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Rockville, Maryland
March 11, 2008

The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in regular session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Tuesday, March 11, 2008, at 10:00 a.m.

Present: Mrs. Nancy Navarro, President
in the Chair
Mr. Christopher Barclay
Ms. Shirley Brandman
Ms. Sharon Cox
Dr. Judy Docca
Mr. Ben Moskowitz
Mrs. Patricia O'Neill
Dr. Jerry Weast, Secretary/Treasurer

Absent: Mr. Steve Abrams

or () indicates student vote does not count. Four votes needed for adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. 65-08 Re: **RESOLUTION FOR CLOSED SESSION**

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

WHEREAS, The Board of Education of Montgomery County is authorized by the *Education Article* and *State Government Article* of the *Annotated Code of Maryland* 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 closed session on March 11, 2008, in Room 120 from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. and 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education of Montgomery County discuss the Human Resources Monthly Report, as permitted under Section 10-508(a)(1) of the *State Government Article*; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education of Montgomery County receive legal advice, as permitted under Section 10-508(a)(7) of the *State Government Article*; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education of Montgomery County dedicate part of the closed session on March 11, 2008, to acquit its administrative functions and to adjudicate and review appeals, which is a quasi-judicial function outside the purview of the Open Meetings Act under Section 10-503(a) of the *State Government Article*; and be it further

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

Re: **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

RESOLUTION NO. 66-08

Re: **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. O'Neill seconded by Ms. Cox, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve its agenda for March 11, 2008.

Re: **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

Re: **ITEM OF LEGISLATION**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Barclay seconded by Dr. Docca, the following resolution failed with Ms. Brandman, Mr. Moskowitz, and Ms. Navarro voting in the affirmative; Mr. Barclay, Ms. Cox, Dr. Docca, and Mrs. O'Neill voting in the negative:

Resolved, That the Board of Education opposes **SB 850 – Collective Bargaining - Public School Labor Relations Board and HB1518 – Collective Bargaining – Public School Labor Relations Board** that would establish a Public School Labor Relations Board; providing for the appointment, membership, duties, responsibilities, and staff of the Board; authorizing the Board to adopt and enforce regulations, guidelines, and policies, as specified; permitting the Board to petition a circuit court to seek enforcement of an order of the Board; providing that a hearing and determination under the Act are a contested case; specifying requirements and procedures for the use of mediation, fact finding, and arbitration in dispute resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 67-08

Re: **ITEM OF LEGISLATION**

On motion of Ms. Brandman and seconded by Mrs. O'Neill, the following resolution was adopted with Mr. Barclay, Ms. Brandman, Dr. Docca, Mr. Moskowitz, Mrs. Navarro, and Mrs. O'Neill voting in the affirmative; Ms. Cox voting in the negative:

Resolved, That the Board of Education communicates its concerns to the legislature using an ad hoc committee to draft testimony on **SB 850 – Collective Bargaining – Public**

School Labor Relations Board and HB1518 – Collective Bargaining – Public School Labor Relations Board.

RESOLUTION NO. 68-08 Re: **ITEM OF LEGISLATION**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. O'Neill seconded by Ms. Cox, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education supports **HB1134/SB 579 – Immunity from Liability – Medical Emergency – Use of Automated External Defibrillator** that would provide immunity from civil liability under specified circumstances, notwithstanding other provisions of law, to an individual or facility that acquires an automated external defibrillator (AED) or that owns or manages the premises where an AED is located, to an individual who retrieves an AED, or to an individual who uses, attempts to use, or fails to use an AED.

RESOLUTION NO. 69-08 Re: **ITEM OF LEGISLATION**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. O'Neill seconded by Dr. Docca, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education strongly opposes **HB1249 – Classes and Extracurricular Activities – Home-schooled Students** that would include specified home-schooled students in the calculation of specified funding formulas; authorizing a public elementary or secondary school to allow specified students who are not enrolled in the school to participate in specified academic classes and extracurricular activities at the school to a specified extent; etc.

RESOLUTION NO. 70-08 Re: **ITEM OF LEGISLATION**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. O'Neill seconded by Ms. Cox, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education opposes **HB 837 – Classroom Placement - Multiple Birth Children - Parental Discretion** that would authorize the parent or guardian of multiple birth children to request the classroom placement of their children under specified circumstances; requiring a parent or guardian to make a classroom placement request in a specified manner within a specified period of time; requiring a school to provide the classroom placement requested by parents or guardians of multiple birth children.

RESOLUTION NO. 71-08 Re: **ITEM OF LEGISLATION**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. O'Neill seconded by Mr. Moskowitz, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education supports with an amendment that the state reimburses LEAs at a .5 FTE for all prekindergarten and **SB 912 – Early Childhood Education – Children in Military Families and HB1319 – Early Childhood Education - Expanded Early Childhood Education** that would alter eligibility requirements for publicly funded prekindergarten programs to allow specified children in specified military families to attend the programs.

RESOLUTION NO. 72-08 Re: **ITEM OF LEGISLATION**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. O'Neill seconded by Ms. Cox, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education strongly opposes **SB 519/HB 920 – Student Who Is a Victim of Violent Crime – Option to Require Offender to Change Schools** that would require the Maryland State Board of Education to adopt specified policies; requiring a local superintendent to provide specified notice to a student who is the victim of specified crimes or acts committed by another student upon a specified conviction or finding; requiring a local superintendent to transfer a specified student upon a specified determination.

RESOLUTION NO. 73-08 Re: **ITEM OF LEGISLATION**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. O'Neill seconded by Ms. Brandman, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education supports **HB1158 – Safe Schools Reporting Act** that would authorize a school staff member to report an incident of harassment or intimidation against a student; and repealing the sunset provision for the Safe Schools Reporting Act.

RESOLUTION NO. 74-08 Re: **ITEM OF LEGISLATION**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. O'Neill seconded by Dr. Docca, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education opposes **SB 933 – Graduation Requirements – Weighted Numerical Assessment System** that would require the Maryland State Board of Education to establish a weighted numerical assessment system to calculate a total

score that students are required to achieve to graduate from a public high school in the state; requiring the weighted numerical assessment system to include specified categories; requiring that the weighted values of specified categories may not be outside specified ranges of specified percentage values of a specified total score.

RESOLUTION NO. 75-08 Re: **ITEM OF LEGISLATION**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. O'Neill seconded by Ms. Cox, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education supports **HB1571 – Public Schools – Graduation Rate Formula** that would alter dates by which county boards of education are required to collect, maintain, and analyze graduation rates using a specified formula; altering a formula; altering dates by which the Maryland State Department of Education is required to compile and post specified information on its Web site; and requiring the Maryland State Board of Education to use specified graduation rates when determining Adequate Yearly Progress under federal law.

RESOLUTION NO. 76-08 Re: **ITEM OF LEGISLATION**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. O'Neill seconded by Ms. Cox, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education strongly opposes **SB 824 – Alcohol and Drug Testing for Pupils in Public or Private Schools** that would require specified public and private or parochial school officials to implement a policy of alcohol and drug testing for high school pupils, under specified conditions; specifying that the testing is permitted only on the basis of a reasonable suspicion of unlawful use; requiring school officials to provide notice to specified persons of the alcohol and drug testing policy, maintain specified test results as confidential medical records, and grant access to the records only to specified persons.

RESOLUTION NO. 77-08 Re: **ITEM OF LEGISLATION**

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

Resolved, That the Board of Education support with amendments reflected in the discussion **SB 967 – College Access for Qualified Students** that would alter the requirements of a specified plan submitted by county boards of education to the Maryland State Board of Education; providing that specified students who achieve a specified score on a community college placement exam, and who also successfully complete a specified assessment and a specified other exam, be considered high school graduates and eligible

for specified student financial assistance; establishing a Study Group on Expanding Enrollment Options for High School Students.

RESOLUTION NO. 78-08 Re: **ITEM OF LEGISLATION**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Ms. Cox seconded by Ms. Brandman, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education supports **SB 473 – Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System - Passive Parental Consent** that would require the Maryland State Department of Education to require local school systems to utilize passive parental consent before administering a specified survey; requiring local school systems to provide parents with specified statements and forms.

Re: **FOR THE RECORD**

Ms. Cox pointed out that, on the previous bill, the concerns should reflect the Board's opposition to HSAs as a graduation requirement.

