The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in regular session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Tuesday, November 10, 1987, at 11 a.m.

ROLL CALL  Present:  Mrs. Marilyn J. Praisner, President in the Chair  
Dr. James E. Cronin  
Mrs. Sharon DiFonzo  
Mr. Blair G. Ewing  
Mr. Bruce A. Goldensohn*  
Mr. Andrew Herscowitz  
Dr. Robert E. Shoenberg  

Absent:  Mrs. Mary Margaret Slye  

Others Present:  Dr. Harry Pitt, Superintendent of Schools  
Dr. Paul L. Vance, Deputy Superintendent  
Mr. Thomas S. Fess, Parliamentarian  

Re: ANNOUNCEMENT

Mrs. Praisner announced that Mrs. Slye was ill but would try to join the Board for part of the meeting. Mr. Goldensohn would be joining the Board later in the day.

RESOLUTION NO. 518-87  Re: BOARD AGENDA - NOVEMBER 10, 1987

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

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approve its agenda for November 10, 1987, with the addition of a resolution on the Commission on Excellence in Teaching.

Re: ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mrs. Praisner introduced Miss Lynne McDonald, a student at Seneca Valley High School, who would be following Mrs. Praisner this week as part of her seminar on leadership in local government. Mrs. Praisner also reported that Board members had had an opportunity to visit Gaithersburg Elementary School this morning as part of that school's "read-aloud" program. She thanked the PTA and principal for inviting the Board to participate.

RESOLUTION NO. 519-87  Re: AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK, NOVEMBER 15-21, 1987

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Dr. Cronin, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:
WHEREAS, The American Legion, the National Congress of Parents and Teachers, the National Education Association and the National School Boards Association are sponsoring the observance of American Education Week, November 15-21, 1987; and

WHEREAS, This 66th observance has the theme of "We the People: Building Schools Together," to both commemorate this annual event and the 200th celebration of the adoption of the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, Various Montgomery County public schools have planned activities for students, parents, staff and other citizens to emphasize the link between our liberties and our commitment to free and universal education for all children; and

WHEREAS, The American educational system has been the keystone in enabling our nation to achieve its prominence in the world community; and

WHEREAS, Quality education today is more important than at any time in the history of the United States; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the superintendent of schools and the Board of Education declare November 15-21, 1987, as American Education Week in the Montgomery County Public Schools, and urge all students, parents, citizens and employees to participate in this annual observance of a great American institution -- public education.

Re: BOARD/PRESS/VISITOR CONFERENCE

Mr. Tom Powers and Mr. John Green of the Montgomery County Council of Supporting Services Employees appeared before the Board of Education.

RESOLUTION NO. 520-87 Re: PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS OVER $25,000

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

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

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

RFP 88-08
Maintenance Service on Microscopes and Balances
AWARDEE
Alpha and Omega Service $ 27,615

21-88
Trash Compactor
AWARDEE
Bennett Equipment Services $ 26,024
27-88 Processed Meats
AWARDEES
Carroll County Foods $ 5,800
Manassas Ice & Fuel Co., Inc. T/A
   Manassas Frozen Foods 16,002
   Mazo-Lerch Co., Inc. 9,100
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TOTAL $ 30,902

28-88 Frozen Potatoes
AWARDEE
Interstate Food Processing $184,691

29-88 Frozen Food
AWARDEES
Atlantic Food Services, Inc. $ 30,313
Bagel Master, Inc. 1,560
Carroll County Foods 14,872
Continental Smelkinson 78,635
Frederick Produce Co. 1,685
Mazo-Lerch Co., Inc. 3,195
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TOTAL $130,260

37-88 Copying Machines
AWARDEES
Eastman Kodak Co. $ 56,807
Xerox Corp. 24,010
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TOTAL $ 80,817

38-88 Hardware, Closers, and Exit Devices
AWARDEES
Capitol Lock & Hardware Warehouse, Inc. $ 119*
Door Closers Service Co. 29,482*
Safemasters Co., Inc. 15,155
Taylor Security & Lock Co., Inc. 19,168
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TOTAL $ 63,924

TOTAL CONTRACTS OVER $25,000 $544,233

*Asterisk denotes MFD vendors

RESOLUTION NO. 521-87 Re: A MOTION TO POSTPONE THE PROPOSED
RESOLUTION ON AN FY 1988 EMERGENCY
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

On motion of Dr. Shoenberg seconded by Dr. Cronin, the following
resolution was adopted with Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, Mr. Ewing, and
Dr. Shoenberg voting in the affirmative; (Mr. Herscowitz) and Mrs.
Praisner abstaining:
RESOLVED, That the proposed resolution on an FY 1988 Emergency Supplemental Appropriation be postponed until the afternoon.

RESOLUTION NO. 522-87 Re: RITCHIE PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - PARTIAL REROOFING (AREA 3)

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

WHEREAS, The following sealed bids were received on October 29, 1987, for partially reroofing Ritchie Park Elementary School:

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<td>J. E. Wood and Sons, Co., Inc.</td>
<td>$89,130</td>
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<td>Orndorff &amp; Spaid, Inc.</td>
<td>101,369</td>
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<td>Raintree Industries, Inc.</td>
<td>127,420</td>
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and

WHEREAS, The low bidder, J. E. Wood & Sons Co., Inc., has performed similar projects satisfactorily for MCPS; and

WHEREAS, The low bid is within staff estimate, and sufficient funds are available in Account 999-42 to effect award; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That a contract for $89,130 be awarded to J. E. Wood & Sons Co., Inc., for partially reroofing Ritchie Park Elementary School in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by the Department of School Facilities.

RESOLUTION NO. 523-87 Re: AMENDMENT TO FY 1988-93 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS - CABIN JOHN AND ROCKINGHORSE ROAD CENTERS

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

WHEREAS, Funds were appropriated in the FY 1988-93 Capital Budget to modify space at the former Cabin John Junior High School as a holding school and administrative offices for the Head Start and Chapter I programs; and

WHEREAS, Further study indicates that we can relocate Head Start and Chapter I offices to adequate space as well as consolidate the entire administrative offices of the Department of Interagency, Alternative, and Supplementary Programs at the more centrally located Rockinghorse Road Center; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the County Council be requested to amend the FY 1988 Capital Improvements Program Closure/Consolidation Improvements Project (PDF 2119) by deleting the reference to Cabin John and
substituting Rockinghorse Road as the facility to be converted for administrative use; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the county executive be requested to recommend that the County Council approve this amendment to the Capital Improvements Program.

