The Board of Education of Montgomery County met at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on June 23, 2008, at 6:10 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Nancy Navarro, President
in the Chair
Mr. Steve Abrams
Mr. Christopher Barclay
Ms. Shirley Brandman
Ms. Sharon Cox
Dr. Judy Docca
Ms. Quratul-Ann Malik, Student Board Member-elect
Mr. Ben Moskowitz
Mrs. Patricia O’Neill
Dr. Jerry Weast, Secretary/Treasurer

Absent: None

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

RESOLUTION NO. 230-08 Re: RESOLUTION FOR CLOSED SESSION

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

WHEREAS, The Board of Education of Montgomery County is authorized by the Education Article and State Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland to conduct certain meetings or portions of its meetings in closed sessions; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education of Montgomery County conduct a closed session on June 23, 2008, in Room 120 from 5:30 to 6:00 p.m.; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education of Montgomery County receive legal advice, as permitted under Section 10-508(a)(7) of the State Government Article; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education of Montgomery County discuss the Human Resources Appointments, as permitted under Section 10-508(a)(1) of the State Government Article; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education of Montgomery County dedicate part of the closed session on June 23, 2008, to acquit its administrative functions and to adjudicate and review appeals, which is a quasi-judicial function outside the purview of the Open Meetings Act under Section 10-503(a) of the State Government Article; and be it further
Resolved, That the meeting continue in closed session until the completion of business.

Re: PLEDGE

“I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.”

RESOLUTION NO. 231-08 Re: APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. O’Neill seconded by Ms. Brandman, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve its agenda for June 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION NO. 232-08 Re: RESOLUTION ON RECOGNITION OF MCPS–UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIPS

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. O’Neill seconded by Ms. Brandman, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Montgomery County Public Schools celebrates its commitment to work with local higher education institutions to bring the best possible professional development opportunities to our staff; and

WHEREAS, Montgomery County Public Schools recognizes and celebrates the 195 graduates of our 2007–2008 higher education partnerships; and

WHEREAS, Montgomery County Public Schools recognizes and celebrates the myriad programs that our higher education partners bring to our support staff and teachers; and

WHEREAS, These partnerships include programs that allow support staff to become teachers and earn bachelor’s and master’s degrees along with certification in special education, elementary education, and library media science; and

WHEREAS, Professional staff can earn master’s degrees and certification in special education, human development, administration and supervision, mathematics education, science education, gifted and talented education, instructional technology, and library media science; and

WHEREAS, Montgomery County Public Schools recognizes and celebrates the contributions of Bowie State University, Columbia Union College, Hood College, Johns Hopkins University, McDaniel College, Montgomery College, Towson University, George Washington University, University of Maryland at College Park, University of Maryland
University College, and University of Maryland Baltimore County to the professional development of our support and professional staff; and

WHEREAS, Montgomery County Public Schools recognizes and celebrates the 20th year of our Creative Initiatives in Teacher Education partnership with The University of Maryland at College Park; and

WHEREAS, This unique partnership program has allowed 117 paraeducators to earn a master’s degree in elementary education and become teachers, some progressing to work as instructional specialists and administrators in our public schools; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education is proud that Montgomery County Public Schools continues to partner with its local higher education institutions; now therefore be it

Resolved, That, on behalf of the superintendent of schools and all Montgomery County Public Schools staff members, the members of the Board of Education congratulate and recognize our higher education partners and their graduates for their contributions to the school system.

RESOLUTION NO. 233-08 Re: RESOLUTION ON RECOGNITION OF VIETNAMESE SCHOLARS

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

WHEREAS, The Maryland Vietnamese Mutual Association promotes the educational, economic, and social advancement of the Vietnamese American community while serving all immigrant communities; and

WHEREAS, The Maryland Vietnamese Mutual Association provides an opportunity to recognize and highlight the achievements of Vietnamese American students and the contributions they have made and continue to make to our schools and our communities; and

WHEREAS, The Maryland Vietnamese Mutual Association has recognized 78 Montgomery County Public Schools students for excellence in academic performance, leadership skills, and community involvement and awarded two $1,000 scholarships to Montgomery County Public Schools' students for outstanding academic achievement at its 20th Annual Academic Awards Ceremony held at Cabin John Regional Park on Sunday, May 18, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Montgomery County recognizes and celebrates the contributions of Vietnamese American students to our country, our state, and our county as members of a supportive, unified, and caring Vietnamese American community; and
WHEREAS, The Board of Education is proud that Montgomery County Public Schools continues to recognize the achievements of Vietnamese American students; now therefore be it

Resolved. That, on behalf of the superintendent of schools, staff, students, and parents of Montgomery County Public Schools, the members of the Board of Education congratulate the recipients of this year's Maryland Vietnamese Mutual Association academic awards and scholarships.

Re: PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following people testified before the Board of Education:

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<td>Arthur L. Williams</td>
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<td>Carderock Springs Elementary School Renovation</td>
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<td>Kay Romero</td>
<td>Transportation Policy</td>
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<td>Lyda Astrove</td>
<td>Richard Montgomery Artificial Turf</td>
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<td>John Smith</td>
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Re: BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Mr. Moskowitz noted that three Board members will be absent for the swearing-in ceremony on July 1, and he expressed his appreciation for the unique opportunity to serve as the Student Member of the Board, especially working on equity in education, achievement gap, and the Policy Committee.

Dr. Docca commented on her attendance at the MCAASP meeting with Mrs. O’Neill and Ms. Cox. She said there was a discussion on civility discussion, and she purchased books for everyone. Also, she commented on the Bridge to Excellence at MABE. Finally, Dr. Docca noted that 400 retirees were honored at a wonderful reception.