** At this point, Mrs. O'Neill left the meeting to testify in Annapolis on HSAs.

Re: **BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS**

Dr. Weast announced that MCPS will partner with the National Black Child Development Institute on entering the college zone beginning March 17, 2008. MCPS belongs to the American Productivity and Quality Center and MCPS has received the award for Best Practice District for Supporting Academic Achievement for English Language Learners.

Mr. Moskowitz thanked Chief Justice Roberts for speaking at Walt Whitman High School, and said the dialogue with students was very informative. Mr. Moskowitz attended the Blair Cluster meeting, and said the small discussion groups lead to good dialogue with the participants.

Ms. Cox stated that she too enjoyed the Chief Justice's visit, and she complimented Dr. Goodwin and Mr. Mathis for their work with the students. The students did a great job of following up and asking questions which demonstrated their knowledge and interest.

Ms. Brandman commented on the enjoyable read-aloud day at Jones Lane Elementary School. Also, she had the opportunity to participate in a discussion with students of the NAACP Youth Council Leaders, and the students were interested in learning what is taught, but there are limitations due to state and standardized tests.

Mrs. Navarro acknowledge the parents and staff at Stonegate Elementary School. Since it was an open school, the building was utilized in clusters with an open area. Also she presented a workshop on parental involvement organized by the ESOL office. The staff was very engaging, and it was an wonderful opportunity for parents.

Re: **TENTATIVE APPROVAL OF POLICY EEA,
STUDENT TRANSPORTATION**

On motion of the Policy Committee, the following resolution was placed on the table:

WHEREAS, Policy EEA, *Student Transportation*, establishes a safe, responsive, and accountable student transportation system and delineates the services provided; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education Policy Committee has considered and recommended revisions to Policy EEA, *Student Transportation*, that improve its organization and alignment with related policies and eliminate regulatory language; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education has received the Policy Committee's recommendation; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education take tentative action on Policy EEA, *Student Transportation*; and be it further

Resolved, That Policy EEA, *Student Transportation*, be sent out for public comment.

Student Transportation

A. PURPOSE

To establish safe, responsive, and accountable operation of the Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) student transportation system, in partnership with parents and students, and to delineate the services provided.

B. ISSUE

MCPS is authorized by the regulations of the state of Maryland to provide safe and efficient transportation to the students residing within Montgomery County. It is the Montgomery County Board of Education's responsibility to establish the operational standards of and eligibility criteria for its student transportation services. It is the responsibility of the Montgomery County Board of Education to work with other agencies when needed and to consider the safety of students when designing school site plans, including pedestrian and vehicular traffic patterns; assessing routes for walking to and from school and school bus stops; and establishing bus routes and locations of school bus stops.

C. POSITION

1. Eligibility for Transportation

- a) The Board of Education-adopted attendance areas for each school will be the basis upon which transported areas are defined. Students attending their home school who reside beyond the distances defined below will receive transportation services.

- (1) Transported areas surrounding MCPS schools are as follows:

Elementary Schools—beyond 1 mile
Middle Schools—beyond 1.5 miles
High Schools—beyond 2.0 miles

- (2) The superintendent of schools is authorized to extend these distances by one-tenth of a mile from these distances into establishing a reasonable line of demarcation between transported and non-transported areas.

- (3) Transportation may be provided for distances less than that authorized by Board policy if a condition is considered hazardous to the safety of students walking to or from school, or to establish a reasonable boundary consistent with safety standards outlined in C.2.

- b) The Board of Education may establish transportation services for certain consortia schools, magnet, gifted and talented, International Baccalaureate, language immersion, alternative, or other programs, based on the purposes of the programs, attendance areas, and available funding.
- c) Enhanced levels of transportation services will be provided to those students, such as special education students, who meet the eligibility requirements of federal and state laws. Commercial carriers may be used when MCPS cannot provide needed services.
- d) Nonpublic school students may be transported as specified under provisions of the Montgomery County Code. This service will be provided only on a space-available basis along established bus routes designed to serve public schools, in keeping with the terms and conditions as set forth in this policy.
- e) Under special circumstances, students may ride established bus routes across attendance boundaries for valid educational reasons.

- f) Mixed grade/age-level student loads are permitted.
- g) Buses may be used for educationally valuable purposes other than transporting students to and from the regular school day, such as field trips, extracurricular events, interscholastic sports, and outdoor education or academic programs. Unless otherwise approved by the superintendent or his or her designee, use of MCPS buses is limited to MCPS and other governmental agencies. MCPS will establish criteria and rates for the use of MCPS transportation services for purposes other than transporting students to and from school on the regular school day.

2. Student Safety

- a) MCPS will be responsible for routing buses in a manner that maximizes safety and efficiency.
- b) MCPS buses will not cross a main line railroad at grade crossing while in Montgomery County.
- c) MCPS will be responsible for designing traffic control patterns for new and renovated schools prior to the completion of construction. MCPS will assess the safety of proposed traffic control patterns, taking into consideration safe approaches by pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorists.
- d) MCPS will be responsible for conducting safety evaluations of bus stops and recommended walking routes. The following standards will apply:
 - (1) Students are expected to walk in residential areas along and across streets, with or without sidewalks.
 - (2) Students are expected to walk along primary roadways with sidewalks or a shoulder that allows walking along the roadway without walking in the traveled portion of the road, except to pass occasional parked vehicles and other obstacles.
 - (3) Middle and high school (secondary) students are expected to be able to cross all controlled intersections where traffic signals, lined crosswalks, or other traffic control devices are available safely except that
 - (4) Elementary school students may be required to cross primary

roadways where an adult crossing guard is present.

- (5) Elementary and middle school students are not expected to cross mainline railroad tracks, unless a pedestrian underpass, overpass, or adult crossing guard is present.
- (6) Students are expected to walk along public or private pathways or other pedestrian routes.
- e) MCPS will develop guidelines that clearly articulate the process for handling and investigating accidents so that injured students and staff are cared for promptly, further injury is prevented, and correct and timely information is disseminated to all necessary parties.
- f) Student safety, security, and comfort depend on appropriate behavior on MCPS buses identical to that expected of students in school. The Board of Education affirms that, while riding the bus, students are on school property, and disciplinary infractions will be dealt with in accordance with Regulation JFA-RA, *Student Rights and Responsibilities* and other related policies and regulations.

3. Community Partnerships

- a) MCPS will encourage a partnership of students, parents, and school staff to teach and enforce safe transportation practices.
 - (1) MCPS will implement a systemwide outreach and education program to teach safe walking practices en route to and from school, encourage safe bus-riding behavior, and address student conduct on buses.
 - (2) School staffs will encourage parents to teach their students safe walking practices en route to and from school.
 - (3) Bus operators and attendants are responsible for maintaining safe conditions for students boarding, riding, and exiting the bus. MCPS will provide preservice and in-service instruction to bus operators and attendants, consistent with COMAR 13A.06.07.09.
 - (4) Parents will be responsible for their child's safety along their walking route and at the bus stop. While waiting at bus stops, students should observe safe practices, respect persons and private property, and stand well off the traveled portion of the

road.

- b) The principals and presidents of PTA or parent teacher organizations at special programs located at special centers that operate in lieu of nationally affiliated PTAs will be notified of routing changes that involve reductions of service in a timely manner, as described in Regulation EEA-RA.

4. Identification and Resolution of Transportation and Safety Issues

Members of the public are encouraged to address inquiries, concerns, or complaints regarding student transportation as set forth in Policy KLA, *Responding to Inquiries and Complaints from the Public*. Complaints not resolved through the cluster transportation supervisor or other department staff, including the director of transportation, may be appealed to the chief operating officer, who will render a decision on behalf of the superintendent of schools, advising the appellant of the right to further appeal to the Board of Education, consistent with the Education Article, *Annotated Code of Maryland*, Section 3-903(c).

5. Environmental and Economic Considerations

MCPS will balance environmental and economic factors when operating and maintaining its vehicles.

D. DESIRED OUTCOME

MCPS will have an efficient system of student transportation that provides an appropriate means of travel to and from school, is responsive to community input, and, in partnership with parents and students, and coordinates effective community participation in the safe movement of students on a daily basis.

E. IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES

The superintendent will develop regulations to implement this policy as needed.