Re: INSPECTION DATES FOR CEDAR GROVE, S. CHRISTA MCAULIFFE AND JONES LANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

The following inspection dates were set:

November 30, 10 a.m. Cedar Grove - Mrs. DiFonzo will attend
1 p.m. McAuliffe - Mrs. DiFonzo will attend
November 30, 10 a.m. Jones Lane - Dr. Cronin will attend

RESOLUTION NO. 524-87 Re: UTILIZATION OF FY 1988 FUTURE SUPPORTED PROJECT FUNDS TO PROVIDE COMPETENCY-BASED ADULT EDUCATION (CBAE) PROGRAM (PROJECT MAPP)

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

RESOLVED, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to receive and expend a $49,810 grant award within the FY 1988 Provision for Future Supported Projects from MSDE under the Adult Education Act to continue development of the Competency-based Adult Education instructional program in the following categories:

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<td>10 Fixed Charges</td>
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<td>$49,810</td>
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and be it further

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

RESOLUTION NO. 525-87 UTILIZATION OF FY 1988 FUTURE SUPPORTED PROJECT FUNDS FOR PROJECT CUBS (COUNSELING UNITS FOR BUILDING SELF-CONCEPT)

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

RESOLVED, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to receive
and expend within the FY 1988 Provision for Future Supported Projects a $4,000 grant award from MSDE for Project CUBS in the following categories:

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<td>2 Instructional Salaries</td>
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<td>3 Instructional Other</td>
<td>3,568</td>
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<td>10 Fixed Charges</td>
<td>32</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$4,000</strong></td>
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and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the county executive and the County Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 526-87 RECOMMENDED FY 1988 CATEGORICAL TRANSFER WITHIN THE PROVISION FOR FUTURE SUPPORTED PROJECTS

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

RESOLVED, That the superintendent of schools be authorized, subject to County Council approval, to effect the following categorical transfer within the FY 1988 Provision for Future Supported Projects:

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<td>1 Administration</td>
<td>$</td>
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<td>2 Instructional Salaries</td>
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<td>15,000</td>
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<td>3 Instructional Other</td>
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<td>4 Special Education</td>
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<td>10 Fixed Charges</td>
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<td><strong>$45,000</strong></td>
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and be it further

RESOLVED, That the county executive be requested to recommend approval of this resolution to the County Council and a copy be sent to the county executive and the County Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 527-87 RECOMMENDED FY 1988 CATEGORICAL TRANSFER WITHIN THE JOB TRAINING PARTNERSHIP ACT GRANT

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

RESOLVED, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to effect within the FY 1988 Job Training Partnership Act grant the following
categorical transfer in accordance with the County Council provision for transfers:

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<td>Instructional Salaries</td>
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<td>Pupil Transportation</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td>$1,200</td>
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and be it further

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

RESOLUTION NO. 528-87  UTILIZATION OF FY 1988 FUTURE SUPPORTED PROJECT FUNDS TO PROVIDE TRANSITION PROGRAMS FOR REFUGEE CHILDREN

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

RESOLVED, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to receive and expend a $31,977 grant award within the FY 1988 Provision for Future Supported Projects from the Maryland State Department of Education under the Refugee Act of 1980 in the following categories:

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<td>2,477</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td>$31,977</td>
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and be it further

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

RESOLUTION NO. 529-87  UTILIZATION OF FY 1988 FUTURE SUPPORTED PROJECT FUNDS FOR THE EXTENDED ELEMENTARY EDUCATION PROGRAM

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

RESOLVED, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to receive and expend, within the FY 1988 Provision for Supported Projects, an additional $14,860 grant award from MSDE for the EEEP in the following categories:

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

Re: EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board met in executive session to discuss legal and personnel issues from noon to 2 p.m. *Mr. Goldensohn joined the meeting during executive session.

Re: RECOMMENDED FY 1988 EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL

Mrs. DiFonzo moved and Mr. Goldensohn seconded the following:

WHEREAS, During deliberations on the Board's FY 1988 Operating Budget, the County Council reduced the budget by $242,000 in Category 8, Operation of Plant and Equipment; and

WHEREAS, The County Council informed the Board of Education these funds would be restored if a plan could be developed to provide building services support to schools being used for community programs without employing full-time MCPS staff on an overtime basis; and

WHEREAS, MCPS staff and the Interagency Coordinating Board (ICB) have been working together to develop such a plan; and

WHEREAS, Such a plan involves the employment of a permanent work force of 20-hour building service workers with MCPS paying 40 percent and the ICB paying 60 percent of the cost of this work force; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby requests an FY 1988 emergency supplemental appropriation of $242,000 in Category 8, Operation of Plant and Equipment, from the County Council to implement an MCPS/ICB plan to employ 20-hour building service employees for weekend work in schools used by community groups; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the county executive be requested to recommend approval of this resolution to the County Council and that a copy be sent to the county executive and the members of the County Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 530-87  Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION ON AN FY 1988 EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL
On motion of Mrs. DiFonzo seconded by Mr. Goldensohn, the following resolution was adopted unanimously (Mr. Herscowitz abstaining):

RESOLVED, That the proposed resolution on an FY 1988 emergency supplemental be amended by the addition of the following Resolved clause:

RESOLVED, That this action is contingent upon the County Council and county executive providing sufficient funds to fully implement this resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 531-87 Re: FY 1988 EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL

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

WHEREAS, During deliberations on the Board's FY 1988 Operating Budget, the County Council reduced the budget by $242,000 in Category 8, Operation of Plant and Equipment; and

WHEREAS, The County Council informed the Board of Education these funds would be restored if a plan could be developed to provide building services support to schools being used for community programs without employing full-time MCPS staff on an overtime basis; and

WHEREAS, MCPS staff and the Interagency Coordinating Board (ICB) have been working together to develop such a plan; and

WHEREAS, Such a plan involves the employment of a permanent work force of 20-hour building service workers with MCPS paying 40 percent and the ICB paying 60 percent of the cost of this work force; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby requests an FY 1988 emergency supplemental appropriation of $242,000 in Category 8, Operation of Plant and Equipment, from the County Council to implement an MCPS/ICB plan to employ 20-hour building service employees for weekend work in schools used by community groups; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the county executive be requested to recommend approval of this resolution to the County Council and that a copy be sent to the county executive and the members of the County Council; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this action is contingent upon the County Council and county executive providing sufficient funds to fully implement this resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 532-87 Re: PERSONNEL MONTHLY REPORT
On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Dr. Cronin seconded by Mrs. DiFonzo, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, That the following appointments, resignations, and leaves of absence for professional and supporting services personnel be approved: (TO BE APPENDED TO THESE MINUTES).

RESOLUTION NO. 533-87 PERSONNEL REASSIGNMENT

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

REASSIGNMENT
FROM
Violet Bradbury
Bus Operator
Area III Transp.
TO
Assignment to be determined
Will maintain salary status
To retire July 1, 1989

RESOLUTION NO. 534-87 EXTENSION OF SICK LEAVE

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

WHEREAS, The employees listed below have suffered serious illness, and

WHEREAS, Due to the prolonged illness, the employees' accumulated sick leave has expired; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education grant an extension of sick leave with three-fourths pay covering the number of days indicated.