Ms. Cox commented on the graduations, and said they were exceptional and meaningful. She stated that Mr. Moskowitz was a relentless advocate for constituents, and she appreciated his contributions to the Board and committees.

Mrs. O’Neill commented on the Leadership Montgomery celebration and recognition, with scholarships given to five students. Mr. Moskowitz was one of the five students. She told Mr. Moskowitz how much she enjoyed serving with him since they had issues in common, and his focus to always make sure students’ voices were heard.

Ms. Brandman commented on food nutrition and the expanded sites for meals for students over the summer.
Dr. Weast stated that the educational facilities officer at Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School, Jeremy Wojdan, is the winner of this year’s Lt. John M. Queen Outstanding Service Award. The award was established in 2003 in Lt. Queen’s honor to recognize a member of the public safety community who has gone beyond the call of duty. Officer Wojdan has directed the Leadership Initiative since its inception, devoting hours and energy to planning leadership classes that explore the traits of successful people, coordinating homework help sessions, assisting with service learning projects, and getting partners on board to help with field trips and other recreation.

RESOLUTION NO. 234-08    Re:  CONTRACTS OF $25,000 OR MORE

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

WHEREAS, The Board of Education resolution approved on June 10, 2008, to acquire computers, associated hardware, and services through Bid No. USMSC 2007-12 needs to be amended to identify the financing company that is providing the lease of the equipment; and

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted for the purchase of equipment, supplies, and contractual services; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the acquisition of computers, associated hardware, and services from Dell Marketing, LP, under Bid No. USMSC 2007-12, through a four-year lease, and option to purchase with Dell Financial Services, be approved and the first payment in the amount of $5,000,000 be authorized; and be it further

Resolved, That having been duly advertised, the following contracts will be awarded to the low bidders meeting specifications as shown below:

1079.2 Financial Auditing Services—Extension

Awardee
Clifton Gunderson

$132,755

4182.1 Information Technology Research and Consulting—Extension

Awardee
Gartner, Inc.

$121,000

7123.2 Pest Control Materials—Extension

Awardee
J.C. Ehrlich Chemical Company, Inc.

$ 29,745
RESOLUTION NO. 235-08  Re: **AWARD OF CONTRACT—RICHARD MONTGOMERY HIGH SCHOOL ARTIFICIAL TURF INSTALLATION**

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

WHEREAS, On January 8, 2008, the Board of Education approved the artificial turf installation at the Richard Montgomery High School stadium field as a pilot project; and

WHEREAS, Montgomery County Public Schools is a member of the Association of Educational Purchasing Agencies; and

WHEREAS, The Association of Educational Purchasing Agencies has a contract with Atlas Track & Tennis for the installation of artificial turf fields; and

WHEREAS, To expedite the bidding process, the Department of Facilities Management has solicited a proposal from Atlas Track & Tennis based on the Association of Educational Purchasing Agencies bid; and

WHEREAS, Department of Facilities Management staff has reviewed the proposal and finds the cost reasonable for the scope of work; and

WHEREAS, Atlas Track & Tennis has completed similar work successfully for other jurisdictions; now therefore be it
Resolved, That a contract in the amount of $940,336 be awarded to Atlas Track & Tennis for the artificial turf installation at the Richard Montgomery High School stadium field, contingent upon receipt of the contribution by Maryland Soccer Enterprises, LLC.

RESOLUTION NO. 236-08 Re: RICHARD MONTGOMERY HIGH SCHOOL—STADIUM FIELD AGREEMENT

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

WHEREAS, The Board of Education approved a resolution to install artificial turf at Richard Montgomery High School at its meeting on January 8, 2008; and

WHEREAS, The Board also resolved at that meeting to accept a contribution from Maryland Soccer Enterprises, LLC, in the amount of $300,000 toward the installation of artificial turf, contingent upon Montgomery County Council approval; and

WHEREAS, The Montgomery County Council approved the acceptance of Maryland Soccer Enterprises' contribution and further approved a special appropriation in the amount of $300,000 on March 18, 2008, to provide the full funding for the installation of artificial turf; and

WHEREAS, Staff has negotiated an agreement with Maryland Soccer Enterprises, LLC, reviewed and approved by the Board’s attorneys, for a five-year term, that provides preferred scheduled use of the stadium field during non-school hours in exchange for its $300,000 contribution; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the president of the Board of Education and the superintendent of schools be authorized to execute the Richard Montgomery High School Stadium Field Agreement with Maryland Soccer Enterprises, LLC, for preferred scheduling of the stadium field during a term of five years, in exchange for a $300,000 contribution toward the installation of artificial turf.

Re: CARDEROCK SPRINGS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL—REQUEST FOR SCHOOL EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION TO FUND VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS DURING MODERNIZATION—POLICY CNE

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Abrams seconded by Ms. Cox, the following resolution was placed on the table:
WHEREAS, The construction for modernization of Carderock Springs Elementary School is scheduled to start in January 2009; and

WHEREAS, The Carderock Springs Elementary School Educational Foundation, Inc. has requested permission to raise funds for various improvements as a part of the school modernization; and

WHEREAS, These improvements will enhance community and school activities and will create facility features that enhance the aesthetics of the modernized facility; and

WHEREAS, Seven of these improvements need to be considered for approval by the Board of Education under Board Policy CNE, Facility Improvements That Are Not Funded with Montgomery County Revenues; and

WHEREAS, Similar types of requests have been granted previously; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve the request of the Carderock Springs Elementary School Educational Foundation, Inc. to raise funds for the following improvements:

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Resolved, That the improvements be designed as add-alternates to the project.

