The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Thursday, January 30, 1997, at 7:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL Present: Mr. Reginald M. Felton, President in the Chair
Dr. Alan Cheung
Mr. Blair G. Ewing
Mrs. Beatrice B. Gordon
Ms. Ana Sol Gutiérrez
Mrs. Nancy J. King
Ms. Mona M. Signer
Ms. Rachel A. Prager
Dr. Paul L. Vance, Secretary/Treasurer

Absent: None

Re: WORKSESSION ON FY 1998 OPERATING BUDGET

Board members asked the following questions during the worksession:

1. Provide information on participation in adult education for the past few years.

2. Provide the cost to staff Noyes to meet the state requirement for instruction. Could instructional assistants be used? How might we fund this?

3. Estimate, based on federal funding, what kind of growth we might be able to plan for in the adult basic education program.

4. What are the components of systemwide telephone services in the Office of Global Access Technology? What is the prospect for federal funding?

5. Submit a detailed workplan with a set of actions related to resources to address the Year 2000 problem.

6. Provide a description of support for First Class. What is the status of implementation of the Internet alternative and how it is factored into the budget?

7. Provide the current and new job descriptions for media specialists and media assistants.
8. What is the estimate of costs to increase programming on MCPS cable TV over weekends?

9. What is the distinction in duties of the instructional specialists between the K-12 budget and the Global Access budget?

10. What would be the part-time professional cost to return to the amount of time spent on investigations five years ago?

11. What has been the budget, showing disaggregated costs, for recruitment activities in the Division of Staffing over the past three years?

12. What technology support for document management is provided for the Department of Personnel Services, and what is its source?

13. What has been the impact of inflation on the maintenance budget since FY 1995? Provide the trends in service standards during that same period such as cost per foot and total square footage maintained.

14. What are the criteria for selecting schools for the possible expansion of the building services pilot program?

15. What would be the fiscal impact of transferring the duties and responsibilities of the ICB to MCPS?

16. How well are we staffed and equipped, and what is the workload, for the electronic security system?

17. Provide an update on CARTS savings in transportation.

18. What is the impact of enrollment growth, by levels, on the transportation budget?

19. What is the strategy to improve computer technology in materials management, and how is it reflected in the budget?

20. What would be the value today for restoration of the social security payment that was cut by the state in FY 1994?

21. What would be the outyear impact of a one year-50 percent reduction in the unfunded accrued liability payment?
Re: ADJOURNMENT

The president adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

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PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY

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