The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in regular session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Monday, November 24, 1986, at 8:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL    Present:  Dr. James E. Cronin, President in the Chair
               Mrs. Sharon DiFonzo
               Mr. Blair G. Ewing
               Dr. Jeremiah Floyd
               Mrs. Marilyn J. Praisner
               Dr. Robert E. Shoenberg
               Mrs. Mary Margaret Slye*
               Mr. Eric Steinberg

Absent:    None

Others Present:  Dr. Harry Pitt, Deputy Superintendent
                 Acting in the Absence of the Superintendent
                 Mr. Thomas S. Fess, Parliamentarian
                 Mr. Bruce A. Goldensohn, Board Member-elect

Re: ANNOUNCEMENT

Dr. Cronin announced that Dr. Cody was in South Korea visiting schools at the request of their government.

RESOLUTION NO. 625-86    Re: TABLING OF PROPOSED RESOLUTION ON AMENDED BYLAWS OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL EDUCATION

On motion of Mrs. Praisner seconded by Mrs. DiFonzo, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education table the proposed resolution on amended bylaws of the Montgomery County Advisory Council for Vocational-technical Education.

RESOLUTION NO. 626-86    Re: PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS OVER $25,000

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Dr. Floyd, the following resolution was adopted with Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, Mr. Ewing, Dr. Floyd, Dr. Shoenberg, and (Mr. Steinberg) voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Praisner abstaining:

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

WHEREAS, Bid No. 30-87, Security System, needs to be rebid after including various options in order to obtain the best system and price for MCPS; now therefore be it
RESOLVED, That Bid No. 30-87 be rejected; and be it further

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

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<th>BID</th>
<th>NAME OF VENDOR(S)</th>
<th>DOLLAR VALUE OF CONTRACTS</th>
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<tr>
<td>86-20</td>
<td>On-site Service for Microcomputer Maintenance Computech International, Inc.</td>
<td>$31,351</td>
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<td>33-87</td>
<td>Frozen Potatoes</td>
<td>$173,000</td>
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GRAND TOTAL $204,351

RESOLUTION NO. 627-86 Re: WALTER JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL - CONCRETE SIDEWALK PAVING (AREA 2)

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Praisner seconded by Mrs. DiFonzo, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Sealed bids were received on November 13, 1986, for concrete sidewalk paving at Walter Johnson High School, as indicated below:

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<th>BIDDER</th>
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<tr>
<td>1. Darwin Construction Company</td>
<td>$31,900</td>
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<td>2. Victor Enterprises, Inc.</td>
<td>54,200</td>
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<td>3. Pitos Construction Co., Inc.</td>
<td>57,000</td>
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and

WHEREAS, Darwin Construction Company has completed similar work in other jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, Sufficient funds reside for project award; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That a contract for $31,900 be awarded to Darwin Construction Company for concrete sidewalk paving at Walter Johnson High School in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by the Department of School Facilities.

RESOLUTION NO. 628-86 Re: WALTER JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL - CANOPY SOFFIT MODIFICATIONS

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Praisner seconded by Mrs. DiFonzo, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:
WHEREAS, Sealed bids were received on November 13, 1986, for canopy soffit modifications at Walter Johnson High School, as indicated below:

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<td>1. Darwin Construction Co., Inc.</td>
<td>$39,100</td>
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<td>2. Construction - Commercial, Inc.</td>
<td>52,280</td>
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and

WHEREAS, The low bid considerably exceeds the staff estimate and available funding; and

WHEREAS, Alternatives need to be further explored to reduce cost to acceptable limits; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the bid for canopy soffit modifications at Walter Johnson High School be rejected and that the project be rebid as soon as possible utilizing an alternative design.

