



States high schools; and

WHEREAS, One hundred thirty-four seniors from twenty-one Montgomery County public high schools are among this year's semifinalists; and

\*Dr. Greenblatt joined the meeting at a later time.

WHEREAS, Thirteen students from nine Montgomery County public high schools have been named semifinalists in the National Achievement Scholarship Program for Outstanding Negro Students; and

WHEREAS, The achievements of these students have brought honor to themselves, their families, their teachers, and the Montgomery County Public Schools; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Montgomery County Board of Education, on behalf of the school system staff and the citizens of Montgomery County, extends to each of the students named who are semifinalists in the 1983 National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Examination or the National Achievement Scholarship Program for Outstanding Negro Students, sincere congratulations and its best wishes for future personal and academic success; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution shall be presented to each of the students honored:

Abraham, Audrey M.	Bethesda-Chevy Chase
Adler, Charles L.	John F. Kennedy
Bailey, Roberta L.	Zadok Magruder
Barnett, Carol	Springbrook
Bartfeld, Judith S.	Walt Whitman
Bartlett, Rebekah E.	Walter Johnson
Bernstein, Johanna R.	Winston Churchill
Billick, Kurt C.	Walt Whitman
Bohrer, Vonda K.	Paint Branch
Boris, Jeffrey R.	Winston Churchill
Brandhorst, Tristan T.	Rockville
Bucher, Amy E.	Thomas Wootton
Camp, Walter T.	Springbrook
Capps, Randy C.	Walt Whitman
Chang, Helena M.	Thomas Wootton
Chu, Philip W.	Albert Einstein
Cobb, Paul W.	Zadok Magruder
Cole, Richard F.	Sherwood
Cosca, Theresa A.	Zadok Magruder
Covell, Lauren M.	Paint Branch
DaSilva, James A.	Bethesda-Chevy Chase
Davidson, Ellen B.	Northwood
Deitz, Richard A.	Springbrook
Dighe, Ranjit S.	Walter Johnson
Dixon, Katherine A.	Walter Johnson
Dominitz, Jason A.	Winston Churchill
Dworkin, Morris J.	Albert Einstein
Earley, Aaron D.	Zadok Magruder

Finkelstein, Shari R.  
Flaherty, Christine E.  
Fritz, Daniel J.  
Garlow, Kevin R.  
Gauzza, Eric K.  
Goehring, David G.  
Goldenberg, Matthew A.  
Goldsmith, Charles F.  
Goldsmith, John V.  
Gonano, Gina M.  
Granik, David M.  
Greene, Steven B.  
Greenspun, Harry G.  
Halpern, Nancy E.  
Hammer, David H.  
Harris, Stacy L.  
Hassler, Harriet C.  
Havlicek, John W.  
Hillard, Michael K.  
Hoffler, John R.  
Houck, Adelaide, A.  
Hsu, Cindy L.  
Hwangbo, Kay  
Ikari, Carolyn A.  
Isaacson, Nicole F.  
James, Charles M.  
Johnson, Cheryl M.  
Johnson, Yeva M.  
Joseph, Bernard A.  
Kalb, Judith E.  
Kanhouwa, Neera  
Kaplan, Jay H.  
Kaushik, Sandeep  
Keith, Melissa A.  
Kienstra, William G.  
King, Stephen C.  
Kleppner, Bram  
Klubes, Benjamin B.  
Kuldell, Scott B.  
Lee, James C.  
Lee, Jean H.  
Lide, James H.  
Loeb, David M.  
Lowenthal, Linda C.  
Mahmood, Umar  
Mallet, William G.  
Margolis, Daniel A.  
Martin, Kathryn A.  
Matcho, Mark D.  
McCutcheon, John W.  
McKelvie, Lisa K.  
Melnik, Martha S.  
Metz, Ricardo  
Meyer, Jason S.