NAME
Gilley, Sharon
Murphy, Elizabeth

POSITION AND LOCATION
Spec. Ed. Bus Attendant
Bus Operator, Area III

NO. OF DAYS
30
10

RESOLUTION NO. 535-87 DEATH OF MS. SHARON GILLEY
SPECIAL EDUCATION BUS ATTENDANT
AREA I TRANSPORTATION

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

WHEREAS, The death on October 30, 1987, of Ms. Sharon Gilley, a special education bus attendant in Area 1, has deeply saddened the staff and members of the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, In the three years that Ms. Gilley worked for Montgomery
County Public Schools, she demonstrated competence as a bus attendant; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Gilley was a cooperative staff member, giving of herself in time, energy, and services to students and staff; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the members of the Board of Education express their sorrow at the death of Ms. Sharon Gilley and extend deepest sympathy to her family; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution be made part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy be forwarded to Ms. Gilley's family.

RESOLUTION NO. 536-87 DEATH OF MRS. MYRTLE J. MERSON
BUS OPERATOR IN AREA III TRANSPORTATION

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

WHEREAS, The death on October 21, 1987, of Mrs. Myrtle J. Merson, a bus operator in Area 3, has deeply saddened the staff and members of the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, In the time Mrs. Merson worked for Montgomery County Public Schools, she demonstrated skill and competence as a bus operator; and

WHEREAS, Her pleasant personality and friendly manner in dealing with the children made her a valued employee of the school system; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the members of the Board of Education express their sorrow at the death of Mrs. Myrtle J. Merson and extend deepest sympathy to her family; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution be made part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy be forwarded to Mrs. Merson's family.

RESOLUTION NO. 537-87 Re: DEATH OF MRS. PATRICIA G. LUTZ
MEDIA ASSISTANT AT WAYSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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

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

WHEREAS, The death on October 19, 1987, of Mrs. Patricia G. Lutz, a media assistant at Wayside Elementary School, has deeply saddened the
staff and members of the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lutz had been a dedicated member of the media center staff for more than sixteen years; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lutz was a competent and personable staff member whose contribution to the school program was highly appreciated by students and staff; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the members of the Board of Education express their sorrow at the death of Mrs. Patricia G. Lutz and extend deepest sympathy to her family; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution be made part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy forwarded to Mrs. Lutz's family.

RESOLUTION NO. 538-87  Re:  PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS

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

RESOLVED, That the following personnel appointments be approved:

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<td>Mitchell M. Brown</td>
<td>Senior Project Manager</td>
<td>Assistant Director</td>
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<td>Fairfax County</td>
<td>Division of Construction</td>
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<td>Dept. of Public Works</td>
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<td>Fairfax, Virginia</td>
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<td>David G. Fischer</td>
<td>Staff Assistant to</td>
<td>Director of Procurement</td>
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<td>Mary McCarthy</td>
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Re:  FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR WALT WHITMAN HIGH SCHOOL

Mrs. DiFonzo moved and Mr. Goldensohn seconded the following:

WHEREAS, The Board's FY 1988 Capital Budget included planning funds for the modernization of Walt Whitman High School; and

WHEREAS, Because of the extensive modernization work that would be necessary to enable the existing building to meet current educational program standards, the architect prepared a feasibility report comparing the cost of modernizing Walt Whitman High School with the cost of constructing a new facility; and

WHEREAS, The Walt Whitman High School Planning Committee, staff and architect, upon review of the feasibility report, have recommended
RESOLVED, That the Board of Education amends the FY 1988 Capital Improvements Program to change the Walt Whitman High School project from a modernization to a new school and that the project construction be deferred one year; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the planning funds appropriated in FY 1988 be used to begin the preliminary planning for the new school; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the county executive and County Council be requested to concur in these changes in their approval of the Fiscal 1989 Capital Improvements Program.

RESOLUTION NO. 539-87  Re:  AN AMENDMENT TO THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION ON WALT WHITMAN HIGH SCHOOL

On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Mr. Goldensohn, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, That the proposed resolution on Walt Whitman High School be amended by the addition of the following Resolved clause:

RESOLVED, That the superintendent will make every effort to provide appropriate assistance to the tenants now at Whittier Woods in finding housing elsewhere in the Montgomery County Public Schools.

RESOLUTION NO. 540-87  Re:  FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR WALT WHITMAN HIGH SCHOOL

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

WHEREAS, The Board's FY 1988 Capital Budget included planning funds for the modernization of Walt Whitman High School; and

WHEREAS, Because of the extensive modernization work that would be necessary to enable the existing building to meet current educational program standards, the architect prepared a feasibility report comparing the cost of modernizing Walt Whitman High School with the cost of constructing a new facility; and

WHEREAS, The Walt Whitman High School Planning Committee, staff and architect, upon review of the feasibility report, have recommended constructing a new facility instead of modernizing the existing building; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education amends the FY 1988 Capital Improvements Program to change the Walt Whitman High School project from a modernization to a new school and that the project construction be deferred one year; and be it further
RESOLVED, That the planning funds appropriated in FY 1988 be used to begin the preliminary planning for the new school; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the county executive and County Council be requested to concur in these changes in their approval of the Fiscal 1989 Capital Improvements Program; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the superintendent will make every effort to provide appropriate assistance to the tenants now at Whittier Woods in finding housing elsewhere in the Montgomery County Public Schools.

RESOLUTION NO. 541-87 Re: POSITION ON STATE AIDS POLICY

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

WHEREAS, The Montgomery County Board of Education recognizes the need for educational program about the HIV infection and the AIDS disease; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Montgomery County Board of Education affirm its support of the proposed bylaw 13A.04.15 of AIDS Prevention Education, as amended by the AELR Committee of the Maryland General Assembly; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Montgomery County Board of Education express its appreciation to the State Board for the several opportunities afforded MCPS for input on the bylaw wording and for incorporating its recommendations into the amended bylaw.

RESOLUTION NO. 542-87 Re: PRESENTATION OF PRELIMINARY PLANS MONOCACY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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

WHEREAS, The architect for the Monocacy Elementary School Addition has prepared the schematic design in accordance with the educational specifications; and

WHEREAS, The Monocacy Elementary School Planning Committee has approved the proposed schematic design; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Montgomery County Board of Education approve the preliminary plan report prepared by Fox Hanna - Architects/Planners, P.A.

Re: BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

1. Mr. Ewing said the Board had received correspondence from Mr. Malcolm Lawrence and others dealing with intrusions into student
privacy. He continued to receive inquiries on this issue and would like to know where matters stood and when the Board could expect to receive a response. Dr. Vance replied that they were preparing an updated memo from staff restating the long-standing policy. Dr. Martin's staff was reviewing curriculum materials to make sure the policy had not been violated. He had reviewed the policy with associate superintendents and had asked them to meet with their principals and make sure practices were being followed. He remarked that this was a timely letter from Mr. Lawrence and others to get them to relook at the issue. Mrs. Praisner added that a letter had gone out under her signature to Mr. Lawrence explaining that they were in the process of reviewing materials.

2. Mr. Ewing said he was in receipt of an opinion by a former attorney general of the state concerning the issue of values education in which he argues it would not be designed to intrude into family matters.