F. REVIEW AND REPORTING

This policy will be reviewed on an ongoing basis, in accordance with the Board of Education policy review process.

RESOLUTION NO. 79-08

Re: **AN AMENDMENT TO POLICY EEA, *STUDENT TRANSPORTATION***

On motion of Ms. Cox and seconded by Mr. Moskowitz, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education amend to policy at C.1.(3) d) to read:

~~Nonpublic school~~ Students **who attend denominational and parochial schools** may be transported as specified under provisions of the Montgomery County Code.

RESOLUTION NO. 80-08 Re: **TENTATIVE APPROVAL OF POLICY EEA, STUDENT TRANSPORTATION**

On motion of the Policy Committee, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, Policy EEA, *Student Transportation*, establishes a safe, responsive, and accountable student transportation system and delineates the services provided; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education Policy Committee has considered and recommended revisions to Policy EEA, *Student Transportation*, that improve its organization and alignment with related policies and eliminate regulatory language; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education has received the Policy Committee's recommendation; now therefore be it

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Resolved, That Policy EEA, *Student Transportation*, be sent out for public comment.

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responsibility of the Montgomery County Board of Education to work with other agencies when needed and to consider the safety of students when designing school site plans, including pedestrian and vehicular traffic patterns; assessing routes for walking to and from school and school bus stops; and establishing bus routes and locations of school bus stops.

C. POSITION

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- b) The Board of Education may establish transportation services for certain consortia schools and magnet, gifted and talented, International Baccalaureate, language immersion, alternative, or other programs, based on the purposes of the programs, attendance areas, and available funding.

- c) Enhanced levels of transportation services will be provided to those students, such as special education students, who meet the eligibility requirements of federal and state laws. Commercial carriers may be used when MCPS cannot provide needed services.

- d) Students who attend denominational and parochial schools may be transported, as specified under provisions of the Montgomery County

Code. This service will be provided only on a space-available basis along established bus routes designed to serve public schools in keeping with the terms and conditions as set forth in this policy.

- e) Under special circumstances, students may ride established bus routes across attendance boundaries for valid educational reasons.
- f) Mixed grade/age-level student loads are permitted.
- g) Buses may be used for educationally valuable purposes other than transporting students to and from the regular school day, such as field trips, extracurricular events, interscholastic sports, and outdoor education or academic programs. Unless otherwise approved by the superintendent or his or her designee, use of MCPS buses is limited to MCPS and other governmental agencies. MCPS will establish criteria and rates for the use of MCPS transportation services for purposes other than transporting students to and from school on the regular school day.

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- (3) Middle and high school (secondary) students are expected to be able to cross all controlled intersections where traffic signals, lined crosswalks, or other traffic control devices are available, safely except that
 - (4) Elementary school students may be required to cross primary roadways where an adult crossing guard is present.
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 - f) Student safety, security, and comfort depend on appropriate behavior on MCPS buses identical to that expected of students in school. The Board of Education affirms that, while riding the bus, students are on school property, and disciplinary infractions will be dealt with in accordance with Regulation JFA-RA: *Student Rights and Responsibilities* and other related policies and regulations.
3. Community Partnerships
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b) The principals and presidents of parent teacher organizations (PTAs) at special programs located at special centers that operate in lieu of nationally affiliated PTAs will be notified of routing changes that involve reductions of service in a timely manner, as described in Regulation EEA-RA.

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Members of the public are encouraged to address inquiries, concerns, or complaints regarding student transportation, as set forth in Policy KLA, *Responding to Inquiries and Complaints from the Public*. Complaints not resolved through the cluster transportation supervisor or other department staff, including the director of transportation, may be appealed to the chief operating officer, who will render a decision on behalf of the superintendent of schools, advising the appellant of the right to further appeal to the Board of Education, consistent with the Education Article, *Annotated Code of Maryland*, Section 3-903(c).

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E. IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES

The superintendent will develop regulations to implement this policy as needed.

F. REVIEW AND REPORTING

This policy will be reviewed on an ongoing basis, in accordance with the Board of Education policy review process.

Re: **DISCUSSION**

Ms. Cox pointed out that when the policy is sent out for public comment, the framework of the regulation will be included to help people know the full direction of the policy and regulation.

RESOLUTION NO. 81-08

Re: **RECOGNITION OF EDUCATORS WHO EARNED CERTIFICATION FROM THE NATIONAL BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS IN 2007**

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

WHEREAS, The National Board for Professional Teaching Standards has established a voluntary certification program to recognize outstanding teacher competency; and

WHEREAS, The Maryland State Department of Education and the Montgomery County Public Schools have participated in programs of financial aid to encourage educators to engage in the rigorous process of becoming a National Board Certified Teacher; and

WHEREAS, The Montgomery County Public Schools provides a variety of supports to assist candidates as they work through the process of National Board Certification; and

WHEREAS, The Montgomery County Public Schools has identified the skills, competencies, and rigor of the National Board's Core Propositions as the foundation for the Teachers' Professional Growth System; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education supports increasing the number of National Board Certified Educators; and be it further

Resolved, That the Montgomery County Public Schools recognizes and appreciates the leadership skills and abilities of National Board Certified educators that benefit our staff, students, and communities; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education and the superintendent of schools urge all Montgomery County residents to join in recognizing these educators and express their appreciation for these educators and the skills they bring to the students of the Montgomery County Public Schools; and be it further_

Resolved, That the Board of Education hereby recognizes the educators listed below for having completed the National Board Certification process and received the certificate in November 2007.

Lisa Alderoty, Grade 4 teacher, DuFief Elementary School
Margaret M. Arnold, guidance counselor, John Poole Middle School
Virginia A. Azuree, general science teacher, Richard Montgomery High School
Jessica M. Bain, Grade 4 teacher, Pine Crest Elementary School
Amy M. Barnes, reading initiative teacher, Waters Landing Elementary School
Allison M. Becker, mathematics teacher, Broad Acres Elementary School
Leslie V. Blaha, biology teacher, Montgomery Blair High School
Wayne Breslyn, chemistry teacher, Gaithersburg High School
Patricia L. Carballo, social studies teacher, Albert Einstein High School
Michelle I. Cohen, ESOL teacher, Sligo Middle School
Barbara A. Covington, media specialist, Highland View Elementary School
Mark E. Craemer, general science resource teacher, Lakelands Park Middle School
Lucia Daubresse, Spanish resource teacher, Walter Johnson High School
Jennifer L. Delorge McKeown, mathematics focus teacher, New Hampshire Estates ES
James M. Douglas, biology resource teacher, Sherwood High School
Amani M. Elkassabany, staff development teacher, Thomas S. Wootton High School
Allison L. Erdman, general science teacher, Sherwood High School
Reyna S. Farber, Grade 3 teacher, Kemp Mill Elementary School
Deborah C. Firestone, staff development teacher, Wheaton Woods Elementary School
Rachel F. Fisher, Kindergarten teacher, Little Bennett Elementary School
Brian D. Freiss, Grade 5 teacher, Highland Elementary School
Anna M. Galdi, Spanish teacher, Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School
Noreen P. Gale, Grade 2 teacher, Oakland Terrace Elementary School
Lisa M. Gallo, reading teacher, Summit Hall Elementary School
Edward L. Gardiner, computer science teacher, Poolesville High School
Bonnie C. Globerman, Grade 1 teacher, Arcola Elementary School
Carolyn J. Goshen, media specialist, Beall Elementary School
Carol A. Gough-Alonso, Spanish teacher, Walt Whitman High School
John A. Haigh, III, biology teacher, Montgomery Blair High School
Jennifer R. Hammer, staff development teacher, Summit Hall Elementary School
Lisa L. Harris, Grade 5 teacher, Pine Crest Elementary School
Kimberly A. Henriquez, staff development teacher, Germantown Elementary School
Raegan M. Hilbrecht, Grade 3 teacher, Fallsmead Elementary School
Nicole C. Hopkins, biology teacher, Montgomery Blair High School
David F. Horgan, English teacher, Thomas W. Pyle Middle School
Meredith R. Howington, Grade 1 teacher, S. Christa McAuliffe Elementary School
Michael J. Humphreys, science teacher, Thomas W. Pyle Middle School
Daniel T. Hutton, Grade 1 teacher, Takoma Park Elementary School
Abby J. Jacobs, Kindergarten teacher, Twinbrook Elementary School
Sarah W. Kass, English teacher, Walt Whitman High School