Walt Whitman  
Walt Whitman  
Rockville  
Damascus  
Northwood  
Gaithersburg  
Damascus  
Bethesda-Chevy Chase  
Walt Whitman  
Seneca Valley  
Walt Whitman  
Walt Whitman  
Walt Whitman  
John F. Kennedy  
Thomas Wootton  
Rockville  
Walter Johnson  
Paint Branch  
Thomas Wootton  
Gaithersburg  
Zadok Magruder  
Seneca Valley  
Thomas Wootton  
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John F. Kennedy  
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Gaithersburg  
Charles W. Woodward  
Springbrook  
Albert Einstein  
Thomas Wootton  
Winston Churchill  
Rockville  
Walt Whitman  
Seneca Valley  
Bethesda-Chevy Chase  
Thomas Wootton  
Rockville  
Walt Whitman  
Bethesda-Chevy Chase  
Walter Johnson  
Winston Churchill  
Blair  
Springbrook  
Thomas Wootton  
Wheaton

Miller, Bethany  
Miller, Ethan L.  
Mitchel, Ralph H.  
Mongan, Martha E.  
Motter, Charles F.  
Muller, Jeffrey M.  
Munter, Fletcher M.  
Nathanson, Melissa  
Nelson, Jennifer B.  
Nelson, Peter  
Noble, John T.  
Orr, Marilee K.  
Otani, Ernest M.  
Panitz, Ora C.  
Park, Albert C.  
Park, Chong S.  
Park, Eric Y.  
Parker, Alan J.  
Perry, Ellen E.  
Petzold, Ruth  
Pierce, Ann E.  
Polk, Deborah E.  
Post, Ernest R.  
Powell, Corey S.  
Priven, Mark  
Rankin, George A.  
Reardon, James C.  
Reed, Renya M.  
Risher, John D.  
Ross, Brian L.  
Rourke, Elizabeth J.  
Rubin, Alisa R.  
Schmidt, Karen L.  
Sevy, Janet  
Shields, Helen N.  
Silver, Abby R.  
Simpson, Rachel A.  
Skinner, Brian D.  
Smith, Rebecca L.  
Solan, Nicolette  
Sommer, Matthew W.  
Stanford, Edward R.  
Stein, Edward D.  
Steinberg, Claude M.  
Stern, Simon D.  
Stewart, Harold D.  
Summers, Kathryn  
Sundt, Katrien E.  
Taussig, Cara L.  
Trainor, Jennifer L.  
Tustian, Alexander  
Vagins, Mark R.  
Walker, Dougin A.  
Weinberg, George M.

Richard Montgomery  
Bethesda-Chevy Chase  
Thomas Wootton  
Paint Branch  
Northwood  
Walt Whitman  
Richard Montgomery  
Thomas Wootton  
Walter Johnson  
Walt Whitman  
Robert E. Peary  
Bethesda-Chevy Chase  
Albert Einstein  
Charles W. Woodward  
Walt Whitman  
Richard Montgomery  
Winston Churchill  
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Walt Whitman  
Springbrook  
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Winston Churchill  
John F. Kennedy  
Bethesda-Chevy Chase  
Bethesda-Chevy Chase

Weiss, Kathleen J.  
Weltz, Leonard J.  
Wessel, Tamara L.  
West, James P.  
Wilburn, Lesley A.  
Williams, Thomas E.  
Witte, Ellen E.  
Wright, James B.  
Wu, Abraham H.  
Yingling, Sean R.  
Young, Albert M.

Gaithersburg  
Winston Churchill  
Robert E. Peary  
Rockville  
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Winston Churchill  
Thomas Wootton

Dr. Greenblatt joined the meeting at this point.

Resolution No. 746-82                      Re: Bid 4-83, Materials Handling  
Equipment (Fork Lift Truck)

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Hirsch seconded by Mr. Claypoole, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That having been duly advertised July 8, 1982, the bids received for the furnishing of materials handling equipment (fork lift truck) under Invitation to Bid 4-83 be rejected.