Re: AN AMENDMENT

On motion of Ms. Cox and seconded by Ms. Moskowitz, the following amendment failed, with Ms. Cox and Dr. Docca voting in the affirmative; Mr. Abrams, Mr. Barclay, Ms. Brandman, (Mr. Moskowitz), Mrs. Navarro, and Mrs. O'Neill voting in the negative:

Resolved, That the Board of Education amend to resolution to approve the amphitheater at the cost normally provided to schools and eliminate the terrazzo tile for the main entrance lobby.
RESOLUTION NO. 237-08  Re: CARDEROCK SPRINGS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL—REQUEST FOR SCHOOL EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION TO FUND VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS DURING MODERNIZATION—POLICY CNE

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. O’Neill seconded by Mr. Moskowitz, the following resolution was adopted with Mr. Abrams, Mr. Barclay, Ms. Brandman, (Mr. Moskowitz), Mrs. Navarro, and Mrs. O’Neill voting in the affirmative; Ms. Cox and Dr. Docca voting in the negative:

WHEREAS, The construction for modernization of Carderock Springs Elementary School is scheduled to start in January 2009; and

WHEREAS, The Carderock Springs Elementary School Educational Foundation, Inc. has requested permission to raise funds for various improvements as a part of the school modernization; and

WHEREAS, These improvements will enhance community and school activities and will create facility features that enhance the aesthetics of the modernized facility; and

WHEREAS, Seven of these improvements need to be considered for approval by the Board of Education under Board Policy CNE, Facility Improvements That Are Not Funded with Montgomery County Revenues; and

WHEREAS, Similar types of requests have been granted previously; now therefore be it

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<td>1. Habitat garden with seating for 35 students $ 17,000</td>
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<td>2. Exterior school sign with a message board 15,000</td>
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<td>3. Amphitheater at the rear of school 80,000</td>
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<td>4. Stone material for steps in front of main entrance 20,000</td>
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<td>5. Terrazzo tile for main entrance lobby 30,000</td>
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<td>6. Stone base for columns in front of main entrance and canopy along the bus loop 4,000</td>
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<td>7. Upgrade for sound and lighting systems on the stage within the multi-purpose room 15,000</td>
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Resolved, That the improvements be designed as add-alternates to the project.

RESOLUTION NO. 238-08 Re: AWARD OF CONTRACT—IMPROVED ACCESS TO SCHOOLS

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

WHEREAS, There is one Improved Access to Schools project to be completed during the summer of 2008; and

WHEREAS, To expedite the bidding process, the Department of Facilities Management has solicited prices from three contractors on bid with the Montgomery County Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, The low proposal is as follows:

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<th>Project</th>
<th>Contractor</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<td>Poolesville Elementary School</td>
<td>Highway and Safety Services, Inc.</td>
<td>$396,100</td>
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and

WHEREAS, Highway and Safety Services, Inc. is a Maryland-Department of Transportation-certified minority firm; and

WHEREAS, Highway and Safety Services, Inc. has completed similar work successfully for Montgomery County Public Schools; now therefore be it

Resolved, That a contract in the amount of $396,100 be awarded to Highway and Safety Services, Inc. for the Poolesville Elementary School Improved Access to Schools project, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by ADTEK Engineers, Inc.

RESOLUTION NO. 239-08 Re: CAPITAL PROJECTS TO BE CLOSED, EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2008

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

WHEREAS, The Board of Education annually closes capital projects and transfers any unencumbered balances to the unliquidated surplus account; and
WHEREAS, The Department of Facilities Management has reviewed capital projects that may be closed, effective June 30, 2008; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the capital construction projects listed below, subject to final audit, be closed, effective June 30, 2008, and any unencumbered balances be transferred to the unliquidated surplus account:

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<td>249002</td>
<td>Clarksburg High School</td>
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<td>304005</td>
<td>Broad Acres Elementary School</td>
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<td>336001</td>
<td>Little Bennett Elementary School</td>
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<td>340001</td>
<td>Great Seneca Creek Elementary School</td>
<td>263,404</td>
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<td>551008</td>
<td>Gaithersburg High School</td>
<td>115,413</td>
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<td>561002</td>
<td>Watkins Mill Elementary School</td>
<td>4,736</td>
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and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the county executive and County Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 240-08 Re: CONSULTANT APPOINTMENTS—ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR IMPROVED ACCESS AT VARIOUS SCHOOL SITES

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

WHEREAS, Funds are appropriated annually in the Capital Improvements Program to improve pedestrian and vehicular access at various school sites, both on a systemic basis and as individual needs become known; and

WHEREAS, Adtek Engineers, Inc.; Macris, Hendricks, and Glascock, P.A.; and Century Engineering, Inc. are currently under contract to perform consulting work for improved vehicular access projects and have agreed to extend their contracts to FY 2009 for the current fee schedules; and

WHEREAS, Staff has determined it is cost effective to have three firms available to provide consulting services for improved access projects; and

WHEREAS, A Consultant Selection committee, in accordance with procedures adopted by the Board of Education on April 20, 2006, selected these firms; now therefore be it
Resolved, That the Montgomery County Board of Education extend the contractual agreements with the engineering firms of Adtek Engineers, Inc.; Macris, Hendricks, and Glascock, P.A.; and Century Engineering, Inc. for a period of two years, to provide professional engineering services for improved access at various school sites as needs arise, with fees to be negotiated on an individual project basis, and individual contract awards approved by the Board.

