retirement incentive plan. The Board reviewed and adjudicated Appeal No. 1996-41.

In attendance at part or all of the closed sessions were: Betsy Arons, Larry Bowers, Judy Bresler, Alan Cheung, Reggie Felton, David Fischer, Hiawatha Fountain, Katheryn Gemberling, Wes Girling, Bea Gordon, Ana Sol Gutiérrez, Pat Hahn, Roland Ikheloa, George Johnston, Alan Kaplan, Nancy King, Oliver Lancaster, Joe Lavorgna, George Margolies, Brian Porter, Rachel Prager, Glenda Rose, Ruby Rubens, Steven Seleznow, Mona Signer, Mary Helen Smith, Pam Splaine, Deborah Szyfer, Janice Turpin, Paul Vance, Joe Villani, and Bill Wilder.

**Re: MEMBERSHIP OF THE LONG-RANGE AND STRATEGIC PLANNING SUBCOMMITTEE (Failed)**

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

WHEREAS, On September 8, 1994, the Board of Education, by Resolution No. 626-94, established a Subcommittee on Long Range Planning, subsequently renamed the Subcommittee on Long Range and Strategic Planning by Resolution 630-95; and

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 838-94, the Board resolved that the subcommittee be comprised of three members of the Board; and

WHEREAS, On December 10, 1996, the Board reappointed Mr. Blair Ewing to the subcommittee to serve along with two members--Nancy King and Bea Gordon--appointed in prior years; and

WHEREAS, Ana Sol Gutiérrez has been attending meetings of the subcommittee and participating alongside of its members for over one year; and

WHEREAS, The Board desires to expand the membership of the subcommittee on a one-time basis to include an additional member; now therefore be it

Resolved, That Ana Sol Gutiérrez be appointed to serve as a member of the Subcommittee on Long Range and Strategic Planning until November 30, 1999.

Ms. Gutiérrez stated for the record: "This is a very offensive action by this Board. A Board member wants to officially contribute. I have been officially contributing to the long-term strategic planning efforts since its inception. I have expressed by desire to be a full participant, and I do not understand why my fellow Board members deny me the opportunity to serve to my fullest capacity."

Re: **NEW BUSINESS**

Ms. Signer moved and Mrs. King seconded the following:

WHEREAS, The Fiscal Year 1998 Capital Budget for the Montgomery County Public Schools directed MCPS staff, working with the community, to review elementary space options in the Winston Churchill High School cluster and develop recommendations for Board of Education review in November 1997; and

WHEREAS, A boundary review committee has been established and will begin meeting in March 1997; and

WHEREAS, Herbert Hoover Middle School, located in the Winston Churchill High School cluster, is overcrowded, has six portable classrooms on-site, is scheduled to receive five more portable classrooms during the 1997-98 school year, and the 14-room modular addition from Tilden Middle School in September 1999; and

WHEREAS, Elementary boundary changes should not be made for elementary schools in the Winston Churchill High School cluster without considering the effect on middle school utilization; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Winston Churchill High School cluster elementary boundary review committee be authorized to review and recommend to the Board of Education, for consideration in November 1997, middle school space options designed to relieve overcrowding at Herbert Hoover Middle School.

Ms. Prager moved and Ms. Gutiérrez seconded the following:

Resolved, That the Board of Education schedule time for discussion and action concerning parking for Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School students; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education consider recommended options developed by the committee presently studying possible locations; and be it further

Resolved, That this issue be addressed in time for implementation by 1997-98 school year.

RESOLUTION NO. 229-97

Re: **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Resolved, That the Board of Education adjourn its meeting of March 24, 1997, at 10:35 p.m.

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PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY

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**MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**SUMMARY SHEET**  
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