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The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Tuesday, February 7, 1989, at 8:25 p.m.

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

Absent:  None

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

Re:  FY 1990 OPERATING BUDGET

Dr. Shoenberg moved and Mr. Goldensohn seconded a motion to adopt the FY 1990 Operating Budget in the amount of \$644,831,279, as amended by the superintendent.

Re:  ORGANIZATIONAL ADJUSTMENT AMENDMENTS TO  
      THE SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDED FY 90  
      OPERATING BUDGET

Dr. Shoenberg moved and Mr. Goldensohn seconded the following:

RESOLVED, That the MCPS organization structure and budget be amended to move the Department of Educational Accountability from the Office of Human Services and Accountability to the Office of the Superintendent; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the name of the Office of Human Services and Accountability be changed to the Office of Human Services; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the new coordinator of pupil personnel position be moved from the Office of Human Services to the Office of the Superintendent, and changed to State Budget Category 5 (Pupil Services); and be it further

RESOLVED, That one teacher specialist position (early childhood education) be deleted from the Department of Academic Skills and replaced with the position of coordinator, early childhood education; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the MCPS organization structure and budget be amended to move the Department of Staff Development from the Office of Instruction and Program Development to the Office of Human Services; and be it further

RESOLVED, That these changes become effective July 1, 1989.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE  
FY 1990 OPERATING BUDGET, ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOLS

Mr. Ewing moved and Mr. Goldensohn seconded that the FY 1990 Operating Budget be amended to add funds in the amount of \$201,510 to support additional all-day kindergartens at six schools, two in each area, two classes per school.

Re: A SUBSTITUTE MOTION BY DR. SHOENBERG  
TO AMEND THE FY 1990 OPERATING BUDGET,  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS (FAILED)

A substitute motion by Dr. Shoenberg to amend the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Elementary Schools, to add two all-day kindergarten programs at Goshen Elementary and Moyer Road Elementary in the amount of \$178,072 for teachers, materials, and rental of a portable classroom failed with (Mr. Park) and Dr. Shoenberg voting in the affirmative; Mr. Ewing voting in the negative; Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, Mr. Goldensohn, Mrs. Hobbs, and Mrs. Praisner abstaining.

Re: AN AMENDMENT TO MR. EWING'S MOTION TO  
AMEND THE FY 1990 OPERATING BUDGET,  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing to amend his motion on kindergarten classes to add \$348,442 to the FY 1990 Operating Budget to provide all-day kindergarten for all students desiring this program at six elementary schools failed with Mr. Ewing, Mr. Goldensohn, and Mrs. Hobbs voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, (Mr. Park), Mrs. Praisner, and Dr. Shoenberg abstaining.

RESOLUTION NO. 50-89 Re: A SUBSTITUTE MOTION TO AMEND THE FY 1990  
OPERATING BUDGET, ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

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

RESOLVED, That the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Elementary Schools, be amended to add \$174,221 to provide all-day kindergarten for three elementary schools, one in each administrative area.

RESOLUTION NO. 51-89 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1990 OPERATING  
BUDGET, ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

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

RESOLVED, That the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Elementary Schools, be amended to add \$27,223 for a Japanese language pilot.

Dr. Shoenberg assumed the chair.

RESOLUTION NO. 52-89      Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1990 OPERATING BUDGET, ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

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

RESOLVED, That the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Elementary Schools, be amended to add \$412,590 for ten additional elementary school counselors.

For the record, Mrs. DiFonzo stated that she was not opposed to the elementary counseling program or to the expansion of that program. She would have been willing to support a lesser increase. Mrs. Praisner and Dr. Shoenberg expressed their agreement with her remarks.

Dr. Cronin assumed the chair.

RESOLUTION NO. 53-89      Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1990 OPERATING BUDGET, TEACHER HIRING RATE

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

RESOLVED, That the FY 1990 Operating Budget be amended to add \$322,300 to increase the teacher hiring rate to BA5.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE  
FY 1990 OPERATING BUDGET, ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOLS

A motion by Mr. Ewing to amend the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Elementary Schools, by adding \$7,911,745 to reduce elementary class size grades 1-6 by an average of three students failed for lack of a second.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE  
FY 1990 OPERATING BUDGET, ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOLS (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing that the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Elementary Schools, be amended by adding \$2,416,623 to reduce elementary school class size by an average of one in grades 1-6 failed with Mr. Ewing, Mr. Goldensohn, and Mrs. Hobbs voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, (Mr. Park), Mrs. Praisner, and Dr. Shoenberg abstaining.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE  
FY 1990 OPERATING BUDGET, ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOLS (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing that the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Elementary Schools, be amended by adding \$1.9 million to reduce elementary school class size by .75 to .8 in grades 1-6 failed with Mr. Ewing, Mr. Goldensohn, and Mrs. Hobbs voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, (Mr. Park), Mrs. Praisner, and Dr. Shoenberg abstaining.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE  
FY 1990 OPERATING BUDGET, ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOLS (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing that the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Elementary Schools, be amended by adding \$1,508,466 to reduce elementary class sizes by one in all Chapter I schools, Chapter I eligible schools, and schools with an ESOL population of over 15 percent failed with Mr. Ewing, Mr. Goldensohn, and Mrs. Hobbs voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, (Mr. Park), Mrs. Praisner, and Dr. Shoenberg abstaining.