RESOLUTION NO. 241-08  Re:  AWARD OF CONTRACT—SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR MCPS FACILITIES

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

WHEREAS, The Department of Facilities Management solicited proposals for a solar photovoltaic Power Purchase Agreement (PPA); and

WHEREAS, Sun Edison, LLC was selected as the successful contractor, based on a competitive process in compliance with applicable procurement requirements; and

WHEREAS, Sun Edison, LLC will install, own, and operate photovoltaic systems of a rated capacity of approximately 1.4 megawatts at Montgomery County Public Schools that are found to be suitable for installation of the photovoltaic systems; and

WHEREAS, The Power Purchase Agreement with Sun Edison, LLC will provide all of the benefits described above, including purchasing electricity at a significant discount resulting in $107,000 per year in cost avoidance; and

WHEREAS, The Power Purchase Agreement secures a stable source of electricity for approximately 1 percent of Montgomery County Public Schools requirements at a fixed price for 20 years; and

WHEREAS, Montgomery County Public Schools legal counsel has reviewed the Power Purchase Agreement and concludes that the Board of Education is authorized to execute the agreement with the inclusion of a non-appropriation clause; and

WHEREAS, Sun Edison, LLC is the leading provider of photovoltaic systems in the United States, with more than 60 megawatts of installed systems; and

WHEREAS, Sun Edison LLC will own, operate, and maintain the photovoltaic systems, with payment based on the metered performance of the systems; and
WHEREAS, Sun Edison, LLC has several satisfied customers with comparable installations, including the state of California, the City of San Diego, and Whole Foods; now therefore be it

Resolved, That a Power Purchase Agreement for electricity from solar photovoltaic systems, to be installed at approximately seven suitable schools, with a rated capacity of approximately 1.4 megawatts, in accordance with the Montgomery County Public Schools Request for Proposal and the Sun Edison, LLC proposal, be awarded to Sun Edison, LLC.

RESOLUTION NO. 242-08  Re: LEASE RENEWALS FOR RELOCATABLE CLASSROOMS WITH VANGUARD MODULAR BUILDING SYSTEMS

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

WHEREAS, The original leases will expire on 25 relocatable classrooms owned by Vanguard Modular Building Systems on June 30, 2008; and

WHEREAS, There is a continuing need for 23 of the 25 units for the next school year, while two units have been identified for return to the vendor; and

WHEREAS, Staff has negotiated a one-year renewal cost for the 23 units that are still needed, at an annual cost of $113,082, or an average cost of $4,916.61 per unit; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education authorize the superintendent of schools to execute renewal leases with Vanguard Modular Building Systems for a total one-year cost of $113,082.

RESOLUTION NO. 243-08  Re: UTILIZATION OF THE FY 2008 PROVISION FOR FUTURE SUPPORTED PROJECTS FUNDS

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

WHEREAS, The above-noted grants qualify for a transfer of appropriation from the Provision for Future Supported Projects, pursuant to the provisions of County Council Resolution No. 15-631, approved May 27, 2007; and

WHEREAS, The above-noted projects do not require any present or future county funds; and
WHEREAS, Sufficient appropriation is available, within the FY 2008 Provision for Future Supported Projects, to permit the above-noted transfers within state categories; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to receive and expend $2,178,532 within the FY 2008 Provision for Future Supported Projects, as specified below:

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<td>Strategies for Success</td>
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<td>Title I</td>
<td>403,444</td>
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<td>Title IV, Safe and Drug-free Schools</td>
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<td>Quality Teacher Incentive Program</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the county executive and County Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 244-08 Re: FY 2008 FOURTH QUARTER CATEGORY AND OBJECT TRANSFERS REQUEST

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

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to effect FY 2008 categorical transfers of $155,744 in the following categories:

**Transition From Laboratory to Classroom (TLC)**

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Vertically Integrated Partnership K–16 (VIPK-16) Project

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RESOLUTION NO. 245-08 Re: TUITION FOR NONRESIDENT STUDENTS

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

WHEREAS, Board of Education Resolution No. 328-04 establishes the basis for nonresident tuition charges and provides that the per-student cost shall be based on the current year’s estimated cost, including debt service; and

WHEREAS, The basis for the calculation of per-student cost for tuition purposes in FY 2009 is as follows:

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and

WHEREAS, The basis for the calculation of tuition for full-day kindergarten is the same as for elementary school students in Grades 1–5; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the tuition rates for nonresident students for the 2008–2009 school year will be as follows:

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* Rate may change to reflect the cost requirements of implementing the IEP.

RESOLUTION NO. 246-08 Re: HUMAN RESOURCES APPOINTMENT

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. O'Neill seconded by Ms. Brandman, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the following personnel appointment be approved, effective July 1, 2008:

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RESOLUTION NO. 247-08 Re: HUMAN RESOURCES APPOINTMENT

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

Resolved, That the following personnel appointment be approved, effective July 1, 2008:

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<td>Nelson McLeod</td>
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RESOLUTION NO. 248-08 Re: HUMAN RESOURCES APPOINTMENT

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. O'Neill seconded by Ms. Brandman, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the following personnel appointment be approved, effective July 1, 2008:
RESOLUTION NO. 249-08  Re:  HUMAN RESOURCES APPOINTMENT

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

Resolved, That the following personnel appointment be approved, effective June 24, 2008:

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RESOLUTION NO. 250-08  Re:  HUMAN RESOURCES APPOINTMENT

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

Resolved, That the following personnel appointment be approved, effective July 1, 2008:

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RESOLUTION NO. 251-08  Re:  HUMAN RESOURCES APPOINTMENT

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

Resolved, That the following personnel appointment be approved, effective July 1, 2008:

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RESOLUTION NO. 252-08  Re:  FINAL APPROVAL OF POLICY EEA, STUDENT TRANSPORTATION

On motion of the Policy Committee, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:
WHEREAS, Montgomery County Public Schools is committed to the safe, responsive, and accountable operation of the student transportation system, in partnership with parents and students; and

WHEREAS, The draft revision of Policy EEA, Student Transportation, was tentatively adopted by the Board of Education on March 11, 2008, and sent out for public comment; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education Policy Committee has considered comments from the public and recommended revisions to tentatively adopted Policy EEA, Student Transportation; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education has received the Board Policy Committee’s revised recommendation; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education adopt the revised Committee Recommended Draft 2 of Policy EEA, Student Transportation, which follows.