Resolution No. 747-82                      Re: Bid 34-83, 38-Station  
Collator

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Hirsch seconded by Mr. Claypoole, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted for the purchase of a 38-station collator; now therefore be it

Resolved, That having been duly advertised September 23, 1982, the contract totaling \$39,261 for the furnishing of a 38-station collator, under Invitation to Bid 34-83 be awarded to the low bidder meeting specifications, as follows:

	Dollar Volume	Line Items Awarded
Standard Duplicating Machines Corp., Arlington, Virginia	\$39,261	1

Resolution No. 748-82                      Re: Bid 35-83, Preprinted Continuous  
Forms

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Hirsch seconded by Mr. Claypoole, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted for the purchase of preprinted continuous forms; now therefore be it

Resolved, That having been duly advertised September 23, 1982, the contracts totaling \$17,775 for the furnishing of preprinted continuous forms, under Invitation to Bid 35-83, be awarded to the low bidders meeting specifications as follows:

	Dollar Volume	Line Items Awarded
Associated Printers, Inc. Baltimore, Maryland	\$12,231	1
O.E.I. Business Forms Alexandria, Virginia	2,347	3
McGregor Printing Corporation Washington, D.C.	3,197	1
Total	\$17,775	5

Resolution No. 749-82                      Re: Bid 39-82, Audio Mixer

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Hirsch seconded by Mr. Claypoole, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted for the purchase of an audio mixer; now therefore be it

Resolved, That having been duly advertised September 22, 1982, the contract totaling \$6,030 for the furnishing of an audio mixer under Invitation to Bid 39-83 be awarded to the low bidder meeting specifications as follows:

	Dollar Volume	Line Items Awarded
Soundbox International Merritt Island, Florida	\$6,030	1

Resolution No. 750-82                      Re: Award of a Contract to International Business Machines Corporation for the Purchase of a Controller, Terminals, and Printer for Montgomery Blair High School

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mr. Hirsch seconded by Mr. Claypoole, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted in Fiscal Year 1983 for the use of one IBM 8130 controller, seven display terminals, and one printer for the Computer Data Processing program at Montgomery Blair High School; and

WHEREAS, The Montgomery County Government awarded a contract (No. MC6733 as amended), to the IBM Corporation to supply this



Development Program

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Peyser seconded by Dr. Greenblatt, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized, subject to County Council approval, to receive and expend an FY 1983 supplemental appropriation of \$56,460 for the Head Start program from the Office of Administration of Children, Youth, and Families through the Montgomery County Community Action Committee in the following categories and establish a .5 A-D, 10-month teacher specialist position:

Category	Supplemental
02 Instructional Salaries	\$19,831
03 Instructional Other	30,951
07 Student Transportation	178
10 Fixed Charges	5,500
Total	\$56,460

and be it further

Resolved, That the county executive be requested to recommend approval of this action to the County Council and a copy be given to the county executive and County Council.

Resolution No. 753-82                      Re: Utilization of a Portion of the  
FY 1983 Appropriation for  
Projected Supported Projects for  
the Career Education Program

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Peyser seconded by Dr. Greenblatt, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to receive and expend, within the FY 1983 Appropriation for Supported Projects of \$300,000, an additional \$23,000 grant award from the Maryland State Department of Education under the Career Education Incentive Act for the Implementation and Evaluation of Career Education in MCPS in the following categories:

Category	Amount
02 Instructional Salaries	\$ 1,200
03 Instructional Other	21,700
10 Fixed Charges	100
Total	\$23,000

and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the county

executive and County Council.

Re: Board/Press/Visitor Conference

The following individuals appeared before the Board of Education:

1. Mr. Roscoe R. Nix
2. Mr. Hanley Norment
3. Mr. Leroy Warren

Re: Annual Report of the Advisory  
Committee on Counseling and  
Guidance

Ms. Willa Callen, chairman, explained that the committee had completed a productive and busy year and had gained knowledge about the workings of Montgomery County guidance programs. Last year they had conducted two large workshops for school guidance advisory committee members, and this year they were going to have a fall orientation session with a workshop in the spring. Ms. Callen stated that their first recommendation was for at least one counselor in each elementary school which was quite a budget item.

She said that there was broad support for this recommendation, and the committee realized that it was a goal. The second recommendation had to do with funds and leave for counselors for professional development. The committee felt that it was important for counselors to attend national and regional meetings because of the policies that were voted upon. The third recommendation was the restoration of the secretarial position for the central office guidance department. The fourth recommendation was the establishment of the Department of Pupil Services because Montgomery County was the only district in Maryland and the only jurisdiction of any size in the United States without such a department. The fifth recommendation was for a continued strong in-service program for counselor needs.

