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The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Monday, November 19, 1990, at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL Present: Dr. Robert E. Shoenberg, President

in the Chair Mr. David Chang

Dr. James E. Cronin Mrs. Sharon DiFonzo Mr. Blair G. Ewing

Mr. Bruce A. Goldensohn Mrs. Catherine E. Hobbs Mrs. Marilyn J. Praisner

Absent: None

Others Present: Dr. Harry Pitt, Superintendent

Dr. Paul L. Vance, Deputy Superintendent

Mr. Thomas S. Fess, Parliamentarian Mrs. Frances Brenneman, Board Member-

elect

Dr. Alan Cheung, Board Member-elect Mrs. Carol Fanconi, Board Member-elect Ms. Ana Sol Gutierrez, Board Member-

elect

Re: MUNICIPALITIES, COUNTYWIDE ORGANIZATIONS, AND CIVIC

ASSOCIATIONS

The following individuals appeared before the Board:

- 1. Catherine Copp, North Woodley Gardens Civic Association
- 2. Frank Lindh, Sligo Branview Community Association
- 3. Barbara Klein, Seven Oaks-Evanswood Neighborhood Association
- 4. Michael Pfetsch, Woodmoor Pinecrest Civic Association
- 5. Anne Moore, Language Immersion for Tomorrow (LIFT)
- 6. Jeremy Harris, Connecticut Avenue/Greenwood Knolls
 Association
- 7. Nanine Meiklejohn, Garrett Park Citizens Association
- 8. Steve Krasnow, New Mark Commons Homes Association
- 9. Al Bellman, Montgomery County Mathematics Teachers Association

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

1. In regard to the Garrett Park testimony, Dr. Cronin asked staff to provide responses to the issues raised on pages 2 and 3 including conference rooms, computer labs, etc. Mr. Goldensohn asked staff to provide a report on the adequacy of the core

facilities at Oak View Elementary School. Mrs. Hobbs asked about

where students went to secondary school after completing the French Immersion Program at Oak View.

Re: BETHESDA-CHEVY CHASE CLUSTER

Linna Barnes and Mary Lou McGee, cluster coordinators, appeared before the Board.

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Mr. Ewing requested staff to respond to the series of requests for assurances to community about what the Board would do in facilities and program. He hoped that these assurance would be incorporated in the final action taken by the Board. He asked if there were any of those requests in the testimony and back-up material that staff could not accepted.

Re: ALBERT EINSTEIN CLUSTER

The following individuals appeared before the Board:

- 1. Judy Treanor, cluster coordinator
- 2. Margaret Hammar, Einstein HS PTSA
- 3. Martine Baker, Oakland Terrace ES PTA
- 4. Mark Gudnason, Rock View ES PTA
- 5. John Finklea, Glen Haven ES PTA

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Dr. Cronin asked that the staff provide cost information about moving Rock View ahead in the schedule one year and house the school at Grosvenor. He also asked for a paper on the scope of the previous modernization at Glen Haven. Mr. Ewing requested the most recent assessment on the condition of Glen Haven and its rating. Mrs. Praisner asked for a paper showing what assurances and expectations they had for meeting the Einstein community needs. Dr. Shoenberg requested more detailed information on why there was such certainty that a magnet was required at a third middle school in the Blair cluster.

Re: WALT WHITMAN CLUSTER

Linda Lang, cluster coordinator, appeared before the Board.

Re: WALTER JOHNSON CLUSTER

The following individuals appeared before the Board:

- 1. Carole Gelfeld, cluster coordinator
- 2. Bill Fuentevilla, Kensington-Parkwood ES PTA
- 3. Thomas Schick, Farmland ES PTA
- 4. Karen Lieberman, Luxmanor ES PTA
- 5. Susan Olson, Ashburton ES PTA
- 6. Beryl Blecher, Garrett Park ES PTA
- 7. Karen Kraley, Wyngate ES PTA

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Mrs. Praisner requested the latest information on leased/closed schools from the standpoint of the status of the leases so the Board would know the earliest timeframe in which facilities might be available to the school system. Mr. Ewing asked about the possibility of updating their projections in the spring before the Council took its final vote on the capital budget. Dr. Pitt agreed that they would keep an eye on projections and provide the Board with some interim feedback this year. Mrs. Praisner suggested that when they revised the projections they make note of the effect that might have on capital projects and communicate that information to the County Council along with implications In regard to closed schools, Mrs. Fanconi for the PDF's. requested information on where they were, who owned them, what they were being used for, modifications in leased schools that would impact on their use as a school, the timetable for the renewals of the leases, and the condition of the buildings.

Re: MONTGOMERY BLAIR CLUSTER

Barbara Henry and Sandy Nakamura, cluster coordinators, appeared before the Board.

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Mr. Ewing asked for a staff reaction to the requests of the East Silver Spring community for PLAR funds for that school. Dr. Shoenberg requested staff to respond to the questions raised in the first two pages of the Blair "red book." Dr. Cronin asked for a staff response to the eight questions listed on the second page of the report. Dr. Cronin asked for an assessment of the handicapped access at North Lake for the Forest Knolls students.

Re: WINSTON CHURCHILL CLUSTER

Jean Kaufman, cluster coordinator, appeared before the Board.

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Mrs. Praisner asked for information on whether it was appropriate for Churchill to pay for dirt for their fields out of their operating expenses.

Re: RICHARD MONTGOMERY CLUSTER

The following individuals appeared before the Board:

- 1. Linda Burgin, Richard Montgomery HS PTSA and Julius West MS
- 2. Gene Thirolf, Beall ES PTA
- 3. George Margolies, College Gardens ES PTA
- 4. Jim Bortz, Ritchie Park ES PTA
- 5. Dede Pew, Twinbrook ES PTA

Re: QUINCE ORCHARD CLUSTER

Paula Fitzpatrick, cluster co-coordinator, appeared before the Board.

Re: ROCKVILLE CLUSTER

Marlie Suarez, cluster coordinator, appeared before the Board.

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Mr. Ewing asked that they make an effort to provide a stronger statement on the need to air condition computer labs. He requested staff to provide a response to the option suggested for providing flashing fire alarms for hearing-impaired students in the cluster.

Re: THOMAS WOOTTON CLUSTER

Walter Lange, cluster coordinator, and Robbie Milberg, Travilah ES PTA, appeared before the Board.

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

It was decided that there should be a formal request from the Board for sewer service for Travilah Elementary School. Mrs. Praisner asked that the Board be provided with copies of the communications from WSSC.

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The president adjourned the meeting at 11:45 p.m.

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