Office of the Superintendent of Schools MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS Rockville, Maryland

April 17, 2012

MEMORANDUM

To:	Members of the Board of Education
From:	Joshua P. Starr, Superintendent of Schools
Subject:	Award of Contract—Poolesville High School Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning Equipment Replacement, Phase V

WHEREAS, The following sealed bids were received on March 16, 2012, for the Poolesville High School Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning equipment replacement, Phase V project:

Bidder	Amount
Shapiro & Duncan, Inc.	\$1,023,000
M & M Welding and Fabricators, Inc.	1,206,000
Welch and Rushe, Inc.	1,275,000

and

WHEREAS, The low bidder, Shapiro & Duncan, Inc., has asked to withdraw its bid due to an error; and

WHEREAS, State procurement statutes give vendors the right to withdraw bids if sufficient evidence is provided to demonstrate that a pricing error was made that would cause an unfair economic burden; and

WHEREAS, The low bidder has provided documentation to support an error in its bid; and

WHEREAS, The goal for Maryland Department of Transportation-certified Minority Business Enterprise participation established for this project was 10 percent; and

WHEREAS, The second low bidder, M & M Welding and Fabricators, Inc., is a Maryland Department of Transportation-certified minority firm and has submitted 10 percent womenowned Maryland Department of Transportation-certified Minority Business Enterprise participation; and Members of the Board of Education

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WHEREAS, M & M Welding and Fabricators, Inc. has completed similar work successfully for Montgomery County Public Schools; now therefore be it

<u>Resolved</u>, That a \$1,206,000 contract be awarded to M & M Welding and Fabricators, Inc. for the Poolesville High School Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning equipment replacement, Phase V project, in accordance with drawings and specifications prepared by Building Dynamics, LLC.

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