Mrs. Wallace asked the committee to rank order these recommendations. Ms. Callen replied that the committee felt that all the recommendations were of importance; however, the third recommendation could be done immediately. Dr. Darryl Laramore, supervisor of alternative/guidance programs, explained that the committee felt that the order of the recommendations was a priority order. Mrs. Wallace asked whether they were saying until they got one counselor per elementary school they should be doing the others. Dr. Laramore replied that the first recommendation would be a goal over a period of time that the Board would have as a high priority.

Mr. Ewing commented that the first recommendation was one that he would give a high priority to, and he recalled that the superintendent had recommended this as well. In addition, it had the highest priority for the elementary school principals. He asked that the superintendent provide the Board with information on what it would cost to adopt the first recommendation as an

objective over a couple of years. He said that the other recommendations were far less costly, but there was an organizational issue which should wait until a new superintendent was selected. However, he would hope that the new superintendent would not want to make a vast number of changes. Dr. Laramore remarked that sometime ago there had been a Division of Pupil Services, but it had been phased out and certain functions were dropped.

Mrs. Peyser asked whether they were contemplating additional in-service programs. Dr. Laramore replied that programs were based on the needs of students, and counselors wanted to keep up to date on these needs. Mrs. Peyser asked whether there were newly emerging needs that should be added or obsolete needs which should be dropped. Dr. Laramore indicated that courses were determined by enrollment, and if counselors did not sign up for particular courses these were dropped. This year the big interest was in family assistance training, and about 60 counselors participated in the program. Some single parent families had requested help. Dr. Pitt cautioned that while there were many single parent families needing help, there were others which did not require help. Therefore, they should not develop an attitude which assumed that because a parent was a single parent that he or she needed help.

In response to Mrs. Zappone's question on support referrals, Dr. Laramore replied that in some cases the parents had requested training in parenting. In addition, they felt that counselors needed more adequate knowledge of available resources so that referrals could be made.

Dr. Greenblatt recalled that when they had reconstituted the committee they were concerned about having a look at the guidance programs at the secondary level. She wondered whether the committee had discussed this and whether they should have a separate college counselor. Dr. Laramore replied that this year they had put an emphasis on doing a better job in college counseling. They would be having a spring college fair at Montgomery College which would be directed toward juniors. In terms of whether or not a college counselor should be designated, in some schools counselors had been identified as college counselors and did make an effort to keep track of scholarships. He remarked that it was almost impossible to identify one person as a college counselor when 60 to 90 percent of their students went on to college. Dr. Greenblatt suggested that this topic should be discussed again to see if the approach they were working on was the most effective, given the number of students going on to college. Dr. Laramore indicated that college admissions people were much more cooperative if they knew a specific counselor to call. He explained that part of the college fair program would involve some time for the counselors and college admission people to get together.

Mrs. Wallace inquired about the reorganization recommendation, and she stated that it appeared they all wanted to be housed together

so that they could work cooperatively. Dr. Laramore explained that there was some concern about cross-over responsibilities. Mrs. Wallace suggested that the superintendent provide the Board with the fiscal implications of each of the committee's recommendations.

In regard to the reorganization recommendation, the superintendent pointed out that counselors were never part of the pupil services recommendation and had always been responsible to principals. Dr. Laramore stated that his position had been in the Division of Pupil Services.

Mrs. Zappone asked whether there was the same need across the board for elementary schools to have counselors. Mrs. Callen said that there were some schools with full-time counselors now, and the recommendation stated that there be at least one counselor in each elementary school. Mrs. Susan Goldstein said they did develop a list of priorities as to what schools should be assigned counselors first. Ms. Kay Hwangbo stated that as a student her counselor was probably the single most important person that she depended on for personal and school problems and for college admissions. Mrs. Zappone thanked the committee for their report.

Re: Board-Funded 1982 Summer Chapter  
I (Title I) Program and Viers  
Mill Elementary School Parent  
Involvement Model

The superintendent stated that the Board knew what was happening with the federal dollars and that Montgomery County had tried to keep the Title I program intact. Dr. Richard Towers, director of the Department of Interagency, Alternative, and Supplementary Programs, explained that this past summer was the first time in 17 years they did not have enough federal dollars to provide a summer program; however, the Board had provided enough funds to serve 900 students. This made it the seventeenth summer they had provided a tuition-free summer program, and they thought that they had one of the best programs of this type in the nation.

