The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Monday, June 1, 1992, at 7 p.m.

ROLL CALL  Present:  Mrs. Catherine Hobbs, President in the Chair
               Mrs. Frances Brenneman
               Dr. Alan Cheung
               Mrs. Sharon DiFonzo
               Mr. Blair G. Ewing
               Mrs. Carol Fanconi
               Ms. Ana Sol Gutierrez
               Mr. Shervin Pishevar

Absent: None

Others Present: Dr. Paul L. Vance, Superintendent
               Mrs. Katheryn W. Gemberling, Deputy
               Dr. H. Philip Rohr, Deputy
               Mr. Thomas S. Fess, Parliamentarian
               Mr. Jonathan Sims, Board Member-elect

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

Re: FORUM ON FY 1993 OPERATING BUDGET

Mrs. Hobbs welcomed participants to the forum and explained that they would have a brief overview of the budget situation from staff. Then participants would adjourn to five break-out rooms where they would have an opportunity to discuss their views and make suggestions on the budget process. The Board would reconvene with summary statements from the five groups which would be recorded in the minutes of this meeting.

Re: ISSUES RAISED BY FORUM PARTICIPANTS

Board members reported that the following issues had been raised by those participating in the forum (in no order):

1. Special Education cuts
2. Full-day Kindergarten
3. Vision and auditory supervision
4. Cuts in Category 2 - WOC, reading teachers
5. Teacher Salaries and Contract Negotiations
6. Music programs
7. Transportation
8. Magnet programs
9. Bridge Program
10. Staff Development
11. Non-recommended cut list
12. Art program
13. General cuts in instruction
14. Restructuring the administrative staff
15. Middle School concept
16. Special Education Proposal by Willey and Maloney
17. QIE programs
18. Summer School Transportation
19. Commission to Restructure Special Education
20. The Ficker Amendment
21. Taylor Learning Center
22. Gifted and Talented LD Programs
23. Special Education Inclusion

Re: RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MODIFICATIONS TO THE BUDGET

In addition, members reported that the following suggestions were submitted:

1. Use funds from area reductions for Category 2 programs
2. In schools with all-day kindergarten, have one class for the full-day and one class for a half-day
3. Ask parents to pay for all-day kindergarten
4. Change the way funds are allocated and how schools are evaluated for the all-day kindergarten program
5. Tell the County Council to give MCPS the MCEA funds to use for educational programs that were cut
6. Need for the Council to understand negotiations and fund contracts
7. Examine the alternative special education organization proposal submitted by Willey and Maloney
8. Cut Category 1 and request the Council to transfer funds to Category 2 (see #1 above)
9. Trade off EYE days for athletic directors, counselors, and football coaches for all-day kindergarten
10. Cut French and Spanish Immersion Programs
11. Look at the new requirement for math and science training for elementary school teachers
12. Use funds from the area office for Category 2 and 4 (see #1)
13. Find money from transportation to fund all-day kindergarten by locating special education programs where the children lived

Re: SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Mrs. Hobbs announced that a special meeting could be called by the president or the superintendent of schools. She was calling a special meeting to discuss alternatives and suggestions.
RESOLUTION NO. 383-92  Re: REQUEST TO COUNTY COUNCIL

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

Resolved, That the Board of Education request that the County Council allocate to the Montgomery County Board of Education budget the amount that was offered and not accepted by the Montgomery County Education Association.

Re: PROPOSAL ON SPECIAL EDUCATION ORGANIZATION

Mrs. Hobbs requested that the Board of Education receive an impact statement by Friday, June 5, on the special education proposal made by Mr. Willey and Mr. Maloney.

Re: ADJOURNMENT

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

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PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY

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