RESOLUTION NO. 629-86  Re: BANNOCKBURN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - MODERNIZATION AND ADDITION REBID (AREA 2)

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Praisner seconded by Mrs. DiFonzo, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Sealed bids were received on November 13, 1986, for modernization and addition to Bannockburn Elementary School, as indicated below:

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<td>1. The Gassman Corp.</td>
<td>$2,928,000</td>
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<td>2. Dustin Construction, Inc.</td>
<td>2,948,000</td>
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<td>3. Northwood Contractors, Inc.</td>
<td>2,949,000</td>
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and

WHEREAS, The low bidder, The Gassman Corp., is currently constructing the modernization and addition to Rosemary Hills Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, Additional funds in the amount of $336,265 are required for project award; and

WHEREAS, The completion date specified for this project is June, 1988, and a delay of the starting date to obtain supplemental funds will not adversely affect the contractor's ability to meet this completion date; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That a contract be awarded to The Gassman Corp. in the
amount of $2,928,000 for modernization and addition to Bannockburn Elementary School in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by William H. Doggett, architect, contingent upon the County Council's approval of a $336,265 FY 1986 Capital Budget emergency supplemental appropriation for this project; and be it further

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

RESOLUTION NO. 630-86  Re:  FARQUHAR MIDDLE SCHOOL - CHILLER FOR AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEM AND OTHER AIR CONDITIONING WORK (AREA 1)

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Praisner seconded by Mrs. DiFonzo, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Sealed bids were received on November 19, 1986, for air-conditioning system chiller and other related air-conditioning work at Farquhar Middle School, as indicated below:

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<th>BIDDER</th>
<th>BASE BID</th>
<th>*ADD ALTERNATE 1</th>
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<td>1. Charles W. Lonas and Sons,Inc.</td>
<td>$123,700</td>
<td>$23,000</td>
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<td>2. C. V. Carlson Co., Inc.</td>
<td>139,390</td>
<td>17,700</td>
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<td>3. Arey, Incorporated</td>
<td>173,170</td>
<td>19,938</td>
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*Air-conditioning of the administrative area

and

WHEREAS, The low bidder, Charles W. Lonas and Sons, Inc., has performed similar projects satisfactorily for MCPS; and

WHEREAS, Proposals represent excellent bid activity, and acceptance of the base bid and Add Alternate 1 is recommended; and

WHEREAS, Sufficient funds reside for project award; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That a contract for $146,700 be awarded to Charles W. Lonas and Sons, Inc., for the base bid and Add Alternate 1, for air-conditioning system chiller and other related air-conditioning work at Farquhar Middle School in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by Morton Wood, Jr., consulting engineer.

RESOLUTION NO. 631-86  Re:  WAYSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - ROOF AND MANSARD MODIFICATIONS (AREA 2)

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Praisner seconded by Mrs. DiFonzo, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:
WHEREAS, Sealed bids were received on November 13, 1986, for roofing and mansard modifications to Wayside Elementary School, as indicated below:

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<tr>
<td>MRC Roofing and Construction, Inc.</td>
<td>$38,301</td>
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<tr>
<td>J. E. Wood &amp; Sons Co., Inc.</td>
<td>*60,213</td>
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<td>Orndorff &amp; Spaid, Inc.</td>
<td>78,000</td>
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*Recommended Award

and

WHEREAS, MCR Roofing and Construction, Inc., by letter dated November 14, 1986, has withdrawn its bid; and

WHEREAS, The low bid is within staff estimate, and J. E. Wood & Sons Co., Inc., has successfully performed similar projects for MCPS; and

WHEREAS, Funds are available for contract award; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That a contract be awarded to J. E. Wood & Sons Co., Inc., for $60,213 for roofing and mansard modifications to Wayside Elementary School in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by the Department of School Facilities.

RESOLUTION NO. 632-86  Re: WORKS OF ART FOR JONES LANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND SPRINGBROOK HIGH SCHOOL

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Praisner seconded by Mrs. DiFonzo, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Authorization for the selection of artists to receive commissions to produce works of art is delineated in Article V, Section 1, Chapter 8, "Buildings," of the MONTGOMERY COUNTY CODE; and

WHEREAS, Staff has employed selection procedures submitted by the superintendent to the Board of Education on February 10, 1984; and

WHEREAS, The Montgomery County Arts Council has participated in the selection process as required by law; and

WHEREAS, Funds have been appropriated for this purpose in the FY 1986 and FY 1987 Capital Improvements Program; and

WHEREAS, The law also requires County Council approval before the Board of Education can enter into contracts with said artists; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education enter into contractual agreements, as indicated, subject to County Council approval:

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<th>ARTIST</th>
<th>WORK</th>
<th>COMMISSION</th>
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and be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Council be requested to expeditiously approve the above commissions to the indicated artists.