Dr. James Sadler, director of the Division of Title I, explained that two of the great strengths of the program were the selection of student objectives and the leadership of the Title I staff. He said that they had selected items from the reading/language arts and mathematics curriculum to use in their program by zeroing in and devising individual objectives which the students could attain reasonably. He said that the staff was able to group the children before they entered the summer program so that instruction started the minute they walked in the door.

Mrs. Elaine Mikk, teacher specialist, stated that the 1981 program took place in eight summer centers for 18 half days involving 900 k-5 students and 45 teachers. Objectives were selected for each child, teaching strategies and materials were determined, in-service activities were prepared, and parent involvement activities were designated. She said that these 900 students represented 36 schools and achieved an overall attendance rate of

86 percent. She indicated that teachers evaluated student programs and copies of the objective sheet were sent to the home and to the child's own school. In addition to the student evaluation, a staff questionnaire was developed and meetings were held with the parents.

Dr. Sadler stated that the second part of their program was to give the Board a brief description of the parent component developed at Viers Mill Elementary School. He explained that the program was geared to assist parents to become partners with the school to help their children. Miss Lois Curry, teacher specialist, said that last year the Maryland State Department of Education had asked them to make a presentation about the Viers Mill Elementary School program, and the slides she showed to the Board were from that presentation. She introduced Mrs. Mary Brown, a parent in the program, and Mrs. Ginny Morrone, the Title I aide.

Mrs. Zappone inquired about next steps. Dr. Sadler replied that they had gotten a tremendous amount of mileage out of the Title I program. However, they had never attempted pre- and post-testing. He said they knew from 17 years of experience when they brought together a group of youngsters who were having difficulty that the potential was there for disruption. However, they had found that these youngsters were immediately on task, and with all the competing forces in the summertime they had consistently had an attendance rate of 85 percent or better. Over the years, they had tried almost every type of program, but they had found the tighter they got with the basic skills the more successful they were. He pointed out that they did not have a discipline problem, and they felt the program had been successful. They believed they had reaped tremendous benefits and the youngsters did not retrogress over the summer.

Mrs. Zappone asked whether they had a formal mechanism for feedback when the youngsters came back to their home school. Mrs. Lorraine Ziegler, program evaluation specialist, replied that they had a form which had been developed by the Title I program and was now used by the basic skills summer school program. The teacher wrote the objectives for the child and the form was sent home to parents. After the end of the summer school program, the teacher did the evaluation which was also sent home to the parents and to the school where the child would be attending in September. Mrs. Ziegler explained that a very individualized evaluation was done, and during the year the students participated in the regular program. About one quarter of the Title I students attended the summer program.

Dr. Sadler added that one of the strengths of the program was the coordination given to the Title I schools by the teacher specialists who were assigned to three schools. There was a close examination of the youngster and the data on that youngster was evaluated constantly.

Mrs. Wallace remarked that she found the parent program at Viers

Mill very exciting, and she wondered whether they had any plans to expand this program to other schools. Dr. Sadler replied that the price for the program was the withdrawal from the classroom of a six-hour Title I aide. Mrs. Wallace asked whether they were going to try to convince other principals that it was worthwhile to take the aide time for this purpose. Dr. Sadler said they intended to have an open house at Viers Mill for principals; however, the program would probably be more appealing to the principal who had a number of aides.

Mr. Claypoole asked whether the \$189,000 supported the eighteen half-days or the eight centers. Dr. Sadler explained that they were "locked into" the number of children served, and they tried to reduce the transportation costs by having the eight centers. Mr. Claypoole asked whether they would increase the number of students or the number of days if more funds were available. Dr. Sadler replied that after more than 20 days the attendance fell off. Dr. Towers pointed out that each summer they served fewer and fewer students.

Mrs. Wallace commented that they were in a double bind because they were losing federal dollars but the population needing Title I services was increasing. Dr. Towers agreed that they did not serve every child who was eligible for Title I services. Dr. Sadler felt they were reaching 50 to 60 percent of the eligible population. In response to other programs in the nation, he said they were probably serving more students for their dollars because MCPS had an aide program as contrasted with a counselor or social worker program. Nationwide the figure was probably 50 percent of the eligible students served.