RESOLUTION NO. 54-89 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1990 OPERATING  
BUDGET, ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

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

RESOLVED, That the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Elementary Schools, be amended by the addition of \$169,318 to reduce class size average by one in all schools with a 15 percent ESOL population.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE  
FY 1990 OPERATING BUDGET, ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOLS (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing to amend the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Elementary Schools, by adding \$1,273,328 to fund improvements in the Blair Cluster elementary schools and to add a .5 teacher for Pine Crest Elementary failed with Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Hobbs, and (Mr. Park) voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, Mr. Goldensohn, Mrs. Praisner and Dr. Shoenberg abstaining.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE

FY 1990 OPERATING BUDGET, ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOLS (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing to amend the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Elementary Schools, by adding \$652,171 for the Blair Cluster to fund 5.0 magnet teachers, 5.0 QIE and teachers of the disadvantaged, 2.0 ESOL teachers, 5.3 classroom aides, \$47,087 of substitute time, and \$150,000 for door-to-door busing for pre-school to grade 1 magnet students in New Hampshire Estates failed with Mr. Ewing, Mr. Goldensohn, Mrs. Hobbs, and (Mr. Park) voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, Mrs. Praisner, and Dr. Shoenberg abstaining.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE  
FY 1990 OPERATING BUDGET, ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOLS (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing to amend the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Elementary Schools, in the amount of \$457,850 for 5.0 magnet teachers, 5.0 teachers for QIE and disadvantaged and \$150,000 for door-to-door busing for pre-school to grade 1 magnet students in New Hampshire Estates failed with Mr. Ewing, Mr. Goldensohn, Mrs. Hobbs, and (Mr. Park) voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, Mrs. Praisner, and Dr. Shoenberg abstaining.

RESOLUTION NO. 55-89 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1990 OPERATING  
BUDGET, ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

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

RESOLVED, That the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Elementary Schools, be amended to add \$307,850 for 5.0 magnet teachers and 5.0 teachers for the disadvantaged and QIE in the Blair Cluster.

\*Mrs. Praisner temporarily left the meeting.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE  
FY 1990 OPERATING BUDGET, ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOLS (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing to amend the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Elementary Schools, by adding \$24,245 for two six-hour aide positions for Forest Knolls Elementary School failed with Mr. Ewing, Mr. Goldensohn, Mrs. Hobbs, and (Mr. Park) voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, and Dr. Shoenberg abstaining.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE  
FY 1990 OPERATING BUDGET, ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOLS (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing to amend the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Elementary Schools, by adding \$12,122 for one six-hour aid position for Forest Knolls Elementary School failed with Mr. Ewing, Mr. Goldensohn, Mrs. Hobbs, and (Mr. Park) voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, and Dr. Shoenberg abstaining.

\*Mrs. Praisner rejoined the meeting at this point.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE  
FY 1990 OPERATING BUDGET, SENIOR HIGH  
SCHOOLS

Mr. Ewing moved and Mr. Goldensohn seconded by the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Senior High Schools, be amended to add \$15,000 for the Wheaton High School special ESOL center pilot. This item was postponed to February 14. The superintendent indicated that he was not sure he could provide a reaction to that proposal by February 14.

RESOLUTION NO. 56-89 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1990 OPERATING  
BUDGET, AREA OFFICES

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

RESOLVED, That the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Area Offices, be amended to add \$63,955 for one elementary supervisor for Area 3.

Re: A MOTION BY MRS. DiFONZO TO AMEND THE  
FY 1990 OPERATING BUDGET, AREA OFFICES

Mrs. DiFonzo moved and Mrs. Praisner seconded that the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Area Offices, be amended to add \$158,793 for three psychologist positions in the area offices as needed.

Re: A SUBSTITUTE MOTION BY MR. EWING TO  
AMEND THE FY 1990 OPERATING BUDGET,  
AREA OFFICES (FAILED)

A substitute motion by Mr. Ewing to amend the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Area Offices, to add \$317,586 for six psychologists positions in the area offices failed with Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Hobbs, and (Mr. Park) voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, Mr. Goldensohn, Mrs. Praisner, and Dr. Shoenberg abstaining.

RESOLUTION NO. 57-89 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1990 OPERATING  
BUDGET, AREA OFFICES

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

RESOLVED, That the FY 1990 Operating Budget be amended by adding \$158,793 for three psychologist positions in the area offices.

\*Mrs. Praisner temporarily left the meeting at this point.

Re: A MOTION BY MRS. HOBBS TO AMEND THE  
FY 1990 OPERATING BUDGET, AREA  
OFFICES (FAILED)

A motion by Mrs. Hobbs to amend the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Area Offices, by adding \$52,931 for one pupil personnel position failed with Mr. Ewing, Mr. Goldensohn, and Mrs. Hobbs voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, (Mr. Park), and Dr. Shoenberg abstaining.

RESOLUTION NO. 58-89 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1990 OPERATING  
BUDGET, AREA OFFICES

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

RESOLVED, That the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Area Offices, be amended by the addition of \$20,317 to add one office assistant position.

\*Mrs. Praisner rejoined the meeting at this point.

RESOLUTION NO. 59-89 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1990 OPERATING  
BUDGET, AREA OFFICES

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

RESOLVED, That the FY 1990 Operating Budget, Area Offices, be amended by the addition of \$4,500 for psychological testing materials.

For the record, Mrs. Praisner stated that she would have abstained on the motion to add a pupil personnel position and would have voted in favor of adding the office assistant position.

Re: ADJOURNMENT

The president adjourned the meeting at 10:50 p.m.

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PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY

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