Student Transportation

A. PURPOSE

To establish safe, responsive, and accountable operation of the Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) student transportation system, in partnership with parents and students, and to delineate the services provided.

B. ISSUE

MCPS is authorized by the regulations of the state of Maryland to provide safe and efficient transportation to the students residing within Montgomery County. The Montgomery County Board of Education is responsible for establishing the operational expectations and eligible criteria for its student transportation services. It is the responsibility of the Montgomery County Board of Education to work with other agencies when needed and to consider the safety of students when designing school site plans, including pedestrian and vehicular traffic patterns; assessing routes for walking to and from school and school bus stops; and establishing bus routes and locations of school bus stops.

C. POSITION

1. Eligibility for Transportation
a) The Board of Education-adopted attendance areas for each school are the basis upon which transported areas are defined. Students attending their home school who reside beyond the distances defined below will receive transportation services.

(1) Transported areas surrounding MCPS schools are as follows:

- Elementary Schools—beyond 1 mile
- Middle Schools—beyond 1.5 miles
- High Schools—beyond 2.0 miles

(2) The superintendent of schools is authorized to extend these distances by one-tenth of a mile to establish a reasonable line of demarcation between transported and non-transported areas.

(3) Transportation may be provided for distances less than that authorized by Board policy if a condition is considered hazardous to the safety of students walking to or from school, or to establish a reasonable boundary consistent with the safety criteria outlined in C.2.

b) The Board of Education may establish transportation services for certain consortia schools, magnet, gifted and talented, International Baccalaureate, language immersion, alternative, or other programs based on the purposes of the programs, attendance areas, and available funding.

c) Enhanced levels of transportation services will be provided to those students, such as special education students, who meet the eligibility requirements of federal and state laws. Commercial carriers may be used to provide required services.

d) Students who attend denominational and parochial schools may be transported as specified under provisions of the Montgomery County Code. This service will be provided only on a space-available basis along established bus routes designed to serve public schools, in keeping with the terms and conditions as set forth in this policy.

e) Under special circumstances, students may ride established bus routes across attendance boundaries for valid educational reasons.

f) Mixed grade/age-level student loads are permitted.

g) Every effort is made to balance ride times and resources.
h) Buses may be used for educationally valuable purposes other than transporting students to and from the regular school day, such as field trips, extracurricular events, interscholastic sports, and outdoor education or academic programs. Unless otherwise approved by the superintendent or his or her designee, use of MCPS buses is limited to MCPS and other governmental agencies. MCPS will establish criteria and rates for the use of MCPS transportation services for purposes other than transporting students to and from school on the regular school day.

i) In exigent circumstances, the superintendent may apply to the Board of Education for a waiver to temporarily adjust transported distances. Board action on the waiver request can be taken after allowing at least 21 days for public comment following publication of the waiver request. If the Board deems an emergency exists, this notification provision may be waived without notice if all Board members are present and there is unanimous agreement.

2. Student Safety

a) MCPS is responsible for routing buses in a manner that maximizes safety and efficiency.

b) MCPS buses will not cross a main line railroad at grade crossing while in Montgomery County.

c) MCPS is responsible for designing traffic control patterns for new and renovated schools prior to the completion of construction. MCPS will assess the safety of proposed traffic control patterns, taking into consideration safe approaches by pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorists.

d) MCPS is responsible for conducting safety evaluations of bus stops and recommended walking routes. The following criteria will apply to students walking to schools or school bus stops:

1. Students are expected to walk in residential areas along and across streets, with or without sidewalks.

2. Students are expected to walk along primary roadways with sidewalks or shoulders of sufficient width to allow walking off the main road.

3. Middle and high school students are expected to cross all controlled intersections where traffic signals, lined crosswalks, or other traffic control devices are available.
(4) Elementary school students may be required to cross primary roadways where an adult crossing guard is present.

(5) Elementary and middle school students are not expected to cross main line railroad tracks, unless a pedestrian underpass, overpass or adult crossing guard is present.

(6) Students are expected to walk along public or private pathways or other pedestrian routes.

e) MCPS will follow an effective process for handling and investigating accidents so that injured students and staff are cared for promptly, further injury is prevented, and correct and timely information is disseminated to all necessary parties.

f) Student safety, security, and comfort depend on appropriate behavior on MCPS buses identical to that expected of students in school. The Board of Education affirms that, while riding the bus, students are on school property, and disciplinary infractions are handled in accordance with Regulation JFA-RA: Student Rights and Responsibilities and other related policies and regulations.

3. Community Partnerships

a) MCPS will encourage a partnership of students, parents, and school staff to teach and enforce safe transportation practices.

(1) MCPS will implement a systemwide outreach and education program to teach safe walking practices en route to and from school, encourage safe bus-riding behavior, and reinforce appropriate student conduct while riding the bus.

(2) School staffs will encourage parents to teach their students safe walking practices en route to and from school.

(3) Bus operators and attendants are responsible for maintaining safe conditions for students boarding, riding, and exiting the bus. MCPS will provide preservice and in-service instruction to bus operators and attendants, consistent with COMAR 13A.06.07.09.

