The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on November 8, 1995, at 9:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL Present: Mrs. Beatrice B. Gordon, President in the Chair  
Mr. Stephen Abrams  
Dr. Alan Cheung  
Mr. Blair G. Ewing  
Mr. Reginald Felton  
Ms. Ana Sol Gutierrez  
Mrs. Nancy King  
Mr. Charles McCullough

Others Present: Dr. Paul L. Vance, Superintendent  
Mr. Larry A. Bowers, Acting Deputy

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

RESOLUTION NO. 729-95 Re: BOARD AGENDA - NOVEMBER 8, 1995

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Felton seconded by Mr. McCullough, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the Board of Education approves its agenda for November 8, 1995.

Re: FACILITIES ALTERNATIVES

Mrs. Gordon announced that the Board would review the capital budget cluster by cluster. It would take four votes (student vote does not count regarding facilities issues) to adopt an alternative and those alternatives would be shared with the community prior to the public hearings on November 20, and 21, 1995. The Board would take final action on November 28, 1995.

RESOLUTION NO. 730-95 Re: BOARD OF EDUCATION ALTERNATIVE FOR BETHESDA-CHEVY CHASE HIGH SCHOOL

On motion of Mr. Abrams seconded by Mr. Ewing, the following resolution was adopted with Mr. Abrams, Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Ms. Gutierrez, and Mrs. King voting in the affirmative; Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the negative.#

Resolved, That the Board of Education ask the superintendent to develop for the Board the following alternative to be before the public at the hearings:

To develop a plan and show the cost of accelerating by two years the modernization for Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School beginning in 1999 with a tentative completion date of 2001 with the caveat of a holding school being available.

Re: A MOTION BY MRS. GORDON ON A FACILITIES ALTERNATIVE FOR THE MONTGOMERY BLAIR CLUSTER (FAILED)
A motion by Mrs. Gordon, seconded by Mr. Felton, to develop an alternative to assign the students coming from Prince George's County portion of Takoma Park to the Montgomery Blair Cluster failed with Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, Ms. Gutierrez, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, and Mrs. King voting in the negative.

For the record, it is duly noted that if the student board member's vote counted, the motion would have passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 731-95 Re: BOARD OF EDUCATION ALTERNATIVE FOR NEW STUDENTS FROM TAKOMA PARK

On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Mr. Abrams, the following resolution was adopted with Mr. Abrams, Dr. Cheung, Mr. Ewing, Ms. Gutierrez, and Mrs. King voting in the affirmative; Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the negative:

Resolved, That the Board of Education ask the superintendent to develop an alternative:

To restate the language in the recommendations and elsewhere in the budget to reflect the actions that took place in the Takoma Park referendum of November 7, 1995, as well as Mr. Potter's decision regarding the Kay tract, and that the superintendent brings to the Board a recommendation in February about the placement of the students from Prince George's County. The Board thereafter will decide whether it wishes to have an advisory committee or hold public hearings or engage in some other process to obtain public views on the superintendent's recommendations.

RESOLUTION NO. 732-95 Re: CLUSTERS ADJACENT TO BLAIR CLUSTER

On motion of Mrs. Gordon seconded by Mr. Felton, the following resolution was adopted with Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon, Ms. Gutierrez, Mrs. King, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cheung and Mr. Ewing voting in the negative; Mr. Abrams abstaining.

Resolved, That the Board of Education ask the superintendent to include in the Capital Improvements Program document as follows:

To include language in the respective sections for all clusters that are adjacent to the Montgomery Blair Cluster that would indicate the possibility that the superintendent may recommend a boundary change, to accommodate the students from Takoma Park, that would involve those clusters.

Re: A MOTION BY MR. ABRAMS ON A FACILITIES ALTERNATIVE FOR THE SHERWOOD CLUSTER (FAILED)

A motion by Mr. Abrams to develop an alternative that reflects the need for planning an elementary school in the Sherwood Cluster starting in 1999 and that requests funding of the County Council failed with Mr. Abrams, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. King, and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cheung, Mr. Felton, Mrs. Gordon and Ms. Gutierrez voting in the negative.

RESOLUTION NO. 733-95 Re: BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION
On motion of Mr. Ewing seconded by Mr. McCullough, the following resolution was adopted with Mr. Abrams, Mr. Ewing, Ms. Gutierrez, Mrs. King and (Mr. McCullough) voting in the affirmative; Mr. Felton and Mrs. Gordon voting in the negative; Dr. Cheung abstaining.

Resolved, That the Board of Education ask the superintendent to develop for the Board the following alternative to be before the public at the hearings:

An alternative to the Wood Acres to Bannockburn elementary school boundary change that would reassign the area contiguous to the Bannockburn area that was the other option presented by the study committee.

RESOLUTION NO. 734-95  Re:  ADJOURNMENT

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Abrams seconded by Mr. McCullough, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:
Resolved, That the Board of Education adjourns its meeting at 11:35 p.m.

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PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY

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