

**Montgomery County Board of Education
Strategic Planning Committee**

The Board of Education Strategic Planning Committee met on Monday, May 2, 2005, at 9:00 a.m., in Room 120 at the Carver Educational Services Center in Rockville, Maryland.

In attendance were:

Mr. Gabe Romero, Chair
Mrs. Nancy Navarro, Member
Mrs. Patricia O'Neill, Member

Staff:

Mr. Larry Bowers, Chief Operating Officer
Mr. Dick Hawes, Director, Facilities Management
Mr. Joe Lavorgna, Director,
Mr. Bruce Crispell, Planner
Mr. George Margolies, Staff Director
Mrs. Roz Phillips, Administrative Secretary
Ms. Janice Turpin, Real Estate

Mr. Romero called the meeting to order at 9:17 a.m.

Discussion focused on the Montgomery County Master Plan and the impact it will have on MCPS school construction. Bruce Crispell explained that a 20-year plan indicates most housing plans are in the areas of Olney and Upper Rock Creek. Access land for future school buildings becomes a priority during housing construction planning but is difficult to plan what locations of land will be needed as Park and Planning cannot give a build-out number, and is depended upon what type of housing is actually constructed. As example; high-rise construction tends to produce low-yielding student population, where multi-structure developments produce more family dwellings which increases student population and new school construction.

Mr. Bowers stated that CIP recommendations from the superintendent to be presented in October 2005 with recommendations to deal with the 2-3,000 over-capacity issue and supporting the need to build more capacity elsewhere. Joe Lavorgna mentioned that land is expensive and preference would be to have more dedicated land. He believes that site support from the Planning Board is imperative. Ms. Turpin was requested to provide a list for the committee, cataloguing sites that have been turned over to the county/city with agreement to have land returned to MCPS if needed for future school construction.

Next Steps:

1. Planning for a fall meeting with Park and Planning to discuss impact of new construction.
2. Continued review of I-270 framework
3. Arrange next meeting end of June

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Roz Phillips
June 15, 2005

