Rockville, Maryland November 16, 1989

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The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Thursday, November 16, 1989, at 7:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL Present: Dr. James E. Cronin, President

in the Chair

Mrs. Sharon DiFonzo Mr. Blair G. Ewing Mr. Bruce A. Goldensohn Mrs. Catherine E. Hobbs Mrs. Marilyn J. Praisner

Ms. Alison Serino

Dr. Robert E. Shoenberg

Absent: None

Others Present: Dr. Harry Pitt, Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Paul L. Vance, Deputy Superintendent

Re: MUNICIPALITIES, COUNTYWIDE

ORGANIZATIONS, AND CIVIC ASSOCIATIONS

The following individuals appeared before the Board:

1. Councilman Sidney Katz, City of Gaithersburg

- 2. JoAnn Bowes, Quince Orchard Knolls
- 3. Dennis Luther, Stockton Towne West
- 4. William Price, Monocacy Lions Club
- 5. Jon Chisholm, Poolesville Chamber of Commerce
- 6. Rand Gelber, Washingtonian Woods
- 7. Nancy Record, North Creek Condo Association

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Mrs. Praisner asked staff to provide information on the cost of the standard-sized gymnasium for Summit Hall Elementary School.

Re: WOOTTON CLUSTER

Brad Roth, Lakewood PTA, and Alan Schoem, cluster coordinator, appeared before the Board.

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Mr. Goldensohn asked staff to talk with the City of Rockville to see if improvements to Ritchie Parkway could be advanced on their construction schedule. Mrs. Praisner requested information on the undeveloped land at the corner of Falls Road and Montrose. The information should include the potential development of that tract, its school assignment, and the potential impact of development on school enrollment. Mrs. Praisner also asked about services at

Lakewood if the gifted and talented program were removed from that school. She asked about services that were associated with the gifted and talented program (absent teachers assigned to the program). Dr. Cronin asked staff to look into issues raised by the community in regard to the roof, mold and mildew, ceiling tile, and aluminum siding at DuFief Elementary School.

Re: WATKINS MILL CLUSTER

Mr. Frederic Wood, cluster coordinator, appeared before the Board.

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Mrs. Praisner asked for changes in the capital budget if the Montgomery Village modernization moved forward to occupancy in September, 1993 and for a list of renovated schools such as Rock Creek Forest where the school building had not been air-conditioned during the renovation. Dr. Cronin asked staff to look into the parking lot situation at Stedwick Elementary School.

Re: SENECA VALLEY CLUSTER

The following individuals appeared before the Board:

- 1. Nancy Loew, cluster coordinator
- 2. Kay Cormier, Waters Landing PTA
- 3. Robin Dulli, McAuliffe PTA
- 4. Kathleen Lee, Williamsburg Square
- 5. Dale Fry, Seneca Forest

Re: QUINCE ORCHARD CLUSTER

The following individuals appeared before the Board:

- 1. Nancy Rea, co-cluster coordinator
- 2. Paul Brunstein, Fields Road PTA
- 3. Paula Fitzpatrick, co-cluster coordinator

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

In regard to Shady Grove Village, Mr. Goldensohn asked about the percentage of the units that were rented. He also inquired about mobility rates for townhouses in the Shady Grove area.

Re: POOLESVILLE CLUSTER

Tookie Gentilcore and Linda Cates appeared before the Board of Education.

Re: MAGRUDER CLUSTER

Jane Martin, cluster coordinator, appeared before the Board of Education.

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Mrs. Praisner requested staff reactions to Mrs. Martin's comments on Hopewell Middle School. If they were to assign the school only to Sherwood, she asked about the numbers of portables needed at Redland and whether the core at Redland or the site could accommodate those numbers of portables.

In regard to area reorganization, Mrs. Praisner requested a history of the assignment of schools when they had five areas and when they had six areas.

Re: GAITHERSBURG CLUSTER

The following individuals appeared before the Board of Education:

- 1. Beth Rydzewski, cluster coordinator
- 2. Eileen Shea, Summit Hall PTA
- 3. Kathy Centeno, Rosemont PTA

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Mrs. Praisner asked for staff reactions to the interim housing proposals submitted by Rosemont Elementary School.

Re: DAMASCUS CLUSTER

The following individuals appeared before the Board of Education:

- 1. Shelly Connelly, Clarksburg PTA
- 2. Trish Irwin, Baker IS
- 3. Nancy Little, cluster coordinator

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Mrs. Praisner inquired about the prospect of moving up the cafeteria work at Damascus High School. Mrs. Praisner and Dr. Cronin asked for information on amending the capital budget to include planning money for middle school conversion in the Damascus Cluster.

In regard to the assignment of the Center for the Highly Gifted to Fox Chapel, Dr. Cronin asked for staff reaction to effects on the movement of these students.

Re: ADJOURNMENT

The president adjourned the meeting at 11:05 p.m.

PRESIDENT	
SECRETARY	