RESOLUTION NO. 633-86  Re:  CABLE TV TESTING EQUIPMENT

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Praisner seconded by Mrs. DiFonzo, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Sealed bids were received on October 15, 1986, to provide equipment to test the strength and quality of the signals on the new broadband coaxial school TV network and the signals on existing school TV antenna systems, as indicated below:

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<th>BIDDER</th>
<th>BASE BID</th>
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<td>1. B &amp; L Services, Inc.</td>
<td>$18,195.30</td>
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<td>Rockville, Maryland</td>
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<td>2. National Satellite Antenna Systems</td>
<td>20,961.33</td>
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<td>Minneapolis, Minnesota</td>
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and

WHEREAS, The low bidder B & L Services, Inc., submitted the lowest bid for the equipment specified and has satisfactorily completed similar work for MCPS previously; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That a contract for $18,195.30 be awarded to B & L Services, Inc., to provide equipment for testing the installation of cable TV in accordance with the specifications prepared by Von Otto and Bilecky, Inc.

Re:  INSPECTION DATES FOR CLOPPER MILL AND TWINBROOK ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Mrs. DiFonzo and Mrs. Praisner will inspect the schools. The dates and times are to be determined by them and School Facilities.

RESOLUTION NO. 634-86  Re:  SUBMISSION OF AN FY 1987 GRANT PROPOSAL FOR THE MAGNET SCHOOLS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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

RESOLVED, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to submit
an FY 1987 grant proposal for $676,191 to the U.S. Department of Education under Title VII of the Education for Economic Security Act for the Magnet Schools Assistance Program; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the county executive and the County Council.

Re: BOARD/PRESS/ VISITOR CONFERENCE

The following individuals appeared before the Board:

1. Bill Beane, MCCPTA and Up-county Advisory Board
2. Cathy Hobbs
3. Joe Monte, MCFTU

Re: QUINCE ORCHARD HIGH SCHOOL - CREDIT CHANGE ORDER TO DELETE STADIUM LIGHTING

Dr. Pitt withdrew the proposed resolution on the change order. The Board agreed that discussions should be held with the County Council and county executive on stadium lighting for high schools. During the discussion, Mr. Steinberg stated for the record that he did not feel that the Board of Education should support funding for stadium lighting for new schools. He said it was not fair to other schools that were struggling to raise money for lighting.

Re: REPORT OF LOCAL ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Mr. James Auerbach, chairman, reported that a summary of the Council's meetings for the last school year had already been submitted to the Board. He recalled that last year when they had presented their annual report a special concern of the Council was to improve articulation between Montgomery College and MCPS. The Council commended the Board for the support it had given to the initial articulation agreements between the College and MCPS. At that time they looked forward to additional articulation agreements between the two institutions. Mr. Auerbach said he was pleased to acknowledge new articulation agreements in typing and shorthand. He called attention to an article from the October/November AACLC JOURNAL entitled "College Bound or Bust: Ten Principles for Articulation."

Mr. Auerbach stated that the Council was concerned about the opening of a second career center. They strongly believed that an up-county career center would serve the needs of MCPS students as well as the needs of business and labor in Montgomery County. A second career center would also assist in the development of 2+2 tech-prep programs and in strengthening articulation between MCPS and the College. It would insure a smooth transition for students combining technological courses with advanced academic and business programs at postsecondary institutions. He hoped that the Board would give full support to the opening of an up-county career center as quickly as possible. Another area of concern for the Council was the public perception of
vocational-technical education. The Council was participating in the planning of the second awards ceremony by MCPS to honor outstanding students and staff from vocational programs in the public schools. At the first awards ceremony, 27 businesses, unions and community organizations contributed plaques, cash award and other expressions of their appreciation. This year MCPS would be holding the ceremony at a dinner meeting, and the Council was recommending that Montgomery College establish a similar program for students from the technical education areas. Such ceremonies not only recognize deserving students and staff but also help to change public perceptions about the value and importance of technical education.

