The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Tuesday, November 23, 1993, at 7:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Dr. Alan Cheung, President in the Chair*
Mr. Stephen Abrams
Ms. Carrie Baker
Mrs. Frances Brenneman
Mr. Blair G. Ewing
Mrs. Carol Fanconi
Mrs. Beatrice Gordon
Ms. Ana Sol Gutierrez

Absent: None

Others Present: Dr. Paul L. Vance, Superintendent
Mrs. Katheryn W. Gemberling, Deputy
Dr. H. Philip Rohr, Deputy
Mr. Thomas S. Fess, Parliamentarian

RESOLUTION NO. 839-93

Re: BOARD AGENDA - NOVEMBER 23, 1993

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Abrams seconded by Ms. Gutierrez, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve its agenda for November 23, 1993.

Re: FY 1995-2000 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM (CIP)

Mrs. Gordon moved and Mr. Abrams seconded the following:

WHEREAS, In accordance with the laws of the State of Maryland and Montgomery County, the superintendent of schools has prepared a recommended FY 1995 Capital Budget request and FY 1995-2000 Capital Improvements Program; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education conducted public hearings on November 17 and 18, 1993, on all capital and non-capital recommendations in the CIP; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education in adopting this CIP considered the implications of decisions on the Annual Growth Policy and is aware that the requested timing of space solutions enables all clusters to remain open to residential development; now therefore be it
Resolved, That the Board of Education approve the FY 1995 Capital Budget request totaling $71,913,000 as shown on the summary; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve the priority list for state-eligible projects in FY 1995 and the six-year Capital Improvements Program (FY 1995-2000).

*Dr. Cheung joined the meeting at this point.

RESOLUTION NO. 840-93 Re: YEAR-ROUND EDUCATION

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

Resolved, That the Board of Education adopt the following modification to the second bullet on year-round education:

Design a pilot for implementation that would operate on a year-round schedule supported by a staff/community advisory board and a control school(s) operating on a traditional schedule. Request state funding to support additional operating and initial capital costs associated with the pilot.

RESOLUTION NO. 841-93 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION ON THE FY 1995-2000 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM

On motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the Board of Education add the following Resolved clause to the CIP resolution:

Resolved, That the superintendent be directed to make every effort to raise additional funds to support pilot efforts in year-round education.

RESOLUTION NO. 842-93 Re: YEAR-ROUND EDUCATION

On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Mrs. Brenneman, the following resolution was adopted with Ms. Baker, Mrs. Brenneman, Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Fanconi, and Mrs. Gordon voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the negative:

Resolved, That the section on year-round education contain the following statement:

The pilot would be implemented only after public hearings, approval by the Board of Education, and the
presentation to the Board of a detailed plan that contained estimates of the dollars to be saved and the dollars to be invested with a net over a six-year period as well as an impact analysis which shows how this project might be expected to affect parents, students, teachers, and administrators and to improve the education of the students.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE CIP (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing to amend the CIP by adding two rooms to Forest Knolls and Montgomery Knolls failed with Mr. Ewing voting in the affirmative; Ms. Baker, Mrs. Brenneman, Dr. Cheung, Mrs. Fanconi, Mrs. Gordon, and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the negative; Mr. Abrams being temporarily absent.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. ABRAMS TO AMEND THE CIP

Mr. Abrams moved and Mrs. Brenneman seconded the following:

Resolved, That the capital improvements program be amended by adding enough money to the Blair project to have natural lighting in 80 percent of the classrooms in the amount of $26 million.

RESOLUTION NO. 843-93 Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND MR. ABRAMS' MOTION ON BLAIR HIGH SCHOOL

On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Ms. Gutierrez, the following resolution was adopted with Ms. Baker, Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Fanconi, and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Mrs. Brenneman, and Mrs. Gordon voting in the negative:

Resolved, That Mr. Abrams' motion on Blair High School be amended to add funds to provide for a building with 80 percent of the classrooms having windows in the amount of $26.6 million ($27,686,000 including inflation).

RESOLUTION NO. 844-93 Re: MONTGOMERY BLAIR HIGH SCHOOL, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM

On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Ms. Gutierrez, the following resolution was adopted with Mr. Abrams, Ms. Baker, Mrs. Brenneman, Dr. Cheung, Mrs. Fanconi, and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Gordon voting in the negative:

Resolved, That the Capital Improvements Program be amended to provide for a Montgomery Blair building with 80 percent of the classrooms having windows in the amount of $26.6 million ($27,686,000 including inflation).
It was agreed that the PDF would be changed to reflect that the Board recommend that the footprint be enlarged or the school be allowed to go with three floors in some areas in order to have natural light. The PDF would read that the estimate for that was $26.6 million, but this might vary depending on what variances were allowed. Mrs. Fanconi suggested they include a statement that the design committee would have more accurate figures.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. ABRAMS TO AMEND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM

Mr. Abrams moved and Mr. Ewing seconded the following:

Resolved, That the capital improvements program be amended to add $300,000 for planning for Glen Haven Elementary school in FY 1995–96.

RESOLUTION NO. 845-93 Re: A SUBSTITUTE MOTION TO AMEND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM

On motion of Mr. Abrams seconded by Mr. Ewing, the following resolution was adopted with Mr. Abrams, Ms. Baker, Mrs. Brenneman, Dr. Cheung, and Mr. Ewing voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Fanconi, Mrs. Gordon, and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the negative:

Resolved, That the capital improvements program be amended to add approximately $3 million for planning funds in for the fifth or sixth year for elementary and middle school renovations.

