The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Monday, May 20, 1991, at 7 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Blair G. Ewing, President in the Chair
Mrs. Frances Brenneman
Mr. David Chang*
Dr. Alan Cheung
Mrs. Sharon DiFonzo
Mrs. Carol Fanconi
Ms. Ana Sol Gutierrez
Mrs. Catherine E. Hobbs

Absent: None

Others Present: Dr. Paul L. Vance, Deputy Superintendent
Mr. Thomas S. Fess, Parliamentarian
Mr. Shervin Pishevar, Board Member-elect

#indicates student vote does not count. Four votes are needed for adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. 432-91 Re: BOARD AGENDA - MAY 20, 1991

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

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approve its agenda for May 20, 1991.

Re: ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. Ewing announced that Dr. Pitt was attending another meeting and had sent his regrets. Dr. Vance was acting as the superintendent.

*Mr. Chang joined the meeting at this point.

Re: STATEMENT FOR THE RECORD

Ms. Gutierrez made the following statement for the record regarding renegotiations:

"As a school Board member, I feel very, very sad that this is the action that we are forced to take today. I think that the issues that have brought us here unfortunately are not within the control of the Board of Education, and that to me means that there is something wrong with the process. The school system is definitely the diamond of Montgomery County, and when we have
come to the economic situation that the County has been faced with this year, I think that we need to look at the root causes. We need to point in the direction of those that are in control of defining the economic well-being of Montgomery County. We need to hold them accountable for making whatever necessary changes, making whatever decisions have to be made, whether they be new taxes, whether they reallocate funding, but I really think that it is a sad day when our school system is the one that has to have the greatest impact of an economic shortfall throughout the county. May it be a one and only time that this has to be done."

RESOLUTION NO. 433-91 Re: FUNDING OF AGREEMENT WITH MONTGOMERY COUNTY COUNCIL OF SUPPORTING SERVICES EMPLOYEES (MCCSSE)

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Ms. Gutierrez seconded by Mrs. Fanconi, the following resolution was adopted unanimously#:

WHEREAS, The Montgomery County Council has approved the Board of Education's FY 92 Operating Budget; and

WHEREAS, The County Council denied $42,740,607 of the Board of Education's request of $762,002,674 for FY 92; and

WHEREAS, This shortfall includes the County Council's reduction of $8,950,707 in the negotiated agreement with MCCSSE; and

WHEREAS, On May 14, 1991, the Board of Education and the superintendent of schools met in executive session to deliberate over these reductions; and

WHEREAS, The reductions in negotiated budget items necessitate renegotiations with MCCSSE before a final determination by the Board of Education can be made on its budget prior to July 1, 1991; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education, pursuant to Article 5, Section M of the parties' negotiated agreement, direct its chief negotiator to enter into renegotiations with MCCSSE.

RESOLUTION NO. 434-91 Re: FUNDING OF AGREEMENT WITH MONTGOMERY COUNTY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (MCEA)

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

WHEREAS, The Montgomery County Council has approved the Board of Education's FY 92 Operating Budget; and
WHEREAS, The County Council denied $42,740,607 of the Board of Education's request of $762,002,674 for FY 92; and

WHEREAS, This shortfall includes the County Council's reduction of $25,792,934 in the negotiated agreement with MCEA; and

WHEREAS, On May 14, 1991, the Board of Education and the superintendent of schools met in executive session to deliberate over these reductions; and

WHEREAS, The reductions in negotiated budget items necessitate renegotiations with MCEA before a final determination by the Board of Education can be made on its budget prior to July 1, 1991; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education, pursuant to Article 32, Section F of the parties' negotiated agreement, direct its chief negotiator to enter into renegotiations with MCEA.

RESOLUTION NO. 435-91 Re: ADJOURNMENT

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

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education adjourn this special meeting and proceed to a public hearing on the FY 1992 Operating Budget.

Re: PUBLIC HEARING - FY 1992 OPERATING BUDGET

The following individuals appeared before the Board of Education:

1. Bill Kraegel, Montgomery County Outdoor Education Association
2. Joe Howard, Individual
3. Dick Lipsky, Individual
4. Diane Kartalia, Individual
5. David Fishback, Gifted and Talented Association
6. Bruce Goldensohn, Individual
7. Michael Richman, Community Coalition for the Schools
8. Gene Thirolf, Committee to Safeguard our Services
9. Charlotte Chakan, Concerned Citizens for the Arts
10. Rick Wood, Fox Chapel Center for the Highly Gifted
11. Judy Borten, OSAE Advisory Committee
12. Ed Shirley, Secondary School Administrators
13. Michael Mason, Treatment and Learning Centers
14. Mark Simon, MCEA
15. Emilio Perche Rivas, Spanish Speaking Community
16. Vincent Foo and Nancy Bernard, MCCSSE
17. Linda Lang, Whitman Cluster
Re: ADJOURNMENT

The president adjourned the meeting at 10:15 p.m.

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PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY

PLV:mlw