3. Mr. Ewing said that they had received comments from community people in Area 1 and elsewhere about when the Board was going to get to the issue of pre-school/Grade 12 policies. This was raised in connection with the special program up-county. People had suggested it would be useful for the Board to take a position on that issue prior to acting on the recommendations of the committee on special programs. Mrs. Praisner replied that the K-12 recommendations had been on the agenda for several months for Board consideration in February. The materials had been sent out to the community for comment prior to Board consideration. Mr. William Henry, director of the Department of Information, commented that the deadline for citizen comment was November 30.

4. Mr. Herscowitz said he continued to hear from students about extracurricular activities and guidelines for student participation including discipline for infraction of rules. Mrs. Praisner indicated that his memo on this subject would go to the superintendent for response.

5. Dr. Cronin reported that Board members had had an opportunity to meet last night with the up-county advisory committee. It was a positive meeting, and he expressed appreciation for the support of staff members Counihan and Crispell.

6. Mr. Goldensohn said he had received a paper from Dr. Rohr about vacant school facilities. At present Belt Junior High School and Brookview Elementary were vacant.

RESOLUTION NO. 543-87  Re: EXECUTIVE SESSION, NOVEMBER 23, 1987

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. DiFonzo seconded by Dr. Cronin, 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 November
23, 1987, at 7:30 p.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. 544-87 Re: MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 21, 1987

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

RESOLVED, That the minutes of September 21, 1987, be approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 545-87 Re: MINUTES OF OCTOBER 19, 1987

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

RESOLVED, That the minutes of October 19, 1987, be approved.

Re: B-CC CLUSTER

Dr. Cronin moved and Dr. Shoenberg seconded the following:

WHEREAS, The Board of Education has utilized magnet schools for purposes of achieving effective integration; and

WHEREAS, The magnet elementary schools of the Bethesda-Chevy Chase cluster have flourished and enjoy the continuing support of the community and the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education is desirous of continuing the strong commitment to integrated education demonstrated in the cluster; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education commits itself again to the support of the magnet programs of the elementary schools of the Bethesda-Chevy Chase cluster; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education commits itself to assuring that all students are treated equally and have available to them the
option of selecting appropriate educational programs in other cluster schools within the bounds of the Quality Education/Racial Balance Policy and the Transfer Policy; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education will continue to maintain the following assurances (that are not legally binding):

That the Board will provide, if possible (given the budgetary dependency of MCPS on the executive and Council and state government), resources beyond the norm and beyond mere transportation costs through June 30, 1993, to continue to implement the high level of effectiveness and success demonstrated in the educational programs adopted in the cluster. That there will be continuous Board and staff attention to the progress of the schools and the issues they face, and that this attention will come about through formal assessments of the progress of the magnet programs, through regular reports to the Board on the status of the programs and through periodic meetings with the cluster community leadership. That educational needs at the Westland Intermediate School and at B-CC High School level will be assessed to ensure that the quality integrated education begun at the elementary level continues through the upper grades.

and be it further

RESOLVED, That the county executive, County Council, State Board of Education, and state superintendent of schools be made aware of these actions.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION ON THE B-CC CLUSTER (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing to amend the proposed resolution on the B-CC Cluster by substituting, "Resolved, That the Board of Education commits itself again to the support of the magnet programs at the elementary schools and in addition all of the programs in the elementary schools in the B-CC cluster" for the first Resolved clause failed with Mr. Ewing voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, Mr. Goldensohn, Mrs. Praisner, and Dr. Shoenberg voting in the negative; (Mr. Herscowitz abstaining).

Re: A MOTION BY MRS. DIFONZO TO AMEND THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION ON THE B-CC CLUSTER (FAILED)

A motion by Mrs. DiFonzo to amend the proposed resolution on the B-CC Cluster by substituting "1992" for "1993" in the first bullet failed for lack of a second. Board members agreed to substitute "monitored" for "assessed" in the last bullet.

Mrs. DiFonzo assumed the chair.
A motion by Mrs. Praisner to amend the proposed resolution on the B-CC cluster by deleting the last bullet on Westland and B-CC High School failed with Mrs. DiFonzo, Mrs. Praisner, and Dr. Shoenberg voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cronin, Mr. Ewing, and Mr. Goldensohn voting in the negative; (Mr. Herscowitz being temporarily absent).

Mrs. Praisner assumed the chair.

RESOLUTION NO. 546-87 Re: B-CC CLUSTER

On motion of Dr. Cronin seconded by Dr. Shoenberg, the following resolution was adopted with Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, Mr. Ewing, Mr. Goldensohn, and Dr. Shoenberg voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Praisner abstaining; (Mr. Herscowitz being temporarily absent):

WHEREAS, The Board of Education has utilized magnet schools for purposes of achieving effective integration; and

WHEREAS, The magnet elementary schools of the Bethesda-Chevy Chase cluster have flourished and enjoy the continuing support of the community and the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education is desirous of continuing the strong commitment to integrated education demonstrated in the cluster; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education commits itself again to the support of the magnet programs of the elementary schools of the Bethesda-Chevy Chase cluster; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education commits itself to assuring that all students are treated equally and have available to them the option of selecting appropriate educational programs in other cluster schools within the bounds of the Quality Education/Racial Balance Policy and the Transfer Policy; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education will continue to maintain the following assurances (that are not legally binding):

That the Board will provide, if possible (given the budgetary dependency of MCPS on the executive and Council and state government), resources beyond the norm and beyond mere transportation costs through June 30, 1993, to continue to implement the high level of effectiveness and success demonstrated in the educational programs adopted in the cluster. There will be continuous Board and staff attention to the progress of the schools and the issues they face, and that this attention will come about through formal assessments of the progress of the magnet programs, through regular reports to the Board on the status of the programs and through periodic meetings with the cluster community leadership.
That educational needs at the Westland Intermediate School and at B-CC High School level will be monitored to ensure that the quality integrated education begun at the elementary level continues through the upper grades.

and be it further

RESOLVED, That the county executive, County Council, State Board of Education, and state superintendent of schools be made aware of these actions.

For the record, Mrs. Praisner stated that she did not oppose a continuing commitment to the B-CC cluster. She had some concerns about extending a resolution which had been adopted at a time of difficult actions on facilities to be a continuing resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 547-87  Re:  RECOGNIZING MCPS STAFF AND STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. DiFonzo seconded by Dr. Cronin, the following resolution was adopted unanimously (Mr. Herscowitz being temporarily absent):

WHEREAS, Many MCPS employees and students accomplished outstanding achievements, and thereby deserve recognition and praise from their peers, the superintendent and Board of Education, and the public; and

WHEREAS, On February 8, 1983, the Board of Education unanimously adopted a policy establishing the practice of recognizing students' and employees' outstanding achievements; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That a Recognition Evening be held on November 12, 1987, 8:00 p.m., at Benjamin Banneker Junior High School; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the following list of students and employees be so recognized and honored that evening.