Re: RECESS

The Board recessed from 9 p.m. to 9:35 p.m. to consult with its attorney regarding an appeal.

RESOLUTION NO. 846-93 Re: CITY OF GAITHERSBURG AND ROSEMONT GYMNASIUM

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

Resolved, That the Board of Education authorize the system to discuss with the City of Gaithersburg options for funding the gym including but not limited to receiving planning money.

RESOLUTION NO. 847-93 Re: POOLESVILLE CLUSTER - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM

On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted with Mr. Abrams, Ms. Baker, Mrs.
Resolved, That the Capital Improvements Program be amended to add the language under Poolesville that either late in the six-year period or soon thereafter there may be a basis as a result of expected success of the program and some growth in the community for a separate middle school building.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM - WOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing to amend the Capital Improvements Program by making planning money available for Wood Middle School in FY 1996 failed with Mr. Abrams, Dr. Cheung, and Mr. Ewing voting in the affirmative; Ms. Baker, Mrs. Brenneman, Mrs. Fanconi, Mrs. Gordon, and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the negative.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. EWING TO AMEND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM - WOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Ewing to amend the Capital Improvements Program by making planning money available for Wood Middle School in FY 1997 failed for lack of a second.

RESOLUTION NO. 848-93 Re: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM - FLASHING LIGHTS FOR AUDITORY STUDENTS

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

Resolved, That a statement be included in the Capital Improvements Program that it is the sense of the Board that funds now scheduled for the installation of flashing red lights in five schools should be understood to be earmarked for that purpose and no other.

RESOLUTION NO. 849-93 Re: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM - DALY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

On motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the Capital Improvements Program be amended to add $40,000 for a portable bathroom unit for Daly Elementary.
A motion by Mr. Abrams to amend the Capital Improvements Program by adding a statement in the CIP that possible relief for Daly in 1996 could include assigning kindergarten to Fox Chapel or Rockwell and assigning the sixth grade to Seneca Valley MS #1 and allow students from 1994 and 1995 to complete eighth grade at Seneca Valley MS #1 before continuing on to Watkins Mill High School.

RESOLUTION NO. 850-93 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM - TRAVILAH ES

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

Resolved, That effective immediately the Travilah Oaks community be reassigned from Travilah Elementary School to Lakewood Elementary School.

It was agreed that this summer staff would look at the write-ups on special schools and projections for these schools and include more descriptive text.

It was agreed that the transmittal letter would include a list of items to which the Board would return in the spring.

Mrs. Fanconi moved and Mrs. Gordon seconded a motion to amend the Capital Improvements Program by adding $100,000 for PLAR.

RESOLUTION NO. 851-93 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO MRS. FANCONI'S MOTION ON PLAR

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

Resolved, That Mrs. Fanconi's motion be amended to add $200,000 for PLAR for FY 1995.

RESOLUTION NO. 852-93 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM - PLAR

On motion of Mrs. Fanconi seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:
Resolved, That the Capital Improvements Program be amended by adding $200,000 for PLAR for FY 1995.

Mr. Ewing requested information on what the cost of renovating Northwood for use as a middle school would have been.

Mrs. Fanconi assumed the chair.

RESOLUTION NO. 853-93 Re: AN AMENDMENT TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM - SECURITY

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

Resolved, That the Capital Improvements Program be amended by expediting the security system from FY 1995 to FY 1997 rather than from FY 1995 to FY 1998.

Dr. Cheung assumed the chair.

Ms. Gutierrez asked staff to look at the write-up for facility wiring for cable television because the write-up seemed to suggest some major investment in connectivity and networks that were not part of a total MCPS integrated technology approach.

RESOLUTION NO. 854-93 Re: UNMET CAPITAL BUDGET NEEDS

On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Mrs. Gordon, the following resolution was adopted with Ms. Baker, Mrs. Brenneman, Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Fanconi, Mrs. Gordon, and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams voting in the negative:

Resolved, That the Board of Education amend the CIP resolution to request the superintendent to develop as soon as possible a list of unmet needs for the capital budget to be transmitted to the County Council and the county executive at the earliest opportunity after approval by the Board.

RESOLUTION NO. 855-93 Re: FY 1995-2000 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM (CIP)

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

WHEREAS, In accordance with the laws of the State of Maryland and Montgomery County, the superintendent of schools has prepared a recommended FY 1995 Capital Budget request and FY 1995-2000 Capital Improvements Program; and
WHEREAS, The Board of Education conducted public hearings on November 17 and 18, 1993, on all capital and non-capital recommendations in the CIP; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education in adopting this CIP considered the implications of decisions on the Annual Growth Policy and is aware that the requested timing of space solutions enables all clusters to remain open to residential development; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve the FY 1995 Capital Budget request totaling $72,323,000 as shown on the summary; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve the priority list for state-eligible projects in FY 1995 and the six-year Capital Improvements Program (FY 1995-2000); and be it further

Resolved, That the superintendent be directed to make every effort to raise additional funds to support pilot efforts in year-round education; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education request the superintendent to develop as soon as possible a list of unmet needs for the capital budget to be transmitted to the County Council and the county executive at the earliest opportunity after approval by the Board.

RESOLUTION NO. 856-93    Re: ADJOURNMENT

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Abrams seconded by Ms. Baker, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the Board of Education adjourn its meeting at 11:10 p.m.

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PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY

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