Julianne B. Kettleman, Grade 2 teacher, Seven Locks Elementary School
Susan J. Kite, science teacher, Walt Whitman High School
Diane Kolata, Grade 5 teacher, Chevy Chase Elementary School
Katherine R. Landry, media specialist, Lucy V. Barnsley Elementary School
Debra G. Levine, Grade 1 teacher, Watkins Mill Elementary School
Therese O. Louie, ESOL teacher, Fallsmead Elementary School
Julie R. Lowe, Grade 3 teacher, Sherwood Elementary School
Michelle M. Mach, instructional specialist, Longview School
Kristen M. Mankulish, Grade 1 teacher, Greenwood Elementary School
Candice E. Marshall, Grade 1 teacher, Kensington Parkwood Elementary School
Susan C. Mathis, instrumental music teacher, Oakland Terrace Elementary School
Joy A. McIntyre, media specialist, John Poole Middle School
Rosemary P. McNary, general science resource teacher, Silver Spring International MS
Carin A. Moran, Grade 5 teacher, Woodfield Elementary School
Martin J. Morin, English literacy coach, Seneca Valley High School
George C. Pappas, staff development teacher, Silver Spring International Middle School
Marie G. Paul, general science teacher, Wheaton High School
Damon L. Pigrom, physical education teacher, James Hubert Blake High School
Rebecca E. Redman, Kindergarten teacher, Great Seneca Creek Elementary School
Jane H. Reiser, mathematics resource teacher, Herbert Hoover Middle School
Valerie S. Rey, mathematics teacher, Thomas W. Pyle Middle School
James R. Schafer, physics teacher, Montgomery Blair High School
Linda M. Schneider, staff development teacher, Burtonsville Elementary School
Donna M. Schwartz, Grade 4 teacher, Woodfield Elementary School
Stephanie S. Sheron, social studies resource teacher, Lakelands Park Middle School
Catherine A. Sparrow, Grade 3 teacher, Poolesville Elementary School
Tara M. Strain, English resource teacher, Cabin John Middle School
Jennifer R. Strouble, special education resource teacher, Great Seneca Creek ES
Caitlin M. Sullivan, chemistry teacher, Montgomery Blair High School
Hue Tran, ESOL teacher, Takoma Park Middle School
Rui-Hung Tsai, media specialist, Jones Lane Elementary School
Carolynn Walsleben, Grade 5 teacher, Woodfield Elementary School
Cynthia H. Weston, Grade 5 teacher, Fox Chapel Elementary School
Juliet D. Wolfe, Kindergarten teacher, Bells Mill Elementary School

Re: **DISCUSSION**

Mr. Barclay asked for a chart of all schools with teaching positions where there are personnel certified by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.

RESOLUTION NO. 82-08 Re: **FINAL ACTION ON POLICY HDD, *DESIGNATION OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL***

**AS EXCLUSIVE REPRESENTATIVE OF
NONCERTIFICATED SUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES**

On motion of the Policy Committee, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, The Board Policy Committee has considered and recommended proposed Policy HDD, *Designation of the Montgomery County Association of Administrative and Supervisory Personnel as Exclusive Representative of Noncertificated Supervisory Employees*; and

WHEREAS, Policy HDD memorializes the designation of the Montgomery County Association of Administrative and Supervisory Personnel as the exclusive representative of noncertificated supervisory employees; and

WHEREAS, On December 11, 2007, the Board of Education took tentative action to adopt Policy HDD; and

WHEREAS, Policy HDD was sent out for public comment and no comments were received; and

WHEREAS, On February 13, 2008, the Policy Committee reviewed the policy and recommended no further changes; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education adopt Policy HDD, *Designation of the Montgomery County Association of Administrative and Supervisory Personnel as Exclusive Representative of Noncertificated Supervisory Employees*.

**Designation of the Montgomery County Association
of Administrative and Supervisory Personnel
as Exclusive Representative of Noncertificated Supervisory
Employees**

WHEREAS, In August 2006, the Montgomery County Association of Administrative and Supervisory Personnel (MCAASP), in accordance with the requirements of *The Annotated Code of Maryland, Education, Section 6-506*, requested the opportunity to enter into negotiations with the Board of Education on the subject of establishing a bargaining unit of noncertificated supervisory employees; and

WHEREAS, On September 14, 2006, the Board of Education directed the superintendent to enter into negotiations with any interested employee organization to determine the composition of a unit of noncertificated supervisory employees who were not then currently

in a bargaining unit; and

WHEREAS, Both MCAASP and the Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 500 requested negotiations with the Board of Education on the subject of the composition of the bargaining unit; and

WHEREAS, Negotiations have occurred involving both organizations requesting negotiations on this issue and the representatives of the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, On March 26, 2007, the Board of Education approved the formation of a bargaining unit of noncertificated supervisory employees; and

WHEREAS, The unit is to consist of noncertificated supervisory employees who provide responsible direction to other employees and exercise independent judgment, are responsible for the evaluation of at least two other employees, and who do not report to members of the SEIU Local 500 bargaining unit, and all other similarly situated positions now and in the future; and

WHEREAS, The unit shall include those positions identified in the attachment to the Board's resolution of March 26, 2007, but only to the extent those positions meet the description of the unit set forth above and may include other positions meeting the unit description in the future; and

WHEREAS, Management personnel, confidential employees, and those persons designated by the Board of Education to act in a negotiations capacity, all pursuant to Section 6-501 of *The Annotated Code of Maryland, Education*, and temporary employees are excluded from any unit; and

WHEREAS, On May 22, 2007, MCAASP submitted certification that it has membership enrollment of at least 30 percent of the public school employees in the unit named in this resolution as provided under *The Annotated Code of Maryland, Education*, Section 6-506; and

WHEREAS, On May 29, 2007, MCAASP submitted certification that it has membership enrollment of the majority of the public school employees in the unit named in this resolution as provided under *The Annotated Code of Maryland, Education*, Section 6-506; and

WHEREAS, As of the May 28, 2007, deadline, no other employee organization has certified having a membership enrollment of at least 10 percent of the total number of employees in such unit; and

WHEREAS, MCAASP did not request an election under *The Annotated Code of Maryland, Education*, Section 6-506; now therefore be it

Resolved, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Annotated Code of Maryland, Education*, Section 6-506 (e) *Designation without an election*, the Board of Education hereby designates the Montgomery County Association of Administrative and Supervisory Personnel as the exclusive representative of all public school employees in the unit named in this resolution, effective June 13, 2007, and continuing as provided by law; and be it further

Resolved, That management personnel, confidential employees, and those persons designated by the Board of Education to act in a negotiations capacity, all pursuant to Section 6-501 of *The Annotated Code of Maryland, Education*, are excluded from this unit, pursuant to *The Annotated Code of Maryland, Education*, Section 6-506, and temporary employees are excluded from any unit.

Re: **LUNCH AND CLOSED SESSION**

The Board of Education recessed from 12:00 to 1:35 p.m. for lunch and closed session.

** Ms. Cox left the meeting at this point.

RESOLUTION NO. 83-08

Re: **CONTRACTS OF \$25,000 OR MORE**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Moskowitz seconded by Ms. Brandman, 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. 7114.3, Bus Wash Chemicals, be rejected due to changes in specifications; now therefore be it

Resolved, That Bid No. 7114.3, Bus Wash Chemicals, be rejected due to changes in specifications; and be it further

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

06SC-42 Assessment Management Software System—Extension

Awardee

Scantron Corporation

\$ 290,000

4062.0 Art Supplies—Extension

Awardees

	Commercial Art Supply	\$ 12,531
	Dick Blick East	6,094
	Elgin School Supply Company, Inc.	5,977
	Integrity School Supplies*	20,232
	Interstate Office Supply Company*	482
	Pyramid School Products	80,730
	Sax Arts & Crafts	72,350
	Windtree Enterprises, Inc.	<u>58,987</u>
	Total	\$ 257,383
4064.9	Ceramic Supplies—Extension	
	<u>Awardees</u>	
	Campbells Ceramics Supply Company	\$ 58,530
	Sax Arts & Crafts	3,831
	Windtree Enterprises, Inc.	<u>4,496</u>
	Total	\$ 66,857
4089.6	Envelopes	
	<u>Awardees</u>	
	Meadwestvaco Corporation	\$ 72,767
	Quill Corporation	16,901
	Standard Stationery Supply Company	<u>4,471</u>
	Total	\$ 94,139
7129.3	Asbestos Abatement Equipment and Supplies	
	<u>Awardees</u>	
	American Environmental Enterprises	\$ 43,663
	BWI Distribution, Inc.	<u>67,801</u>
	Total	\$ 111,464
7140.2	Telecommunications and Network Wiring Installation and Integration—Extension	
	<u>Awardees</u> (See note)	
	Ark Systems	
	CTS, Inc.*	
	Netcom Technologies, Inc.	
	Systcom, Inc.	
	TCV, LLC	
	Vision Technologies*	
	Total	\$2,200,000