HONOREES
STUDENTS
Justin Swope, College Gardens Elementary School, was selected as one of 150 winners of the National Essay Contest sponsored by the United States Department of Education. The title of the essay was "What the Constitution Means to Me and My Country." Justin's entry was the only winning essay chosen from the state of Maryland. He was honored by President Reagan and Secretary of Education William Bennett.

Eugene Chu, Churchill High School, placed third at the state level in the National Spanish Exam.

Jordan Ellenberg, Churchill High School, placed ninth in the nation in the USA Math Olympiad and also achieved a perfect score at the International Math Olympiad.

Gaithersburg High School students winning awards at the Spring DECA Conference include: Honorable Mentions - Laurie High, Advertising Services and Merchandise Price Judging; Eddie Layman, Career
Exploration Manual and Full Service Restaurant Management; Alexis Adams, Apparel and Accessories Supervisory Level; Kathy Chelberg, Food Marketing, Master Employee Level; Theresa Maines, General Merchandising Master Employee Level; Heather Van Buren, General Merchandising, Master Employee Level; Terry Gray, Job Interview; Greg Cravaritis, Finance and Credit; and Dolores Mitchel, Brad Potter, and Joette Ludwig, Human Relations Team. Other awards included: Ann Evans, first place, Sales Demonstration, and second place, Public Relations Campaign; Becky Bennett, first place, General Merchandising and second place, Public Relations Campaign; Alecia Janney, second place, Quick Serve Restaurant; and Ray Collins, second place, Merchandise Price Judging. Ann Evans, Tony Dorsey, Keith Engelman, Alecia Janney, and Ray Collins received a second place award for Parliamentary Procedure Team. Theresa Maines, Heather Van Buren, and Karen Skillman received a second place award for Human Relations Decision Making Team. Keith Engelman received a third place award in Merchandise Price Judging. State Achievement Awards at the Conference went to Greg Cravaritis, Finance and Credit; Dolores Mitchel, Advertising Series Basic and Social Skills; Heather Van Buren, General Merchandising Knowledge Test; Becky Bennett, General Merchandising; Alecia Janney, Quick Serve Restaurant Management; and Kathy Chelberg, Food Marketing Physical Distribution. Special Awards included the James L. Reid Scholarship Award, presented by the Maryland Vocational Association of Teachers to the outstanding state DECA student – Laurie High.

At the State DECA Conference, Churchill High School's marketing students took the following honors: Mark Elenowitz, first place, Job Interview, second place, Sales Demonstration, and third place, Poster Advertising; Dareya Pourhamidi, Honorable Mention, Shadow Box Display; Mike Sussman, first place, General Marketing and third place, Income Tax Problems; Chris Hinrichs, first place, Vehicles and Petroleum Marketing, Sam Gorwitz, third place, Vehicles and Petroleum Marketing; and Tim Rood, fourth place, Full Service Restaurant Marketing. In Human Relations Problems, the team of Tim Rood, Sam Gorwitz, and Chris Hinrichs placed first. In the national competition, Chris Hinrichs won an award for his competition in Basic and Social Skills and another for being one of the top 21 contenders in the country in Vehicle and Petroleum Marketing.

Henry Harris, of Walter Johnson High School, has been named as Maryland's "High School Journalist of the Year" for 1986-87 by the Maryland-Delaware-D.C. Press Association, in cooperation with the Maryland Scholastic Press Advisers Association. Runners-up in the annual selection were Lindsay Moran, of Montgomery Blair High School, and Jeff Bruner, of Gaithersburg High School.

Joy Foust, Whetstone Elementary School, has received an award at the regional level in the J. C. Penney Wildflower Art Contest. Her winning drawing was on display in Annapolis.

Whetstone Elementary School students Ryan Menk, Renee Knotts, Bethany Cimino, Damion Moore, James Marchetti, Shawna Wallace, Becky Daniel, Amanda Reynolds, Halima Madjid, Stephanie Schultz, and Katie Dill
received an award at the regional level of the Maryland School Film Festival in the video tape division for their film "Goat and Tiger." Takoma Park Intermediate School students did very well in recent mathematics competitions. Vijay D'Souza, Jacob DeGlopper, Shon Bayer, Justin Metcalfe, Kevin Yeh, and Doug Ihde were third place winners in the nation in the Continental Math League Computer Science Contest. Their teachers were Eli Haddad and Bob Smeak. First Place Regional Winners in Mathematics Competition at the seventh grade level in the Continental Mathematics League were: Geetika Agrawala, Jonathan Devilbiss, Eric Liu, Oliver Wang, David Ahn, Doug Ihde, Kenny Morse, Kevin Yeh, Jack Chu, Hormuzdiar Katki, and Samrat Mukhopadhyay. Doug Ihde achieved a perfect score in the seventh grade Sigma contests as well as on each of the Algebra I contests in the National Mathematics League. Jack Chu achieved a perfect score on each of the five contests in the seventh grade Pythagorean Division of the Continental Mathematics League. Oliver Wang placed fourth in the United States in the Algebra I Division of the National Mathematics League. Top team members in the Sigma Mathematics League were: Geetika Agrawala, Hormuzdiar Katki, Samrat Mukhopadhyay, Conrad Tseng, Jack Chu, Oliver Wang, Shon Baye, Ritika Arora, Jonathan Devilbiss, Richard O'Connell, Mohit Varma, and Muhamad Gani.

In the Sigma Mathematics League, the Takoma Park Intermediate School combined 7th/8th grade team placed second in the country; the seventh grade team placed third in the country; and the eighth grade team placed second in the country. Darlyn Counihan was the teacher/coach for the math teams. She was also selected to be the coach for the state team that was sent to the national Mathcounts competition. John Mufti and Robin Suleiman, Churchill High School, have both won journalism awards from the Longmeadow Foundation.

Douglas Hardy, Jacqueline Le, and Donald Mowbray of Magruder High School, were named as semifinalists in the Maryland Distinguished Scholars Program. John Steele, Daniel Mendelsohn, Melissa Leung, Chang-Kay Li, and Joyce Kang were named as finalists. In the Talent-in-the-Arts Program, Alexandra Houska was named as a semifinalist, and Chi-Ming Yu received an Honorable Mention. Stephanie Nazzaro, of Sherwood High School, Melinda James, Blair High School, and Jennifer Lee, of Wheaton High School, have received awards from the National Council of Teachers of English Achievement in Writing.

Walt Whitman High School students Josephine Barrett, Eric Butters, and Andy Vogt, were named as Maryland Distinguished Scholars in the Visual Arts.

Alan Barney, Richard Montgomery High School, has been recognized by the White House for his participation in the "El Ingeniero" program, a pre-college career education/mathematics and science enrichment program primarily for Hispanic junior and senior high school students.

