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Rockville, Maryland  
November 6, 1989

The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Monday, November 6, 1989, at 8 p.m.

ROLL CALL Present: Dr. James E. Cronin, President  
in the Chair  
Mrs. Sharon DiFonzo  
Mr. Bruce A. Goldensohn  
Mrs. Catherine E. Hobbs  
Mrs. Marilyn J. Praisner  
Ms. Alison Serino  
Dr. Robert E. Shoenberg

Absent: Mr. Blair G. Ewing

Others Present: Dr. Harry Pitt, Superintendent of Schools  
Dr. Paul L. Vance, Deputy Superintendent  
Mr. Thomas S. Fess, Parliamentarian

#indicates student vote does not count and four votes are needed for adoption.

Re: ANNOUNCEMENT

Dr. Cronin announced that Mr. Ewing had sent his regrets. He was at work and would be unable to attend the meeting. Dr. Cronin explained that, by law, Ms. Serino's vote did not count on facilities issues; therefore, four votes would be needed for the adoption of a Board alternative to the facilities plan. Dr. Pitt indicated that the public hearings on the facilities plan would be held on November 16, 20, and 21. Board action would follow on November 28 and 29.

RESOLUTION NO. 631-89 Re: BOARD ALTERNATIVE - MAGRUDER CLUSTER

On motion of Mrs. Praisner seconded by Mr. Goldensohn, the following resolution was adopted with Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, Mr. Goldensohn, Mrs. Hobbs, Mrs. Praisner, and (Ms. Serino) voting in the affirmative; Dr. Shoenberg voting in the negative#:

RESOLVED, That the superintendent provide the following Board alternative:

That the Camp Hill Square and Emory Village Apartments, currently assigned to Candlewood Elementary school, be reassigned to Bowie Mill Elementary School with the neighboring communities along Route 124 up to and including Willow Creek Apartments and townhouses on Spiceberry Circle, (the community committee recommendation).

RESOLUTION NO. 632-89 Re: BOARD ALTERNATIVE - QUINCE ORCHARD CLUSTER

On motion of Mr. Goldensohn seconded by Mrs. DiFonzo, the following resolution was adopted unanimously#:

RESOLVED, That the superintendent provide the following Board

alternative:

Continue assignment of Stockton Town West to Fields Road Elementary School and reassign Washingtonian Woods to Kentlands Elementary School as a swap.

RESOLUTION NO. 633-89 Re: BOARD ALTERNATIVE - SENECA VALLEY CLUSTER

On motion of Mr. Goldensohn seconded by Ms. Serino, the following resolution was adopted with Dr. Cronin, Mrs. DiFonzo, Mr. Goldensohn, Mrs. Hobbs, and (Ms. Serino) voting in the affirmative; Mrs. Praisner and Dr. Shoenberg voting in the negative:

RESOLVED, That the superintendent provide the following Board alternative:

Assign the adjacent area south of Clopper Road petitioning to stay in Clopper Mill Elementary School to Clopper Mill and assign Seneca Forest and a small triangular portion adjacent to that community to Germantown Elementary School.

Re: REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION ON FACILITIES PLAN

1. Mrs. Praisner suggested that the cover letter on the capital budget be rewritten to explain that Montgomery County's eligibility was 50 percent of the state-eligible portion of projects and not 50 percent of the project. It was half of what the state agreed to pay.
2. Mrs. Praisner suggested that they had to be clear on the agreed-upon capacity of the middle school and how designs accommodated and supported the idea of the middle school.
3. Mrs. Praisner asked for a list showing which elementary schools did and did not have gymnasiums. She suggested that in the future staff might want to include this in the statistics about the individual school.
4. Mr. Goldensohn asked staff to check into why the students on the west side of Clopper were still being bused to Clopper Mill when a crossing light had been installed.
5. Dr. Cronin asked when the Board took action on facilities that it be reminded about the timing of the middle school conversion in the Seneca Valley and Watkins Mill clusters.
6. Board members asked staff to provide additional information in the spring about relief for Farmland Elementary School through a boundary change with Luxmanor Elementary School as early as September

1990. The Board will revisit this issue in the spring.

7. Dr. Cronin asked staff to respond to Wyngate's question about the traffic pattern.

8. Mrs. Praisner requested a list of schools whose modernizations had been reevaluated and accelerated or changed in the CIP schedule.

9. Dr. Shoenberg asked staff to look at the modernization of Takoma Park IS to see if staff, through PLAR, could do major pieces such as the roof prior to the renovation.

10. Mrs. Praisner pointed out that Spencerville should be removed from the list of future sites on page 5-15 in the CIP.

11. Dr. Shoenberg requested information on the number of students projected for Stratford Woods for 91-95. Mrs. DiFonzo asked that they look at projections from last year versus this year's actual enrollment. She also requested that staff provide the same information for Shaw Avenue.

12. Mrs. Praisner requested that the Board be provided with information on the pilot project on ceiling fans as well as the basis for the notation that the project was a success.

13. Mrs. Praisner asked for assurances that the staff was looking at the outside lighting when they modernized schools.

14. Mrs. Praisner requested a list and a description of the health room upgrades and asked if they were relocating rooms or just upgrading them.

15. Dr. Pitt suggested that the letter from Mr. Kendal describing the rationale for including renovations of holding schools in the school system's budget rather than the county budget be included in the capital budget.

16. Dr. Cronin asked staff to check into problems with the cable television system for the CESC.

Re: ADJOURNMENT

The president adjourned the meeting at 11:55 p.m.

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PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY

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