7141.2	Broadband Cable Network Cabling Installation and Integration—Extension	
	<u>Awardees</u> (See note)	
	Netcom Technologies, Inc.	
	System, Inc.	
	TCV, LLC	
	Total	\$ 500,000
7148.2	Tires, Mounting, Balancing, and Alignment	
	<u>Awardee</u>	
	S&S Tire Service, Inc.*	\$ 66,293
7165.1	Magazine Subscriptions—Extension	
	<u>Awardee</u>	
	W.T. Cox Subscriptions, Inc.	\$ 235,000
9001.5	Door Hardware, Closures, and Exit Devices—Extension	
	<u>Awardees</u>	
	Accredited Lock Supply	\$ 73,741
	Blaydes Industries, Inc.	2,000
	Brunswick Door Company	12,000
	Taylor Security & Lock Company, Inc.	<u>175,000</u>
	Total	\$ 262,741
9003.4	Hardware Supplies	
	<u>Awardees</u>	
	MSF County Services Company	\$ 115,935
	Pikesville Lumber Company	<u>3,133</u>
	Total	\$ 119,068
9016.4	Electrical Supplies and Equipment—Extension	
	<u>Awardees</u>	
	Atlantic Electrical Supply Corporation	\$ 21,000
	C.N. Robinson Lighting Supply Company	88,445
	Consolidated Electrical District, Inc.	3,000
	Fastenal Company	12,000
	Grainger, Inc.	17,000
	Graybar Electric Company, Inc.	50,000
	Maurice Electric Supply Company, Inc.	125,000

	United Electric Supply	<u>298,000</u>
	Total	\$ 614,445
9056.6	Baseball Supplies and Equipment—Extension	
	<u>Awardees</u>	
	Anaconda Sports, Inc.	\$ 23,276
	Passon's Sports	<u>8,294</u>
	Total	\$ 31,570
9057.8	Basketball Supplies and Equipment—Extension	
	<u>Awardees</u>	
	Anaconda Sports, Inc.	\$ 8,721
	Bill Fritz Sports Corporation	19,930
	Cannon Sports, Inc.*	3,777
	Gopher Sport	1,565
	Passon's Sports	22,995
	Sports Stop, Inc.	<u>22,879</u>
	Total	\$ 79,867
9062.8	Football Supplies and Equipment—Extension	
	<u>Awardees</u>	
	Anaconda Sports, Inc.	\$ 11,928
	Football America	9,921
	Marlow Sports, Inc.*	45,913
	Marty Gilman, Inc.*	1,200
	Passon's Sports	14,759
	Riddell All American	84,717
	Rodgers Athletic Company	700
	Sports Stop, Inc.	2,592
	Sports USA Jenco Enterprises*	<u>2,368</u>
	Total	\$174,098
9068.7	Softball Supplies and Equipment—Extension	
	<u>Awardees</u>	
	Anaconda Sports, Inc.	\$ 20,336
	Passon's Sports	5,768
	Sports Stop, Inc.	<u>13,348</u>
	Total	\$ 39,452

9083.5	Physical Education Supplies and Equipment—Extension	
	<u>Awardees</u>	
	Bill Fritz Sports Corporation	\$ 1,152
	Bremen Company, Inc.	4,680
	Cannon Sports, Inc.*	2,554
	Deary's Gymnastics Supply	55,008
	Dollamur	56,060
	Flaghouse, Inc.	6,243
	Gopher Sport	966
	Greg Larson Sports	4,248
	Gregg United Sports, Inc.	8,609
	Medco Supply Company	4,630
	M.F. Athletic Company	3,167
	Passon's Sports	186,970
	Pioneer Manufacturing	33,860
	Pyramid School Products	32,175
	Resilite Sports Products, Inc.	31,494
	S&S Worldwide	653
	Henry Schein, Inc.	4,635
	Sportime, LLC	23,438
	Sports Imports, Inc.	55,518
	Sports USA Jenco Enterprises*	4,567
	Sportsman's	51,077
	The Athletic Equipment Source	3,465
	USC, Inc.	<u>8,295</u>
	Total	\$ 583,464
9096.5	Removal/Disposal and Testing Underground Fuel Tanks	
	<u>Awardee</u>	
	Apex Environmental, Inc.	\$ 100,000
9162.3	Tennis Court Color Coating and Accessories—Extension**	
	<u>Awardee</u>	
	American Tennis Courts*	\$ 375,000
9346.4	Portable Classroom Wood Canopy and Decking at Various Locations—Extension**	
	<u>Awardee</u>	
	D.L. Brown Construction	\$ 84,000

9363.4	Line Painting of Asphalt Parking Lots at Various Locations**	
	<u>Awardee</u> Colossal Contractors*	\$ 32,945
9396.2	Life Safety Systems Inspection and Testing at Various Locations—Extension**	
	<u>Awardee</u> Tenn Security, Inc.	\$ 300,000
9636.1	Fire Alarm Replacement at Various Locations—Extension**	
	<u>Awardee</u> SPC, Inc.	\$ 500,000
TOTAL PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS OVER \$25,000		\$7,117,786

* Denotes Minority-, Female-, or Disabled-owned Business

** Planned Life-cycle Asset Replacement Bid (PLAR)

Re: **DISCUSSION**

Ms. Navarro asked for the past history and current percentage of Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) participation.

RESOLUTION NO. 84-08 Re: **AWARD OF CONTRACTS—ON-CALL CONSTRUCTION SERVICES**

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

WHEREAS, It is necessary to have a pool of general contractors capable of responding to short-term, critical, facilities-related construction projects such as those funded in the Capital Improvements Program under the Americans with Disabilities Act Compliance and Building Modifications and Program Improvements projects; and

WHEREAS, Many of these projects can be completed only during the summer break and require the contractors to order materials and begin work as soon as classes are dismissed in June; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Facilities Management has solicited and reviewed technical proposals from firms that expressed an interest in working for the Montgomery County

Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, The following firms have been technically qualified to perform work on short-term, critical projects:

Biscayne Contractors, Inc.
John W. Brawner Contracting Company, Inc.
T. Brooks, Inc.
Capitol Technology Services, Inc.
CDCI, Inc.
Cottonwood Construction, Inc.
Golden Construction, Inc.
Hanlon Construction Company, Inc.
Henley Construction Co., Inc.
Hess Construction Company, Inc.
J & L Services, Inc.
Keller Brothers, Inc.
Roy Kirby & Sons, Inc.
William F. Klingensmith, Inc.
Maggin Construction Company, Inc.
PCM Services, Inc.
Smith & Haines, Inc.
Tito Contractors, Inc.
Tuckman-Barbee Construction Co., Inc.
Walker-Willis Corporation

now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Department of Facilities Management be authorized to solicit proposals for short-term, critical, facility-related services as needs arise, utilizing the above-listed firms on an on-call basis for a period of one year; and be it further

Resolved, That the Department of Facilities Management be authorized to proceed with work procured from the on-call contractor that submits the lowest cost proposal for a specific project for a fee consistent with the funding approved for projects in the Capital Improvements Program; and be it further

Resolved, That any contracts exceeding \$100,000 be sent to the Board of Education as an information item after the award of contract.