(4) Parents will be responsible for their child’s safety along their walking route and at the bus stop. While waiting at bus stops, students should observe safe practices, respect persons and
private property, and stand well off the traveled portion of the road.

b) Principals and the leadership of parent teacher organizations (PTAs) at special programs located at special centers that operate in lieu of nationally affiliated PTAs will be notified in advance of routing changes that involve reductions of service, as described in Regulation EEA-RA.

4. Identification and Resolution of Transportation and Safety Issues

Members of the public are encouraged to address inquiries, concerns, or complaints regarding student transportation as set forth in Policy KLA, *Responding to Inquiries and Complaints from the Public*. Complaints not resolved through the cluster transportation supervisor or other department staff, including the director of transportation, may be appealed to the chief operating officer who will render a decision on behalf of the superintendent of schools, advising the appellant of the right to further appeal to the Board of Education consistent with the Education Article, *Annotated Code of Maryland*, Section 3-903(c).

5. Environmental and Economic Considerations

MCPS will balance environmental and economic factors when operating and maintaining its vehicles.

D. DESIRED OUTCOME

MCPS will have an efficient system of student transportation that provides an appropriate means of travel to and from school, is responsive to community input, and coordinates effective community participation in the safe movement of students on a daily basis, in partnership with parents and students.

E. IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES

The superintendent will develop regulations to implement this policy as needed.

F. REVIEW AND REPORTING

This policy will be reviewed on an ongoing basis, in accordance with the Board of Education policy review process.

** Mr. Abrams left the meeting at this point.
Re: SUSPENSIONS AND INTERVENTIONS

Dr. Weast invited the following people to the table: Dr. Lacey; Dr. Stetson; Ms. Collins; Ms. Virgie Barnes, parent, Albert Einstein HS; Ms. Rianne M. Webb, student, Richard Montgomery HS; Dr. Benjamin T. OuYang, principal, Parkland MS; Ms. Monifa Bellinger, assistant principal, Parkland MS; Mr. Tomas Rivera-Figueroa, assistant principal, Parkland MS; Ms. Donna M. Blaney, magnet coordinator, Parkland MS; Dr. Nelson McLeod II, principal; Newport Mill MS; Ms. Sarah S. Patterson, counselor, Newport Mill MS; Ms. Michelle Dagne, student, Newport Mill MS

The overrepresentation of African American and Hispanic students in suspension data is a national problem and, unfortunately, it is not a new phenomenon. This overrepresentation has plagued the country for decades and it remains a troubling issue for our state and our school system. It is an issue that we are working diligently to address because a child who is suspended is losing out on valuable instructional time in the classroom. Although the overall suspension rate in Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) is the fourth lowest in the state, we continue to see disturbing data about the disproportionate suspensions of African American and Hispanic students.

The Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) strategic plan, Our Call to Action: Pursuit of Excellence, clearly states that, “All schools will eliminate the disproportionate suspension rates of African American and Hispanic students.” To that end, we formed a multi-stakeholder group to study this issue and develop a comprehensive strategy to reduce the suspension rates of African American and Hispanic students.

The Disproportionate Suspension Rates Work Group has gathered extensive feedback from a diverse array of stakeholders, including administrators, students, parents, teachers, researchers, and community representatives. These stakeholders shared information about prevention and intervention strategies that are currently in place in various local schools. The group also has reviewed relevant literature and studied several prevention and intervention program models. Ultimately, the charge of this group is to produce a systemic road map that will allow us to successfully address this problem. The work group’s draft report includes recommendations in four areas: communication, cultural competencies, equitable practices, and relationships.

The work group has developed the following 10 specific recommendations to reduce suspensions. Each recommendation is designed to foster a positive environment without excluding students from learning opportunities. The recommendations fall into the four main areas mentioned earlier—cultural competence, equitable practices, relationships, and communication. These recommendations are currently in draft form. As part of the strategic planning process, they will be evaluated by system leadership, in collaboration with the MCPS employee associations. Some of the recommendations are already encompassed in the work we are doing on equity.
Recommendation #1: Ensure that suspension as a consequence is limited to behavior that is both disruptive and detrimental to the operation of the school (Maryland and MCPS regulations). This requires a two-pronged analysis of the situation—analyzing both the individual behavior and its effect on overall school operations. Both elements must be present to justify a suspension.

Recommendation #2: Identify clearly defined alternatives to out-of-school suspension. These alternatives must include opportunities for continuous learning. Practices such as the use of Friday afternoon detention can be used as an alternative to suspension. It is also important that students are supported in understanding the cause and effect of their behaviors. With this understanding, they are able to develop personal improvement plans. These plans have served as effective alternatives to suspension.

Recommendation #3: Utilize Functional Behavior Assessments (FBA) and Behavioral Intervention Plans for students who are considered at risk for suspension because of patterns of behavior that may lead to suspension. An FBA, which would be conducted for a student identified as at risk for suspension, identifies potential triggers and helps school staff and the student understand how to prevent problematic situations. As a result of an FBA, a Behavioral Intervention Plan may be developed to provide a structured way for the school and the student to mitigate inappropriate behaviors. The assessments and plans may serve as a means to intervene and develop strategies to help students remain in the classroom and at school.

Recommendation #4: Make sure that equity targets and action plans are integrated into school improvement plans. Equity targets, such as decreasing suspensions and their disproportionality, should be transparent and have appropriate actions for improvement in the plans.

Recommendation #5: Continue the process for establishing equity teams at central office and at local schools to lead, support, and monitor the equity targets. This is an outgrowth of MCPS’ work with Mr. Glenn Singleton and Courageous Conversations About Race: A Field Guide for Achieving Equity in Schools.