Julie McHugh, Walt Whitman High School, has received an award as Outstanding Junior in Child Development from Wheelock College.
Sam Fitzgerald, Springbrook High School, received a first place award in the Architectural Design division of the 1987 Maryland State Drafting Competition, sponsored by Technology Education Association of Maryland. John Crooke, also of Springbrook High School, received a first place award in the Mechanical Drafting division of the competition. Their teacher is John Schuma.

Alisa Ogonji, Springbrook High School, placed first in the Annual Afro Academic Cultural Technological Olympics (ACT-SO), sponsored by the NAACP. Her teacher is John Schuma.

Students who won awards at the state level in the Maryland School Film Festival in Photography are: Lisa Milke, Lake Seneca Elementary School; Abram Goodrich, Walter Johnson High School; Seth Flaum, Churchill High School; and Steve Filano, Redland Middle School. In the category of Motion Media, the following students were winners: Charles Appleby, Jeremy Appleby, Robert Arguello, Jason Baugher, Lori Browning, Brian Burns, Patrick Chick, Billy Gibson, Linda Holmes, Chris Huelsenbeck, Thomas Johnson, James Kelpy, John Petrosino, Ben Pogue, Jerry Pryor, Terisa Robertson, Tracey Sarni, David Schenck, Heather Van Horne, Jessica Walker, Scott Walters, Elizabeth Wilson, Travis Wilson, Sunita Rupani, and Maritza Laboy of Damascus Elementary School. Their teachers are Mavis J. Vandegrift and Jane Hsu. Jeff Balck, Jeannette Barbana, Debbie Brown, Lisa Fox, Elcia Marsh, Barbara Neville, Scott Evans, Evans Formica, Mark Sheelor, and Teddy Wu, from Springbrook High School, were also winners in the Motion Media category. Their teacher is Debra Adkins. Staff members Rachel Rankin, Jeff Waller and Judy Rockey also participated in the project.

Willam Fagan, Bonnie Gruenfeld, Eric Justh, Geniu Lin, Andrew Plotkin, Andrea Shapiro, and Rebecca Smith, of Rockville High School, were named as finalists in the Maryland Distinguished Scholars Program, High Achiever category. Students named as semifinalists in the High Achiever category are: Tamar Gabelnick, Carolyn Weiss, and Joseph Yaffe. In the Talent in the Arts category, Debra Walden and Eleanor Willis were named as semifinalists and Robert Fish and Deborah Oaks received Honorable Mentions.

Wootton High School students Rafael Bobenreith, David Lerner, and Gordon Hartogensis, were named as finalists in the Maryland Distinguished Scholar Program, High Achiever category. Kellie Marsh, Ava Kuo, Charlene Lu, Jeffrey Wolfson, and Christina Shat, were named as semifinalists; and HoJung Yoo and Todd Zukowski received Honorable Mentions. In the Talent in the Arts category, Ilana Trachtman was named as finalist, Susan Derry was named as semifinalist, and Amy Amerson and Kellie Marsh received Honorable Mentions.

Raymond Hsu, Hyeseong Kim, and Lisa Tartamella, Seneca Valley High School, were named as finalists in the Maryland Distinguished Scholar Program, High Achiever category; Francoise Le, Michele Pena, Gretchen Briki, Lisa Chiachierini, Neeraj Chopra, Sudip Ghatak, and Matthew Kastantin, were named as semifinalists; Shannon Kane and Elizabeth Pancik were named as semifinalists in the Talent in the Arts Program; and Michelle Endlich and Michelle Hensel received Honorable Mentions.
Ali Beckerman, and Janet Fitzgerald, Richard Montgomery High School, have received an award for their theme development, layout and graphic presentations on the 1988 edition of the Rocket. Their teacher is Elizabeth Olah.

Katherine Chang, Zerlina Chen, Rebecca Epstein, Ivan Follender, Matthew Frattali, Amy Kingman, Alison Milofsky, Manish Shah, Eric Swanson, and Ana Maria Wheatcroft, Walter Johnson High School, were named as finalists in the Maryland Distinguished Scholar Program. Minh Duyen Dang, Diane O'Reilly, Antonio Pizzigati, Robin Shaffer, and Julie Wood were named as semifinalists and Kevin Horowitz received an Honorable Mention. In the Talent in the Arts Program, Eun-Ju Lee was named as a finalist, and Sarah Austin, Julie Bourbon and Mark Rozas received Honorable Mentions.

Amy Hunt, a flutist from Seneca Valley High School, was named to the All-State Band.

Dimitry Ekzarkhovu, Einstein High School, has been named as a Maryland Distinguished Scholar.

Amy Ng, Einstein High School, has been named as a finalist in the National Scholastic Art Competition.

Megan Crowder and Julienne Ackerman, Einstein High School, are recipients of the National Council of Teachers of English Writing Award.

Susan Golden, Rockville High School, received a Superior rating at the State Solo and Ensemble Festival from the Maryland Music Education Association.

Denise D'Anna, Rockville High School, was named Majorette of the East by the National Baton Twirlers Association.

Caroline Burke, Rockville High School, was given a first place award, Flute Solo by the Maryland State Music Teachers Association.

Carolyn Evans and Elena Jakubiak, Seven Locks Elementary School, each won first place in the MCPS Film Festival in Photography and competed at the state level competitions. Their teacher is Doreen Davidson. Rita Lee, Blair High School, won a first place award in the Maryland State Violin Competition.

Lori Ackerman, Blair High School, received Columbus University's Gold Circle Award for an article published in Silver Chips.

Chris Marquez, Blair High School, received a first place award in the Maryland Music Teachers Association Spring Festival for Piano Solo. Paul Lynch and Joseph Nguyen, of Blair High School, have been named as finalists in the Maryland Distinguished Scholars Program, High Achiever category. Kelly Olmen was named as a semifinalist. In the Talent in the Arts Program, Alison VanDeursen, Scott Patti, and Blake
Ratner were named as finalists.

Amy Evenson, Baker Intermediate School, placed tenth, Level 1, in the National Spanish Exam. Kathy Ferguson, Laura Welsh, and Scott Rupp, also of Baker Intermediate School, placed sixth, seventh and tenth, Level 1B, respectively, in the National French Exam.

STAFF
The Maryland Scholastic Press Advisers Association has given its Maryland Award (best state newspaper) to Walt Whitman High School's Black and White. The newspaper's sponsor is Robert Atwood. The Maryland State Department of Education has recognized that the cross-disciplinary units in English have earned for Springbrook High School the distinction of being designated as a Center of Excellence by the National Council of Teachers of English. State Superintendent Hornbeck writes, "Your program reminds us that excellence does indeed exist in our public schools, and I am sure that it will serve as a model for other educators searching for new and creative approaches to the English language arts. You have reason to be proud of your role in developing and teaching a program that has been judged by your peers as a national model." Dr. Thomas Marshall is the principal of Springbrook High School.

Dr. Suzanne Clewell, Area 1 Teacher Specialist, has received an award for outstanding research in reading from the State of Maryland International Reading Association.