RESOLUTION NO. 85-08

Re: **AWARD OF CONTRACTS—ON-CALL HEATING, VENTILATION, AND AIR CONDITIONING REPLACEMENT SERVICES**

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

WHEREAS, Funds have been appropriated in the Capital Budget for heating, ventilation, and air conditioning projects; and

WHEREAS, It is necessary to have a pool of technically qualified contractors to provide these replacements; and

WHEREAS, Bids will be solicited from these qualified contractors for the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning projects to determine the lowest price for completion of the work; and

WHEREAS, It is necessary to award a contract immediately after the bid to enable the contractor to place orders for equipment with long lead times and ensure the timely completion of the projects to coincide with the schools' cooling and heating seasons; and

WHEREAS, The following firms have been technically qualified to provide the mechanical services needed for heating, ventilation, and air conditioning Capital Improvements Program projects; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the following firms be approved as technically qualified contractors to provide bids on heating, ventilation, and air conditioning replacement projects for a period of one year:

CDCI, Inc.
Hurley Company
M & M Welding and Fabricators, Inc.
Mallick Plumbing & Heating, Incorporated
Adrian L. Merton, Inc.
PRO-AIR, Inc.
Shapiro & Duncan, Inc.
Welch and Rushe Mechanical Contractors

and be it further

Resolved, That the Department of Facilities Management be authorized to solicit competitive proposals for heating, ventilation, and air conditioning projects from the qualified contractors and proceed with the on-call contractor that submits the lowest cost proposal for a fee consistent with the funding approved for projects in the Capital Improvements Program; and be it further

Resolved, That the contracts awarded be sent to the Board of Education as an information item after the award of contract.

RESOLUTION NO. 86-08

Re: **ARCHITECTURAL APPOINTMENT—
FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR THE NORTHWOOD
HIGH SCHOOL WELLNESS CENTER**

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

WHEREAS, It is necessary to appoint an architectural firm to provide professional and technical services to conduct a feasibility study for a high school wellness center at Northwood High School; and

WHEREAS, Funds for this feasibility study have been programmed as part of the FY 2008 Capital Budget; and

WHEREAS, An Architect Selection Committee, in accordance with procedures adopted by the Board of Education on April 20, 2006, identified the following architect as the most qualified firm to provide the necessary professional architectural and engineering services:

<u>School Project</u>	<u>Architectural Firm</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Northwood High School Wellness Center	Samaha Associates, P.C.	\$20,000

and

WHEREAS, Staff has negotiated a fee for the 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 Samaha Associates, P.C., to provide professional architectural and engineering services for the Northwood High School Wellness Center feasibility study for a fee of \$20,000.

RESOLUTION NO. 87-08

Re: **ARCHITECTURAL APPOINTMENTS
—RELOCATABLE CLASSROOMS**

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

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

WHEREAS, Funds are appropriated annually in the Capital Improvements Program for the Relocatable Classroom Project; and

WHEREAS, Architectural and engineering services are required for the development of site plans and associated permitting activities for the Relocatable Classroom Project; and

WHEREAS, The number of relocatable classroom building moves requires architectural firms be employed to complete the planning activities in time to finish the relocation work before school starts in August 2008; and

WHEREAS, An Architect Selection Committee, in accordance with procedures adopted by the Board of Education on April 20, 2006, selected JK Architects + Associates and The K Group as the most qualified firms to provide the necessary professional architectural and engineering services; and

WHEREAS, JK Architects + Associates and The K Group are Maryland Department of Transportation-certified minority firms; and

WHEREAS, JK Architects + Associates and The K Group are currently under contract to provide architectural and engineering services for relocatable classroom buildings for a fee of \$1,250 per site for design development and \$6,650 per site for construction documents and permitting services and have agreed to extend their contracts through FY 2009; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Montgomery County Board of Education extend the contractual agreements with the architectural firms of JK Architects + Associates and The K Group to provide professional architectural and engineering services as requirements arise for relocatable classroom moves, for a fee of \$1,250 per site for design development and \$6,650 per site for construction documents and permitting services.

RESOLUTION NO. 88-08

Re: **CONSULTANT APPOINTMENT
—CONSTRUCTABILITY ANALYSIS**

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

WHEREAS, It is necessary to appoint an engineering firm to provide professional constructability analysis services for construction projects on an as-needed basis; and

WHEREAS, A Professional Consultant Selection Committee, in accordance with procedures adopted by the Board of Education on April 20, 2006, identified Construction Consultants Associates, Inc. as the most qualified firm to provide the necessary professional constructability analysis services; and

WHEREAS, Staff will negotiate fees for the necessary constructability analysis services based on the size and complexity of individual projects; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Montgomery County Board of Education enter into a contractual agreement with the firm of Construction Consultants Associates, Inc., to provide professional constructability analysis services as requirements arise, for a fee not to exceed \$90,000 for an individual project.

RESOLUTION NO. 89-08

Re: **PRECONSTRUCTION/CONSTRUCTION
MANAGEMENT SERVICES—CABIN JOHN
MIDDLE SCHOOL MODERNIZATION**

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

WHEREAS, The FY 2008 Capital Improvements Program includes planning funds for the modernization of Cabin John Middle School; and

WHEREAS, The design phase of this project is proceeding, with construction scheduled to begin in July 2009 and be completed by August 2011; and

WHEREAS, Staff has recommended that this project be completed using a construction management delivery system, due to its complexities and scope of work; and

WHEREAS, A Consultant Selection Committee utilizing procedures adopted by the Board of Education on April 20, 2006, identified Dustin Enterprises, Inc. as the most qualified firm to provide the necessary construction management services; and

WHEREAS, The construction management services will be implemented in two phases; and

WHEREAS, The initial phase will consist of preconstruction services for cost estimating, value engineering, constructability planning, and the development of the construction implementation schedule; and

WHEREAS, Staff has negotiated a fee for the preconstruction services; and

WHEREAS, The second phase will consist of general construction management services, and a fee for the second phase will be negotiated once the preconstruction services are completed; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Montgomery County Board of Education enter into a contractual agreement with Dustin Enterprises, Inc. to provide phase one preconstruction services for value engineering, constructability reviews, and the development of the construction implementation schedule for the modernization of Cabin John Middle School for a fee of \$128,000.

RESOLUTION NO. 90-08

Re: **ACCEPTANCE OF THE BEL PRE
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYMNASIUM
ADDITION PROJECT**

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

WHEREAS, On behalf of the Board of Education, Board Member Christopher Barclay inspected the Bel Pre Elementary School gymnasium addition project on Friday, February 15, 2008; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education accept the Bel Pre Elementary School gymnasium addition project and that the official date of completion is that date when formal notice is received from the architect that this project has been completed, in accordance with the drawings and specifications, and all contract requirements have been met.

RESOLUTION NO. 91-08

Re: **RENEWAL OF NEW RELOCATABLE
CLASSROOM UNIT LEASING**

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

WHEREAS, On behalf of the Board of Education, Board Member Christopher Barclay inspected the Bel Pre Elementary School gymnasium addition project on Friday, February 15, 2008; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education accept the Bel Pre Elementary School gymnasium addition project and that the official date of completion is that date when formal notice is received from the architect that this project has been completed, in accordance with the drawings and specifications, and all contract requirements have been met.

RESOLUTION NO. 92-08

Re: **SPECIAL APPROPRIATION
REQUEST—FORWARD FUNDING OF
QUALIFIED ZONE ACADEMY BOND GRANTS**

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

WHEREAS, In FY 2008, the state of Maryland was authorized to issue Qualified Zone Academy Bond Grants for eligible school construction projects; and

WHEREAS, The state legislature allocated \$821,000 for the Montgomery County Public Schools as part of the FY 2008 State Capital Improvements Program; and

WHEREAS, The State Public School Construction Program requires that the approved Qualified Zone Academy Bond projects be completed before reimbursement can occur; and

WHEREAS, A special appropriation from the County Council is required to forward fund the Qualified Zone Academy Bond projects; and

WHEREAS, The state Public School Construction Program will reimburse Montgomery County for the entire cost of the projects once completed; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Montgomery County Board of Education requests an FY 2008 special appropriation and amendment to its FY 2008 Capital Budget and Amended FY 2007–2012 Capital Improvements Program in the amount of \$821,000 from the County Council to forward fund the Qualified Zone Academy Bond program; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the county executive requesting approval of this action by the County Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 93-08

Re: **FY 2008 SPECIAL APPROPRIATION
REQUEST FOR RELOCATABLE
CLASSROOMS**

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

WHEREAS, The Board of Education's Requested FY 2009–2014 Capital Improvements Program includes \$3.125 million in the FY 2009 Capital Budget for relocatable classrooms to accommodate student population changes for the 2008–2009 school year; and

WHEREAS, These funds are programmed to be expended during summer 2008 but will not be available until the County Council takes final action on the Board of Education's Capital Improvements Program request in May 2008; and

WHEREAS, The contracts for the relocation and installation work for the FY 2009 relocatable classroom moves must be executed prior to May 15, 2008, in order to have the units ready for the start of school in August 2008; and

WHEREAS, The appropriation authority to expend the funds programmed for FY 2009 must be approved by the County Council before the Board of Education can enter into contracts; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education request an FY 2008 special appropriation in the amount of \$3.125 million to accelerate the requested FY 2009 appropriation to provide for the execution of contracts for relocatable classroom moves planned for summer 2008 to address school enrollment changes in time for the beginning of the 2008–2009 school year;

and be it further

Resolved, That this request be forwarded to the county executive and the County Council for action.