Mr. Auerbach reported that the Council's concern with the public's perception of technical education had led to their involvement in a number of other activities in addition to the awards ceremony. They were working on the development of a poster for use on Ride-on buses to educate the public about the value of technical education. They were planning to meet with PTAs and other groups to encourage enrollment in vocational-technical programs. They continued to offer their assistance to the college and the public schools in the development of vocational-technical programs such as the 2+2 tech-prep program. They wanted to help to change the perception of technical education as education for "someone else's kids." This year they expected to spend time examining the craft areas. This would assist the Council in carrying out its mandate under Title 21 of the EDUCATION ARTICLE. The Council also recommended the establishment of youth organization chapters corresponding to the vocational programs offered by MCPS.

Mr. Auerbach expressed the Council's appreciation for the work done by Dr. Frank Carricato and Don Wilson and looked forward to working with Dr. Ted Rybka, the new director for career and vocational education.

Dr. Shoenberg reported that he had attended the awards ceremony last year, and he agreed it was a good way of publicizing the program. He said that they had been facing the issues of a voc-tech building up-county and the image of voc-tech programs in the county. He continued to be concerned about the number of students who would be likely to enroll in a new program up-county. Secondly, he stated that they had articulation agreements with the College in shorthand and typing, yet the secretary taking oral dictation was hard to find these days. More and more secretaries were using dictaphones and word processing. He asked about their programs in this area and whether the programs were keeping pace with technology and the changing work world.

Mr. Auerbach thought that the need for the up-county center and the public's perception of voc-tech would be aided through education of the public including the recent articles in the JOURNAL. He noted that this was a county with exemplary vocational-technical educational programs. In his visits around the country, he had seen programs that were dumping grounds, but Montgomery County had model programs and had to make the public aware of these programs. He
thought that as the public became aware of the quality of the programs offered, they would see an enrollment increase at Edison. Part of the problem with Edison was its distance from the up-county and transportation.

Dr. Shoenberg said he was perfectly prepared to agree to some parallel program in the northern part of the county, but the question was whether the parallel program was the best idea or whether they needed some other model. Mr. Auerbach did not think that they were looking at a parallel program. For example, the up-county center would have the 2+2 program which was new and different. He did not think they would have a problem filling that center and the Edison Center once they educated the public. He felt that they had outstanding programs that deserved the support of the community. In regard to typing and shorthand, Mr. Auerbach agreed that the school system should always be at the cutting edge of technology. He worked with some 200 clerical staff, and he assured the Board that there was a need for secretarial staff. He explained that they tended to think in terms of telecommunications rather than air-conditioning repair, but they did need to offer these programs and educate people about the value of a blue collar program.

*Mrs. Slye joined the meeting at this point.

Mrs. Praisner asked about plans to meet with PTAs. Mr. Auerbach replied that they had just started talking about this. They would like to have a video explaining the program and talk with parents about the value of a vocational-technical education. They had council members who had served for six years and had volunteered to go to the PTAs. Mrs. Praisner suggested that they get in touch with Mrs. Vicki Rafel, president of MCCPTA so that these opportunities would be optimized.

Dr. Cronin thanked Mr. Auerbach for the report. He suggested that in the near future the Board would like to hear from Dr. Rybka about the direction he saw for vocational education in the county.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING ON STRATEGY FOR MINORITY STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT (FAILED)

The following motion failed of adoption with Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Slye, and (Mr. Steinberg) voting in the affirmative; Dr. Floyd voting in the negative; Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, Mrs. Praisner, and Dr. Shoenberg abstaining:

WHEREAS, The Board of Education adopted in 1983 five priorities, the second of which committed the Board and the school system to substantial and continuing improvements in minority achievement; and

WHEREAS, Improvement has occurred for most minority students on standardized tests over the past three years; and

WHEREAS, Despite these gains, minority student test scores, and in particular scores for Black and Hispanic students, remain below those of white students, leaving the gap between those scores and the
WHEREAS, Many actions have been taken which have been designed to improve minority student achievement, many of which have been excellent in themselves and good examples for others to emulate; and