Recommendation #6: Engage parents and community stakeholders in partnerships to establish shared ownership for student success. The aim should be for parents and school staff to form a “circle of adults” to help students achieve.

Recommendation #7: Utilize the Studying Skillful Teacher principles to deliver a comprehensive professional development plan at each school, focusing on cultural competence, high expectations for all students, building positive relationships with students, and engaging students in rigorous instruction. The aim is to bring these skills to scale across the school system.
Recommendation #8: Increase focused training on disproportionate suspension in leadership development programs in the areas of behavior management, data analysis, decision-making processes and procedures, cultural sensitivity, proper investigative procedures, processes for students with disabilities, and classroom management techniques.

Recommendation #9: Systemize the following accountability structures for suspensions:
- Include suspensions as a data point for M-Stat
- Utilize the Office of School Performance’s Monitoring Tool as part of the supervision by community superintendents and directors of school performance to review individual schools and quad/quintcluster data on a regular basis at meetings with principals
- Conduct monthly monitoring and review of suspensions at each school
- Use Plan Do Study Act (PDSA) process for data review and planning

Recommendation #10: Increase district’s analyses of suspension rates disaggregated by incident type to determine what factors may need to be addressed around particular types of incidents.

As MCPS moves forward, it is imperative that the incipient success occurring in the district is nurtured and developed. Eliminating disproportionate suspension rates between White and Asian American students and African American and Hispanic students is an attainable goal. It is, however, not easily attainable. MCPS’ commitment to this goal is inherently linked to eliminating the achievement gap. The work to achieve these goals is rooted in the belief that all students can learn and achieve at high levels. In our effort to eliminate the achievement gap, MCPS continues to study race in order to increase the cultural competence of its staff members, and to apply equitable practices designed to increase student engagement. Eliminating the gap requires a commitment to improved practices, close monitoring of student data, and the belief that success in this area is inexorably dependent on culturally competent staff members committed to high-quality teaching and learning.

Re: DISCUSSION

Mr. Barclay was interested in looking at the “whys” and what makes a difference. However, he noted that the suspension rates increased over five years. He was troubled that middle schools had a higher suspension rate than high schools, based on MCPS data.

Mr. Barclay said he heard that there were differences in how teachers relate to students in middle school. If students are taught to deal with their frustrations, it will mitigate situations. Staff and students need the tools to work through inappropriate remarks or situations to prevent escalation to where a student would be suspended. Staff explained that it takes good relationships between those in the school to form a culture of respect.
Ms. Brandman inquired about the discretionary offenses and tools for students regarding disrespect, insubordination, and refusal to obey rules. Given the number of suspensions, she asked if there were areas where there is an alternative to suspension. Staff explained that there has been a decrease in suspensions based on the reform efforts; and the M-Stat process will allow staff to make data-driven decisions.

Ms. Brandman asked if there had been a targeted discussion about the African American and Hispanic students at the intersection with special education students. Staff replied that they always look at special education students to determine if the discipline procedures apply to those students as well as regular education students.

Ms. Cox pointed out that when there is evidence of inconsistency in discipline, that is evidence of institutional racism, since there is no other explanation. Ownership of the problem and understanding can change the belief and practices. However, there needs to be more specifics to guide school administrators, such as best practices.

Mrs. O'Neill pointed out that safety issues will always lead to a suspension. However, discretionary infractions could be dealt using alternative methods of behavior modification. Suspended students lose time in schools, and it becomes a revolving issue. With Middle School Reform, there is an opportunity for staff and administrators trained especially for adolescent learners.

Mr. Barclay would like to expand the discussion to include high schools.

Mrs. Navarro suggested that the Board forward questions to staff for response.

Dr. Docca thought the public needed to hear the questions on suspensions and the process. She was not convinced with the comparison of other Maryland counties; that did not persuade her. She was concerned about the gap in suspensions with African American and Latino students. She wanted to know who the parents were on the work group and how they were chosen. Furthermore, she wanted to hear from suspended students, because they could offer insights.

Mrs. Navarro thought it was important to schedule a follow up session on suspensions.

RESOLUTION NO. 253-08  Re: CLOSED SESSION RESOLUTION

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Ms. Brandman seconded by Mrs. O'Neill, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, The Board of Education of Montgomery County is authorized by the **Education Article** and **State Government Article** of the **Annotated Code of Maryland** to conduct certain meetings or portions of its meetings in closed sessions; now therefore be it
Resolved, That the Board of Education of Montgomery County conduct closed sessions on Tuesday, July 15, 2008, in Room 120 of the Carver Educational Services Center to meet from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. to discuss personnel matters, as permitted under Section 10-508(a)(1) of the State Government Article; consult with counsel to obtain legal advice, as permitted by Section 10-508(a)(7) of the State Government Article; review and adjudicate appeals in its quasi-judicial capacity; and discuss matters of an executive function outside the purview of the Open Meetings Act (Section 10-503(a) of the State Government Article); and be it further

Resolved, That such meetings shall continue in closed session until the completion of business.