Mrs. Zappone asked whether children who were not in Title I schools were eligible for the summer program. Dr. Sadler explained that they viewed the summer program as a continuation of additional services for children receiving Title I services during the school year. Mrs. Zappone thanked the staff for the report and for the services they provided to these youngsters.

Re: 1982 Annual Report of the  
Citizens' Advisory Committee for  
Career and Vocational Education

Dr. Frank Carricato, director of the Department of Career and Vocational Education, explained that Mr. Dale Boyd was the present chairman of the committee and last year he had served as program chairman. Mr. Boyd had helped the committee identify priorities for this year's activity. Mr. Boyd remarked that he had served on the committee for three terms. The committee had listened to people from the county government, major employers, parents, and recent graduates, and the common thread in their statements was the need for career educators to work closely with employers. He said that the report contained several recommendations for consideration by the Board of Education.

The superintendent believed that the recommendations were substantive and on target. He said they were implementing the first recommendation on the establishment of the regional vocational-technical center. Mr. Boyd thought they might have more youngsters trying to get into the center than they had room, and they wanted to make sure the Board implemented their recommendations. The superintendent felt that most of the specific answers to the committee's concerns would come as the Board worked through the budget process.

Mrs. Wallace commented that the first recommendation on the reporting of the director of the center to the director of the Department of Career and Vocational Education was obvious. She was particularly interested in the recommendation of having a vocational support team for handicapped, limited-English proficient students, and disadvantaged students as well as the recommendation on a job placement service for graduates of the center. The superintendent noted that the recommendation on additional EYE days for the center staff would require a specific budget action. In addition, full implementation of the recommendation for a seven-period day for all high schools would cost several million dollars. Mrs. Wallace suggested that the Board needed a report from the superintendent on the full cost of the committee's recommendations.

Mr. Boyd explained that one of their members had already visited other vocational/technical centers to get an idea of how they dealt with the issue of vocational support teams. In regard to the recommendation on equipment, Mrs. Zappone asked whether the committee was making recommendations for particular types of equipment. Dr. Carricato replied that the committee was informed about vocational programs and invited to participate in decisions where members did have expertise. Mrs. Zappone thought the recommendation on purchase, leasing, or sharing equipment was a very useful one. The superintendent commented that the committee's idea was very valid and they should look into various ways of obtaining vocational equipment.

Mr. Boyd stated that the committee was trying to get the private sector involved in this program, and he hoped that the Board could publicize the successes of vocational education in MCPS. For example, the Construction Trades Foundation had been cited as an outstanding program.

Mr. Ewing remarked that the fourth recommendation spoke to the issue of guidance; however, the counseling and guidance committee had not discussed this at all. He wondered whether it would be useful to have some sort of communication between these two groups and clarify whether there was a need to place more emphasis on guidance for vocational students or college-bound students, or vice versa. He felt that guidance services for students interested in vocational education should start early, and he was not sure whether this had been planned for. Dr. Carricato thought that the committees did need more communication. He said there was some

cooperation between the two staff groups because they were using federal funds to employ a vocational guidance specialist to work with the two departments to try to improve vocational counseling in the schools. He pointed out that in some schools there were very few vocational programs and, therefore, counselors did not automatically think about vocational options. He said they were trying to make counselors become more aware of these options, but the two committees had not communicated in three or four years.

The superintendent commented that with the opening of the center they were going to have to make the intermediate school counselors aware of the various options. Mrs. Zappone asked whether there would be an over-demand at the vocational/technical center. Dr. Carricato replied that there were 11 target schools where the youngsters would have first choice on the seats in the center. Therefore, they had identified certain criteria for admission to the program. They had also studied the situation at other magnet schools where a lottery system had been established for admission.

The superintendent explained that it would be a shame to use the facility for only six hours a day; therefore, they were looking at the possibility of running a session in the late afternoon or early evening. Mrs. Zappone asked whether they were planning for a summer program. The superintendent replied that there would not be a program the first summer.