WHEREAS, There is a need to mount an even more intensive effort to assure that the goal the Board set can be achieved within a reasonable time frame for all minority students; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education directs the superintendent of schools to develop for the Board's consideration and approval a strategy or set of strategies for the improvement of minority student achievement which are system-wide, systematic, comprehensive, and are to be applied to each school; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the superintendent develop in conjunction with these strategies a method for assessing how well they are working to bring about the result desired; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the superintendent include within the proposals a formal mechanism for documenting, accumulating, and then disseminating effective, proven techniques for improving minority student achievement; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the superintendent develop these proposals by mid-January, 1987 for consideration by the Board by the end of January, in conjunction with the Board's review and adoption of the FY 1988 annual budget, so that any costs associated with the proposals can be considered in a timely way; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Advisory Committee on Minority Student Education be asked to advise the superintendent and the Board on this matter in January, after the superintendent's proposals are available; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board also invite comments on the superintendent's proposals to the Board from the general public, prior to the Board's decision on this matter.

Re: FY 1988-93 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM (CIP)

Mrs. Praisner moved and Dr. Shoenberg seconded the following:

WHEREAS, In accordance with the laws of the state of Maryland and Montgomery County, the superintendent of schools has prepared a recommended FY 1988 Capital Budget request and FY 1989-93 Capital Improvements Program; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education conducted public hearings on November 17, 18, and 19, 1986, on these recommendations; and

WHEREAS, On November 24, the superintendent amended the FY 1988 CIP
as follows:

1. Woodlin ES addition -- FY 1988 planning and FY 1989 construction
2. Route 29 ES (new school) -- FY 1991 planning and FY 1992 construction
3. Olney Area ES (new school) -- FY 1988 planning and FY 1990 construction
4. Sherwood HS modernization -- FY 1988 feasibility study, FY 1989 planning, and FY 1990 construction
5. Cresthaven ES addition -- FY 1988 planning and FY 1989 construction
6. Garrett Park ES addition -- FY 1990 planning and construction
7. Kensington-Parkwood ES addition -- FY 1990 planning and construction
8. Monocacy ES modernization -- FY 1988 planning and FY 1989 construction

now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approve a FY 1988 Capital Budget request totaling $83,385,000 which includes a request to the state of $64,325,000 for reimbursement for state-eligible projects previously forward-funded by the county as shown on the summary and as amended; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approve a FY 1987 Capital Budget supplemental appropriation request of $2,843,000 as shown on the summary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approve the priority list for state-eligible projects in FY 1988 and the Five-year Capital Improvements Program (FY 1989-FY 1993) as amended.

RESOLUTION NO. 635-86  Re: CAPITAL BUDGET - DAMASCUS CLUSTER

On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Mrs. Praisner, the following resolution was adopted with Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Praisner, Dr. Shoenberg, Mrs. Slye, and (Mr. Steinberg) voting in the affirmative; Dr. Floyd abstaining:

RESOLVED, That the capital budget be amended to construct six elementary classrooms in the Damascus High School cluster to be available September 1991.

Re: BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

1. Mr. Ewing suggested that the Board add the replacement of the sound systems in the Board room and the auditorium to the capital budget for next year.

2. Dr. Floyd read the following into the record:
"One week from tonight, the four citizens of Montgomery County elected on November 4 will be sworn into office here, and the task of charting the course for this school system will begin anew. Since this is my last official Board meeting and since I will no longer be a member of that sailing crew after December 1, I wish to pause and reflect on several matters in passing. "First, let me express my sincere appreciation to Superintendent Cody, to Dr. Pitt, deputy superintendent, and all the other administrators who provide leadership for this school system from this building, the area offices and the 150 or so other locations throughout this county. In my professional work, I often conduct seminars and do direct consultation with local school boards on 'Board-administrator relationships.' My association with MCPS administrators, especially during the past two years, has enabled me to see the practical meanings of educational policy and administration loom much clearer on my personal horizon. I, and perhaps you as well, have had one lesson reinforce that which too often is either forgotten or ignored. And, that is: in the performance of Board member and administrative duties to govern and administer a public school system, the functions operate best when they complement each other -- not when they supplant each other. So, I thank you all for your professionalism, cordiality, and cooperation.