RESOLUTION NO. 254-08  Re: REPORT OF CLOSED SESSIONS

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Ms. Brandman seconded by Mrs. O’Neill, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

On June 10, 2008, by unanimous vote of members present, the Board of Education voted to conduct closed sessions, as permitted under the Education Article § 4-107 and State Government Article § 10-501, et seq., of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

The Montgomery County Board of Education met in closed sessions on June 10, 2008, from 9:00 to 10:05 a.m. and 12:30 to 1:25 p.m. in Room 120 of the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, and did the following:

1. Reviewed and considered the following appeals with a subsequent vote in open session in its quasi-judicial capacity outside the purview of the Open Meetings Act (Section 10-503(a) of the State Government Article): T-2008-3, T-2008-6, T-2008-8, and 2008-10
2. Discussed the Human Resources Monthly Report and Appointments with a subsequent vote in open session, as permitted under Section 10-508(a)(1) of the State Government Article.
3. Received legal advice, as permitted under Section 10-508(a)(7) of the State Government Article.
4. Discussed matters of an administrative function outside the purview of the Open Meetings Act (Section 10-503(a) of the State Government Article).

In attendance at the closed sessions were Steve Abrams, Christopher Barclay, Eric Brousaides, Larry Bowers, Shirley Brandman, Patrick Clancy, Sharon Cox, Judy Docca, Brian Edwards, Roland Ikheloa, Suzann King, Don Kress, Frieda Lacey, Quratul-Ann Malik, Ben Moskowitz, Nancy Navarro, Patricia O’Neill, Glenda Rose, Laura Steinberg, and Jerry Weast.
On June 10, 2008, by unanimous vote of members present, the Board of Education voted to conduct a closed session, as permitted under the Education Article § 4-107 and State Government Article § 10-501, et seq., of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

The Montgomery County Board of Education met in a closed session on June 10, 2008, from 3:45 to 6:00 p.m. in Room 114 and 120 of the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, and considered Appeal 2007-70 in its quasi-judicial capacity outside the purview of the Open Meetings Act (Section 10-503(a) of the State Government Article).

In attendance at the closed session were Thomas Abbamonte, Steve Abrams, Christopher Barclay, Shirley Brandman, Eric Brousaides, Patrick Clancy, Sharon Cox, Judy Docca, Suzann King, Nancy Navarro, Quratul-Ann Malik, Ben Moskowitz, Patricia O'Neill, and a court reporter.

RESOLUTION NO. 255-08  Re: APPEALS

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Ms. Brandman seconded by Mrs. O'Neill, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, The Board of Education has met in closed session and deliberated on appeals brought before its members acting in its quasi-judicial capacity under Section 10-503(a) of the State Government Article; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education hereby decides the following appeals reflective of the Board members’ votes in closed session, the disposition of which will be recorded in the minutes of today’s meeting:

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RESOLUTION NO. 256-08  Re: APPOINTMENTS TO ADVISORY COMMITTEES

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Ms. Brandman seconded by Mrs. O'Neill, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, On January 13, 2004, the Montgomery County Collaboration Board for Career and Technology Education was established by the Board of Education; and
WHEREAS, On January 20, 2004, the Montgomery County Collaboration Board for Career and Technology Education was established by the Montgomery College Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, The Montgomery County Collaboration Board for Career and Technology Education is composed of a president, the nominees of the 11 Career Cluster Advisory Boards jointly appointed by Montgomery College and Montgomery County Public Schools, and one student member nominated by the president of Montgomery College and one student member nominated by the superintendent of schools; and

WHEREAS, The nominees of the Career Cluster Advisory Boards are its presidents, diverse in gender and ethnicity as a group, and all represent business/governmental agencies; and

WHEREAS, The membership of the Montgomery County Collaboration Board for Career and Technology Education, pursuant to the January 2004 resolutions that were revised and adopted in December 2006, is appointed jointly by the Board of Education and the Board of Trustees of Montgomery College; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education and the Board of Trustees made appointments to the Montgomery County Collaboration Board for Career and Technology Education in July 2007, for a one-year term, which expires this month; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the following individuals be appointed, subject to the concurrence of the Board of Trustees, to serve a one-year term, effective July 1, 2008, and ending June 30, 2009:

Arts, Humanities, Media, and Communications  Joseph Malouf
Biosciences, Health Science, and Medicine  Lisa McDonald
Business Management and Finance  Lawrence Rosenbaum
Construction and Development  Mark Drury
Education, Training, and Child Studies  Stewart Edelstein
Engineering, Scientific Research, and Manufacturing Technologies  Sanj Malushte and Jim Sturges
Environmental, Agricultural, and Natural Resources  Marie Chaves and Marshall Weston
Information Technologies  Dalila Bonilla Wortman and Carroll McGillin
Law, Government, Public Safety, and Administration  Gayle Driver
Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics  Harold Redden
MCPS student member  Shaunice Ellis
MC student member  Jeremy Ben-Zev

and be it further

RESOLUTION NO. 257-08  Re: FAMILY LIFE AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Ms. Brandman seconded by Mrs. O’Neill, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

WHEREAS, By Resolution 389-05, approved July 27, 2005, the Board of Education reconstituted the Citizens Advisory Committee for Family Life and Human Development to serve in an advisory capacity only, pursuant to COMAR 13A.04.18.03.D(1); and

WHEREAS, Among its 15 members are an MCPS high school student and another MCPS high school student representing the Montgomery County Region of the Maryland Association of Student Councils; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the following students be appointed to serve a one-year term, effective July 1, 2008, and ending June 30, 2009.

Brittney Johnson
Carlos Mejia

RESOLUTION NO. 258-08  Re: MINUTES

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Ms. Brandman seconded by Mrs. O’Neill, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve its meeting minutes for February 5, February 25, and March 11, 2008.

Re: NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

Re: ITEM OF INFORMATION

The following item was available:

Contract Awards for On-call HVAC Replacement Services and On-call Construction Services

RESOLUTION NO. 259-08  Re: ADJOURNMENT
On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. O’Neill seconded by Ms. Brandman, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by members present:

Resolved, That the Board of Education adjourn its meeting of June 23, 2008, at 9:45 p.m.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

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