RESOLUTION NO. 94-08 Re: **UTILIZATION OF THE FY 2008 PROVISION
FOR FUTURE SUPPORTED PROJECTS
FUNDS**

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

WHEREAS, The above-noted grants qualify for a transfer of appropriation from the Provision for Future Supported Projects, pursuant to the provisions of County Council Resolution No. 15-631, approved May 27, 2007; and

WHEREAS, The above-noted projects do not require any present or future county funds; and

WHEREAS, Sufficient appropriation is available, within the FY 2008 Provision for Future Supported Projects, to permit the above-noted transfers within state categories; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to receive and expend, within the FY 2008 Provision for Future Supported Projects, as specified below:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Positions*</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Enhancing Foreign Language Instruction		\$ 38,300
Title II Tech Prep Education—Carl D. Perkins		30,000
Middle School Tobacco Use Prevention Training Howard Hughes Medical Institute—Science Education Project	2.125	14,624 651,000
Howard Hughes Medical Institute—Science Education Project Enhancement	—	<u>306,000</u>
Total	<u>2.125</u>	<u>\$ 1,039,924</u>

Positions*

- 1.5 fiscal assistant
- .625 technical manager

and be it further

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

RESOLUTION NO. 95-08 Re: **RECOMMENDED FY 2008 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION AND CATEGORICAL TRANSFERS FOR THE PROVISION FOR FUTURE SUPPORTED PROJECTS**

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

WHEREAS, The FY 2008 Operating Budget adopted by the Board of Education on June 12, 2007, included \$9,231,709 for the Provision for Future Supported Projects; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education will receive additional grant projects that are eligible for funding through the Provision for Future Supported Projects during FY 2008; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to receive and expend, subject to County Council approval, an FY 2008 supplemental appropriation of \$3,500,000 and effect categorical transfers of \$350,000 for the Provision for Future Supported Projects in the following categories:

	<u>Category</u>	<u>Categorical Transfer</u>	<u>Supplemental Appropriation</u>	<u>Total</u>
1	Administration		\$100,000	\$100,000
2	Mid-level Administration	\$300,000	700,000	1,000,000
3	Instructional Salaries		800,000	800,000
4	Textbooks and Instructional Supplies		1,000,000	1,000,000
5	Other Instructional Costs	(50,000)		(50,000)
6	Special Education	(200,000)		(200,000)
7	Student Personnel Services	(100,000)		(100,000)
9	Student Transportation		30,000	30,000
10	Operation of Plant and Equipment	50,000		50,000

12	Fixed Charges		620,000	620,000
14	Community Services		<u>250,000</u>	<u>250,000</u>
	Total	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$3,500,000</u>	<u>\$3,500,000</u>

and be it further

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

Resolved, That the county executive be requested to recommend approval of this resolution to the County Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 96-08 Re: **HUMAN RESOURCES MONTHLY REPORT**

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

Resolved, That the Board of Education approved the Human Resources Monthly Report, dated March 11, 2008.

Re: **MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

Mr. Larry Bowers, chief operating officer, reported that this financial report reflects the actual financial condition of the Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) as of January 31, 2008, and projections through June 30, 2008, based on program requirements and estimates made by primary and secondary account managers. At this time, revenues have a projected surplus of \$2,500,000, while expenses have a projected surplus of \$10,500,000. Staff will continue to closely monitor both revenues and expenditures.

RESOLUTION NO. 97-08 Re: **PRELIMINARY PLANS PRESENTATION—
CRESTHAVEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
MODERNIZATION**

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

WHEREAS, The architect for the proposed modernization of Cresthaven Elementary School, Sorg and Associates, P.C., has prepared a schematic design, in accordance with the educational specifications; and

WHEREAS, The Cresthaven Elementary School Facility Advisory Committee has provided input for the proposed schematic design; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve the preliminary plans report for the modernization of Cresthaven Elementary School developed by Sorg and Associates, P.C.

RESOLUTION NO. 98-08 Re: **PRELIMINARY PLANS PRESENTATION—
TAKOMA PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
ADDITION**

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

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

WHEREAS, The architect for the proposed addition to Takoma Park Elementary School, Smolen-Emr + Associates Architects, has prepared a schematic design, in accordance with the educational specifications; and

WHEREAS, The Takoma Park Elementary School Facility Advisory Committee has provided input for the proposed schematic design; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve the preliminary plans report for the addition to Takoma Park Elementary School developed by Smolen-Emr + Associates Architects.

RESOLUTION NO. 99-08 Re: **PRELIMINARY PLANS PRESENTATION—
EAST SILVER SPRING ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL ADDITION**

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Ms. Brandman seconded by Dr. Docca, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, The architect for the proposed addition to East Silver Spring Elementary School, Delmar Architects, P.A., has prepared a schematic design, in accordance with the educational specifications; and

WHEREAS, The East Silver Spring Elementary School Facility Advisory Committee has provided input for the proposed schematic design; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve the preliminary plans report for the addition to East Silver Spring Elementary School developed by Delmar Architects, P.A.

RESOLUTION NO. 100-08 Re: **FY 2009 FEES FOR SUMMER SCHOOL AND
EVENING HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS**

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

WHEREAS, The Board of Education approves tuition fees each year for Summer School and Evening High School programs; and

WHEREAS, Summer School Revenue-based Program costs continue to rise; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Summer School Revenue-based Program full fees be increased by \$10 (from \$325 to \$335 for elementary courses, and from \$290 and \$300 to \$300 and \$310 for high school core and non-core courses [including student online learning], respectively); and be it further

Resolved, That the Summer School Revenue-based Program reduced fees be increased by \$5 (from \$80 and \$115 to \$85 and \$120, respectively, depending upon family income); and be it further

Resolved, That the Summer School Minimal Fee-based Program and the Evening High School Program course fees be maintained.

During the discussion of FY 2009 Fees for Summer School and Evening High School programs, Mr. Barclay asked for examples of topics for remedial and/or enrichment courses established at the local school level. What is the nature and length of the programs? What is the criteria for the programs. What is the approval process? What is the timeframe for proposals?

Re: **PROGRAMS TO SUPPORT STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**

Dr. Weast invited the following people to the table: Mr. Stephen L. Bedford, chief school performance officer; Dr. Joey N. Jones, principal, Robert Frost Middle School; Mrs. Jennifer L. Connors, principal, Rolling Terrace Elementary School; and Ms. Patsy S. Roberson, principal, Rock View Elementary School.

In this age of accountability, school system leaders continuously examine data to identify best practices and disseminate information, in an effort to support local schools as they seek innovative ways to increase student achievement. This presentation provided the Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) the opportunity to celebrate the accomplishments of several local school programs as well as share insights and information about programs that support student achievement. The programs selected as exemplars of local innovation are Rock View Elementary School's *Closing the Gap Initiative*; Rolling Terrace Elementary School's *Students Targeted for Aggressive Remediation (STAR) Catchers Program*, focusing on Limited English Proficiency (LEP)

students; and Robert Frost Middle School's *MSA One-to-One Advisory Program*, focusing on relationship-building and the Maryland School Assessment (MSA). The decision to highlight the selected innovative programs is reflective of the M-Stat process, which focuses on MCPS data points and disseminates information on best practices that have led to the accomplishment of set targets and increases in student achievement.

Re: **DISCUSSION**

Mrs. Navarro thanked the staff for validating the primary reason why she wanted to join the Board of Education. While attending a Harvard Leadership program, she learned about the academic intervention business models. The overwhelming task is to make the model operational and go to scale. In observing one of the programs, she noted that all components were aligned in a targeted way that everyone understood.