"I also wish to extend my appreciation to the Board's staff -- Tom, Mary Lou, David, Lillian, Ann and Midge. Each of you has provided me with your valuable assistance, suggestions, loyalty and support. I thank you and will cherish all that you've done to make my way easier in the service that I have been called to render.

"To you my colleagues on the Board, as you continue to serve -- I implore each of you to think even more seriously than before about what it is that you are doing and to what ends. As you chart the course and set the pace for the enhancement of that symbiotic relationship of 'learning and liberty' for all our children and youth, I urge you to remember James Russell Lowell's words that 'new occasions teach new duties; time make ancient good uncouth....' "I urge that you also always be aware of the all consuming impact of John Dewey's words that 'education is a social process...education is growth...education is not a preparation for life; education is life itself.' The parents of the students from privileged backgrounds that are among us will pressure you to see that the full meaning of these words applies to their children. But, all too often another more protracted set of meanings gets designated for those less fortunate that are among us. Yet, if all in our society are to grow and be prepared to meet the exigencies of a modern world, these less fortunate students who frequently are from racial minority, language minority and handicapped groups also need and must have advocates. Thus, you have an added duty to see that they are not forgotten.

"Finally, I note for the record that my two years of service with you have been busy, stimulating and personally rewarding. You all have heard me refer to the DISCOVERY MAGAZINE story on outer space and why we go there, so I won't repeat it here. However, I do take the liberty of paraphrasing the fundamental concepts from that story. For, indeed, this moment is indeed a moment poised between Apocalypse and Utopia. And, the observation made in the outer space story, the
future is still up for grabs. It is in that future that our stewardship of this school system from 1984-1986 will be judged. I hope that it will be said, of those of us who served during the brief time allotted in this period, that we ran as fast and reached as high as we could for the education of all our children."

RESOLUTION NO. 636-86  Re:  EXECUTIVE SESSION – DECEMBER 9, 1986

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. DiFonzo seconded by Mrs. Praisner, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, The Board of Education of Montgomery County is authorized by Section 10-508, State Government Article of the ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND to conduct certain of its meetings in executive closed session; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of Montgomery County hereby conduct its meeting in executive closed session beginning on December 9, 1986, at 9 a.m. to discuss, consider, deliberate, and/or otherwise decide the employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion, compensation, discipline, removal, or resignation of employees, appointees, or officials over whom it has jurisdiction, or any other personnel matter affecting one or more particular individuals and to comply with a specific constitutional, statutory or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter as permitted under the State Government Article, Section 10-508; and that such meeting shall continue in executive closed session until the completion of business; and be it further

RESOLVED, That such meeting continue in executive closed session at noon to discuss the matters listed above as permitted under Article 76A, Section 11(a) and that such meeting shall continue in executive closed session until the completion of business.

RESOLUTION NO. 637-86  Re:  MINUTES OF OCTOBER 27, 1986

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Steinberg seconded by Dr. Shoenberg, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, That the minutes of October 27, 1986, be approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 638-86  Re:  MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 6, 1986

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. DiFonzo seconded by Mrs. Slye, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, That the minutes of November 6, 1986, be approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 639-86  Re:  BOE APPEAL NO. 86-20
On motion of Dr. Floyd seconded by Mrs. Praisner, the following resolution was adopted with Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, Mr. Ewing, Dr. Floyd, Mrs. Praisner, Dr. Shoenberg, and (Mr. Steinberg) voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Slye abstaining:

WHEREAS, In the matter of BOE Appeal No. 1986-20, a request for reconsideration of the Board's October 14, 1986, Decision and Order in regard to a student transfer request, has been made; and

WHEREAS, The Board gave due consideration in executive session to the appellant's request, and based on that reconsideration; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education deny the request thereby reaffirming the superintendent's original decision.

Re: NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Ewing reported that the research and evaluation committee had met several times, most recently on November 13. It was agreed that they would draft a report, and he would be circulating that shortly. There were probably some items that would be coming up under new business in the near future.

Re: ITEM OF INFORMATION

Board members received an item of information on the telephone procurement system.

RESOLUTION NO. 640-86 Re: ADJOURNMENT - SINE DIE

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

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education adjourn its meeting at 10:55 p.m., SINE DIE.

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PRESIDENT
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SECRETARY

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