John Boblick, science resource teacher at Poolesville Junior/Senior High School, was designated a Dreyfus master teacher after participating in a month-long chemistry institute at Princeton University. He is the first MCPS teacher to receive this honor. Russel DeCamp, Wootton High School, has received the John Rowen Outstanding Science Teacher award from Sigma Xi.

Judith Brown, biology teacher at Montgomery Blair High School, has received the S. Christa McAuliffe Award for her commitment to the teaching of scientific literacy.

Gerald Link, Wootton High School, has been named as Outstanding Teacher of Secondary Science by the Maryland Association of Science Teachers.

Robert Evans, Wootton High School, has been selected as the Outstanding Earth Science Teacher from Maryland by the Eastern Section of the National Association of Geology Teachers. Rebecca Moscoso, Bilingual Diagnostic/Prescriptive Teacher with the Division of School Based Special Education, received a Letter of Recognition for Quality Research from the Virginia Educational Research Association.

Donna Hebner, Viers Mill Elementary School, has received the Agnes Meyer Outstanding Teacher Award from the Washington Post. Edwin Lewin, Director, Division of Accounting, Charles Stine,
Director, Department of Financial Services, and Sue Hurd, Accounting Specialist, Division of Accounting, have received the Certification of Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Association of School Business Officials (ASBO). This is the sixth consecutive year that MCPS personnel have received this award.

Marci Frye, Parkland Junior High School, has been named the Outstanding Mathematics Teacher by the Maryland Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

Martha Marino, Mill Creek Towne Elementary School, has received the Mary Lay Thom Sculpture Award for outstanding achievement in this media. The award is presented each year by the faculty of the Corcoran School of Art.

Marijane Ricketts, Department of Academic Skills, has won the Grand Prize in Poetry from Byline, for her poem "Two Doves in Mourning." James Myerberg, coordinator of testing in the Department of Educational Accountability, has received an award for the best report of test results from the American Educational Research Association. Dr. Robert Humbles, principal of Julius West Middle School, and Dr. Marie Cecile Louvet, magnet teacher at Eastern Intermediate School, received awards from the Maryland Modern Foreign Language Association. Humbles was recognized for excellence in administration of a foreign language program and for his support and efforts on behalf of foreign languages. Louvet, the first French immersion teacher in the U.S., was recognized for her leadership and contributions to the elementary French immersion program. She received the Outstanding Teacher award in the K-6 category.

Vicki Echols, foreign language resource teacher at Wheaton High School, received the Yvonne Escola Memorial Teacher Incentive Award for her proposal to design instructional units emphasizing the culture and literature of black, French-speaking countries. Edward Morris, social studies teacher and coach of the debate/congress team at Walt Whitman High School, has been awarded the Diamond Key by the National Forensic League.

Regina Sclar, foreign language teacher at Hoover Junior High School, has been awarded a Certificat d'honneur as a professeur du laureat from the American Association of Teachers of French. Sclar received the honor for having winners in Le Grand concours, the national French contest, on the state, Mid-Atlantic and national levels. This is the 13th time she has earned this award.

Farquhar Middle School and Poolesville Junior/Senior High School have received Excellence in Education awards from the U.S. Secretary of Education. The two schools were among only 271 schools in the nation to receive such an award for the 1986-87 academic year. Thomas Hickman and Terrill Meyer are respective principals of the two schools.

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP SEMIFINALISTS
BETHESDA-CHEVY CHASE HIGH SCHOOL
Aaron F. Brady
Katherine L. Curzan
Lucy R. Fox
Elliot T. Grant
Erika B. McConnell
Christopher B. Miller
Eva R. Parker
Simone A. Parrish
Edward T. Piou
Jennifer R. Pleasure
Daniel S. Shapiro
Jonathan E. Sommer

KENNEDY HIGH SCHOOL
David J. Gelb
Adam S. Klippie
Kathleen E. McGuire
Eric J. Stollnitz
M. Angela Delclos

MAGRUDER HIGH SCHOOL
Melissa E. Leung
Thomas Meixner
Daniel B. Mendelsohn
Wilbur S. Peng
Vikas K. Sinha
John B. Steele
Daniel E. Zalewski

MONTGOMERY BLAIR HIGH SCHOOL
Nathan B. Rein
Mary B. Stump

RICHARD MONTGOMERY HIGH SCHOOL
Doyle K. Hodges

PAINT BRANCH HIGH SCHOOL
Ruth P. Hertzman
Albert Y. Hsia
Michael D. Nilsson
Jennifer L. Sainato
Joanna M. Schauenman
Robert J. Sondik
Pearl T. Tsai
Michael A. Wessler
Robert K. Yang
John P. Young

ROCKVILLE HIGH SCHOOL
Ian D. Chamberlin
Steven M. Labovitz
Mary Katherine E. Lee
Glenn W. Van Der Woud

SENECA VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL
Sarah L. Avery
Eric W. Justh
Laura E. Maglott
Andrew C. Plotkin
Joseph M. Yaffe
Jeffrey M. Zimmet

GAITHERSBURG HIGH SCHOOL
Richard W. Bukowski
Robert A. Calleja
Seth B. Carpenter
Raymond M. Hsu
Robert B. Sammel

SHERWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

WALTER JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL
Laurent M. DuBois
Kira R. Gantt
Catherine A. Hight
Sara C. Long
Mark A. Nelson
Eric T. Swanson

WOODWARD HIGH SCHOOL
Joy K. Haftel

SPRINGBROOK HIGH SCHOOL

Jonathan D. Baker
Zerlina S. Chen
Alexander C. Lanham
WOOTTON HIGH SCHOOL
Mary B. Arras
Jennifer L. Lee
Michael E. Preston
David L. Boesch
John S. Colton
Melanie C. Dobay
Michael Y. Fan
Lynda Y. Liu
Benjamin R. Tessler

WALT WHITMAN HIGH SCHOOL
Seth J. Barron
Karin S. Butler
Michelle S. Chen
Michael B. Cleveland
Milana V. Dolezal
Charles F. Doran
Erica Fleishman
Salem S. Gafsi
Joshua Goldstein
Daniel E. Gottesman
Barry D. Gough
David B. Hoffman
Stephen M. Hope
Sarah A. Kline
Karen M. Kramer
Loren A. Mayor
Elizabeth M. Nevins
Katherine H. Noe
Katherine M. Noel
Sarah S. O'Keefe
Jane C. Park
Deborah M. Redish
Rebecca B. Roberts
Keith E. Rogers
Daniel H. Rose
Jason P. Rubin
Judy M. Shih
Edward S. Spitzberg
Joanne D. Stekler
Derek J. Stocker
David J. Taube
Joel D. Taubenblatt
Mark C. Thurber
Albert M. Yu

NATIONAL HISPANIC SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS PROGRAM SEMIFINALISTS

BETHESDA-CHEVY CHASE HIGH SCHOOL
Joseph E. Ledesma
Alex H. Mobin

MAGRUDER HIGH SCHOOL
Pastor Farinas
Elizabeth S. Fernandes

MONTGOMERY BLAIR HIGH SCHOOL
Gonzalo J. Graupera

POOLESVILLE HIGH SCHOOL
Cristina R. Sevilla

CHURCHILL HIGH SCHOOL
Alex Heffess

SPRINGBROOK HIGH SCHOOL
Ana M. Bernardo
Re: COMMISSION ON EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