Mr. Moskowitz was pleased to hear about different life skills and students being advocates for themselves. Students will be successful in the future because they are confident and engaged advocates. What support is provided to parents who serve as mentors? Staff replied that they have prepared an MSA guide and provide support for parents.

Mr. Barclay agreed that the language needs to be changed because children can and are performing well in their school work. Engagement makes a difference in the lives of underachievers. During the middle years students lose their love of learning. He was hopeful that the models would be replicated throughout the school system. Several people mentioned the word "trust" between the parent community and the school, student and teacher, and student with him- or herself.

Dr. Docca congratulated staff for their belief in their students and in hard work. They have believed in their students to move forward with mentoring and support, as well as respect for the parents and students.

Ms. Brandman voiced her congratulations for success, and she wanted to know what is next and what should the system be thinking about. One principal thought the programs could be replicated throughout the county. Staff should celebrate the little successes as well as the big ones.

Ms. Brandman thought the most powerful part of the presentation was that no child is invisible and every child matters and can learn.

RESOLUTION NO. 101-08

Re: **UNIVERSAL PRESCHOOL EDUCATION**

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

WHEREAS, The Task Force on Universal Preschool Education recommends the creation

of a voluntary, free universal preschool program, Preschool for All in Maryland, which will provide, by FY 2014, a standards-based high-quality early care and education to all 4-year-olds in Maryland whose parents request these services; and

WHEREAS, The Montgomery County Public Schools has an abiding interest in the well-being and academic achievement of all of the county's youngest children, as evidenced by the *Early Success Performance Plan*; and

WHEREAS, The Montgomery County Board of Education is a significant partner in Montgomery County's Early Childhood Initiative, which ensures that family-focused programs and services for young children are neighborhood-based; effective; responsive to cultural diversity; make a measurable, positive difference in children's well-being; and help prepare them for school; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education has a demonstrated record of collaboration and cooperation with community stakeholders, including parents, teachers, principals, caregivers, and community-based multicultural groups that serve all preschool-age children, and especially children who are impacted by poverty, mobility, and limited English proficiency; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education identifies a need to begin local discussions and planning with all vested stakeholders for the inception of a universal preschool system, with consideration of implementation issues such as identifying the numbers of children currently served in all public and nonpublic preschool programs; gathering demographic and geographic information demonstrating the need for such universal preschool services in communities across the county; gathering input from parents and other stakeholders related to their needs, preferences, and program offerings; determining local costs; and the process to be used to identify Montgomery County providers of high-quality programs; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education is fully committed to collaboration with Montgomery County early childhood stakeholders to develop a countywide universal preschool implementation plan.

Re: **KENNEDY CLUSTER PROJECT**

The Kennedy Cluster Project is a joint effort between the Montgomery County Public Schools and the Montgomery County government to create a service delivery model for African American students that will accelerate the progress already under way to significantly improve academic achievement for these students. A project team is working collaboratively to identify the services necessary to address the root causes and barriers that inhibit or discourage African American students from achieving their full academic potential. In addition to identifying changes and services that may be needed within the schools, the project team is working to identify and provide recommendations to the county

government regarding the coordinated services needed to complement educational services and eliminate communication barriers between and among the school system and county departments and agencies.

Re: **DISCUSSION**

Ms. Navarro echoes that this needs to be done carefully since collaboration takes a great deal of time and effort on everyone's part. She commended the group for taking the time to get it right for the foundation of the project. It is important to catalog the services of different agencies available to residents within the cluster and align the services. Furthermore, it is critical to understand the goal with well-defined parameters.

Mr. Barclay was pleased with the information collected on the Kennedy Cluster, and said he believes that this will lay a foundation for change and paradigm of governing in the county. Understanding the environment that we are working in will help serve the school system and county. This data can also be used by the school system to help support the existing resources and expand services where needed.

Dr. Docca stated that this is not new to her since she was there for nine years. The community has been bypassed because it does not look as though it has the dire needs reported by staff. Furthermore, there are a lot of households lead by a single person. Also, recreation is a very important factor.

Ms Brandman noted that is a lot of hope for what can be accomplished through the dedication of time and energy into this cluster project. Can the county come up with a memo of understanding to satisfy the legal ramifications? Dr. Weast thought that the project would result in recommendations, and attorneys will be needed to address any legal issues.

Ms. Brandman noted that the discussion with the Collaboration Council focused on after-school programs driven by student needs. She wanted to know, of all the things needed, what is the top priority? Staff replied that the project team has not talked about setting priorities.

RESOLUTION NO. 102-08

Re: **CLOSED SESSION RESOLUTION**

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

WHEREAS, The Board of Education of Montgomery County is authorized by the *Education Article* and *State Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland* 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 closed session

on Tuesday, April 8, 2008, in Room 120 of the Carver Educational Services Center to meet from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. to discuss personnel matters, as permitted under Section 10-508(a)(1) of the *State Government Article*; consult with counsel to obtain legal advice, as permitted by Section 10-508(a)(7) of the *State Government Article*; review and adjudicate appeals in its quasi-judicial capacity; and discuss matters of an executive function outside the purview of the Open Meetings Act (Section 10-503(a) of the *State Government Article*); and be it further

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

RESOLUTION NO. 103-08 Re: **REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION**

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

On February 25, 2008, by unanimous vote of members present, the Board of Education voted to conduct a closed session as permitted under the *Education Article* § 4-107 and *State Government Article* § 10-501, *et seq.*, of the *Annotated Code of Maryland*.

The Montgomery County Board of Education met in closed session on February 25, 2008, from 5:30 to 6:15 p.m. in Room 120 of the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, and

1. Reviewed and considered the following appeals, with a subsequent vote in open session in its quasi-judicial capacity outside the purview of the Open Meetings Act (Section 10-503(a) of the *State Government Article*): T-2008-1 and 2008-4.
2. As permitted under Section 10-508(a)(7) of the *State Government Article*, received legal advice on the disclosure of closed-session minutes to the Office of Legislative Oversight.

In attendance at the closed session were Steve Abrams, Aggie Alvez, Christopher Barclay, Steve Bedford, Larry Bowers, Shirley Brandman, Patrick Clancy, Sharon Cox, Judy Docca, Brian Edwards, Roland Ikheloa, Suzann King, Kristen Koger, Frieda Lacey, Jody Leleck, Susan Marks, Ben Moskowitz, Nancy Navarro, Pat O'Neill, Glenda Rose, Laura Steinberg, and Jerry Weast.

RESOLUTION NO. 104-08 Re: **MINUTES**

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

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve the minutes from September 11 and 24,

and October 9, 22, and 24, 2007.

RESOLUTION NO. 105-08 Re: APPEALS

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

WHEREAS, The Board of Education has met in closed session and deliberated on appeals brought before its members acting in its quasi-judicial capacity under Section 10-503(a) of the *State Government Article*; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education hereby decide the following appeals reflective of the Board members' votes in closed session, the disposition of which will be recorded in the minutes of today's meeting:

<u>Appeal Number</u>	<u>Type</u>
2008-2	Student Expulsion
2008-5	Student Expulsion

Re: BOARD COMMITTEE UPDATES

Ms. Brandman reported that the Special Education Ad Hoc Committee met and reviewed

1. the data around special education suspensions,
2. procedural steps related to procedures,
3. update on transition for learning center students,
4. evaluation from the Department of Shared Accountability to ensure that special education students are succeeding, and
5. the report from the Special Education Continuous Improvement Team Advisory Committee

Re: NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

Re: ITEMS OF INFORMATION

The following items were available:

1. Legal Fees Report
2. Construction Progress Report

RESOLUTION NO. 106-08 Re: ADJOURNMENT

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Ms. Brandman seconded by Dr. Docca, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education adjourn its meeting of March 11, 2008, at 5:05 p.m.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

JDW:gr

Resolution	Abrams	Barclay	Brandman	Cox	Docca	Moskowitz	Navarro	O'Neill
Tentative Approval of Policy EEA, Student Transportation	O	A	A	A	A	A	A	O
Final Action on Policy HDD	O	A	A	A	A	A	A	O
Universal Preschool Education	O	A	A	O	A	A	A	O

A = affirmative; N = negative; O = absent; AB = abstain

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