Mr. Ewing moved and Mrs. DiFonzo seconded the following:

WHEREAS, On April 9, 1985, the Board of Education created an advisory committee of distinguished citizens of the county, to be known as the Commission on Excellence in Teaching, to address issues arising in connection with the following question:

How shall the Montgomery County Board of Education and the county public school system meet the challenges posted by the need to find, recruit, hire, train, retain and retrain the excellent teachers the county schools need to assure that teaching excellence remains a hallmark of the Montgomery County Public Schools?

and
WHEREAS, On February 24, 1987, the Commission on Excellence in Teaching presented its report to the Board of Education, and the Board discussed the recommendations of the Commission at subsequent meetings; and

WHEREAS, In July, 1987, the superintendent presented a comprehensive plan for developing implementation recommendations for presentation to the Board in October; and

WHEREAS, On October 27, 1987, the superintendent of schools presented the Board with his report on and response to the recommendations of the Commission; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education has adopted priorities including "increasing organizational effectiveness and employee capabilities" through improvement of evaluation systems and the development of instruments to measure school effectiveness (Priority 3) and "conducting studies that will result in recommendations for substantive, long-range adaptations that will improve the MCPS instructional program" (Priority 5); and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education believes that the recommendations of the Commission on Excellence in Teaching have, as their underlying philosophy, the goal of improved learning for all students through superior teaching, which is also a goal of the Board's priorities; and

WHEREAS, Recognizing that they will receive specific proposals from the superintendent for further discussion and action, the members of the Board of Education wish to make a general endorsement of the recommendations of the Commission and the strategies proposed by the superintendent to implement many of the recommendations; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education endorse the plan of action proposed by the superintendent of schools to implement the recommendations of the Commission on Excellence in Teaching.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION ON THE COMMISSION ON EXCELLENCE

The following motion by Mr. Ewing failed with Mr. Ewing, Mr. Goldensohn, and Dr. Shoenberg voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cronin voting in the negative; Mrs. DiFonzo, (Mr. Herscowitz), and Mrs. Praisner abstaining:

RESOLVED, That the following clauses be substituted for the last Resolved of the proposed resolution:

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education supports the overall direction of the recommendations set forth in the report on the
Commission of Excellence and supports the recommendations for action made to date by the superintendent of schools; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education expects to receive further specific proposals for discussion and action in those areas of the Commission Report not yet spoken to by the superintendent's report of October 27, 1987; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education will be furnished on a regular basis, but at least twice yearly, with information about resource requirements for implementation of resource requirements approved, and the status of implementation of all recommendations of the Commission.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION ON THE COMMISSION ON EXCELLENCE (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing to amend the proposed resolution on the Commission on Excellence by the addition of a Resolved clause, "Resolved, That the Board of Education supports the overall direction of the recommendations in the report of the Commission on Excellence" failed with Mr. Ewing, Mr. Goldensohn, and Dr. Shoenberg voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, (Mr. Herscowitz), and Mrs. Praisner abstaining.

RESOLUTION NO. 548-87 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION ON THE COMMISSION ON EXCELLENCE

On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Mr. Goldensohn, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, That the proposed resolution on the Commission on Excellence be amended by the addition of "and ask the superintendent to give the Board regular reports on the status of implementation of the recommendations."

RESOLUTION NO. 549-87 Re: RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSION ON EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

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

WHEREAS, On April 9, 1985, the Board of Education created an advisory committee of distinguished citizens of the county, to be known as the Commission on Excellence in Teaching, to address issues arising in connection with the following question:

How shall the Montgomery County Board of Education and the county public school system meet the challenges posted by the need to find, recruit, hire, train, retain and retrain the excellent teachers the county schools need to assure that teaching
Whereas, on February 24, 1987, the Commission on Excellence in Teaching presented its report to the Board of Education, and the Board discussed the recommendations of the Commission at subsequent meetings; and

Whereas, in July, 1987, the superintendent presented a comprehensive plan for developing implementation recommendations for presentation to the Board in October; and

Whereas, on October 27, 1987, the superintendent of schools presented the Board with his report on and response to the recommendations of the Commission; and

Whereas, the Board of Education has adopted priorities including "increasing organizational effectiveness and employee capabilities" through improvement of evaluation systems and the development of instruments to measure school effectiveness (Priority 3) and "conducting studies that will result in recommendations for substantive, long-range adaptations that will improve the MCPS instructional program" (Priority 5); and

Whereas, the Board of Education believes that the recommendations of the Commission on Excellence in Teaching have, as their underlying philosophy, the goal of improved learning for all students through superior teaching, which is also a goal of the Board's priorities; and

Whereas, recognizing that they will receive specific proposals from the superintendent for further discussion and action, the members of the Board of Education wish to make a general endorsement of the recommendations of the Commission and the strategies proposed by the superintendent to implement many of the recommendations; now therefore be it

Resolved, that the Board of Education endorse the plan of action proposed by the superintendent of schools to implement the recommendations of the Commission on Excellence in Teaching and ask the superintendent to give the Board regular reports on the status of implementation of the recommendations.

Resolution No. 550-87  Re: Commendation of Barbara Cantor

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

Whereas, Barbara Cantor has been committed to the concept of community use of schools and was a member of the Community Education and Services Task Force which recommended the establishment of the
Interagency Coordinating Board for Community Use of Educational Facilities and Services (ICB); and

WHEREAS, Her ICB activities and her service to her own community as president of the Woodside Elementary School PTA, Sligo Junior High School PTA and Montgomery Blair High School PTSA and as chairperson of the Blair Advisory Council exemplify the high quality of volunteer service in Montgomery County; and

WHEREAS, Barbara Cantor has served as a county executive representative on the ICB since its creation in 1978; and

WHEREAS, On October 30, 1987, Mrs. Cantor completed her service on the ICB; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Montgomery County Board of Education commends Mrs. Barbara Cantor for her active participation in the establishment and development of the Interagency Coordinating Board; and be it further

RESOLVED, That on behalf of the staff and students of the Montgomery County Public Schools, the Board of Education extends its appreciation for the efforts and commitment made by Barbara Cantor toward the success of community education in Montgomery County.

Re: NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Ewing moved and Dr. Shoenberg seconded that at an appropriate time the Board have a review and discussion of the issue of assertive discipline in the Blair cluster and other schools.

Re: ITEMS OF INFORMATION

Board members received the following items of information:

1. Items in Process
2. Construction Progress Report
3. First Aid and CPR Units in the Program of Studies for Health Education
5. School Facilities Change Order/Bid Activity Quarterly Report
6. Mapping a Course for Successful Strategies and Programs

Re: ADJOURNMENT

The president adjourned the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

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