Mr. Boyd remarked that they did not want the community to get the impression that the center would be a dumping ground. He said that they were not going to make it difficult for students to gain admission to the center, but they were going to make it difficult to complete the program. Mrs. Wallace said that she would counsel students to take extra courses in the summer to have time during the year to get into the program. Dr. Carricato said that a concern had been expressed about mid and upper county students. He said that they continued to work closely with Areas 2 and 3 to do whatever they could to have a reasonable array of offerings to the students in those areas. He remarked that if they did see a demand for programs in this area they would make the Board aware of this and might be requesting some facilities in up-county schools.

Re: Monthly Financial Report

The superintendent reported that they were projecting a minimal deficit and would have to watch the situation very closely. Mrs. Zappone suggested that they look for an alternate description of "unaudited surplus." Mrs. Wallace said that she was concerned about the projected deficit especially when she looked at last year's October report. She wondered whether they had more students than planned for or less money budgeted. The superintendent explained that it was a combination of the two. He said that transportation was underbudgeted as well as fringe benefits. Dr. Pitt explained that last year they had been carrying about the same number of surplus people, but this year the lapse funds had been hit harder.

Re: Board Member Comments

1. Mrs. Wallace stated that she was concerned about reports of overcrowding on school buses. She asked for an update of the situation on standees on buses.
2. Mrs. Wallace said that the Chinese-American community had pointed out that in terms of hiring that Chinese-Americans were seriously underrepresented in teaching and A&S positions vis a vis student population. She asked that the superintendent look into this situation.
3. Mrs. Peyser said that the Board had received a class size report for October 25, and she asked that the staff check into the situation with respect to overly large classes in oral communication.
4. Mr. Hirsch commented that there were a number of questions that had been raised on the weighted grading system as to when and how it would go into effect. Dr. Pitt explained that the new system would go into effect next September for all students. Classes would be identified as honors and AP courses, and weighted grades would apply in these classes. He pointed out that next year's seniors would not be impacted at all because this year's grades would be used for college admission.

Resolution No. 754-82

Re: Executive Session - November 9,  
1982

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Peyser seconded by Mr. Hirsch, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, The Board of Education of Montgomery County is authorized by Article 76A, Section 11(a) of the Annotated Code of Maryland to conduct certain of its meetings in executive closed session; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education of Montgomery County hereby conduct its meeting in executive closed session beginning on November 9, 1982, at 9 a.m. to discuss, consider, deliberate, and/or otherwise decide the employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion, compensation, discipline, removal, or resignation of employees, appointees, or officials over whom it has jurisdiction, or any other personnel matter affecting one or more particular individuals and to comply with a specific constitutional, statutory or judicially imposed requirement protecting particular proceedings or matters from public disclosure as permitted under Article 76A, Section 11(a) and that such meeting shall continue in executive closed session until the completion of business; and be it further

Resolved, That such meeting continue in executive closed session at noon to discuss the matters listed above as permitted under Article

76A, Section 11(a) and that such meeting shall continue in executive closed session until the completion of business.

Re: New Business

1. Mrs. Peyser introduced the following resolution which was seconded by Dr. Greenblatt:

WHEREAS, The Montgomery County extracurricular program is an integral part of the total educational program, and that program is in need of more financial support; and

WHEREAS, The athletic departments of the senior high schools are falling further and further into debt; and

WHEREAS, These debts are caused by increased costs for transportation, officials, and equalization of sports through Title IX; and

WHEREAS, These debts are placing an increased burden on the taxpayer; and

WHEREAS, Evening athletic events will raise enough revenue to pay for the cost of the lights as well as help cover the cost of some or all of these debts; and

WHEREAS, There is an increasing number of working parents who cannot attend afternoon athletic events and watch their children play; and

WHEREAS, There is substantial community interest in evening athletic events for the whole family; and

WHEREAS, Evening athletic events will not interfere with the regular instructional program since no student or teacher will be taken out of afternoon classes as thousands are now; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Montgomery County school system begin a program of adding lights to high school stadiums.

2. Mr. Ewing introduced the following resolution which received no second:

WHEREAS, The Board of Education of Montgomery County has adopted a code of ethics to guide its behavior; and

WHEREAS, That code binds each of the members of the Board to avoid use of his or her office improperly, or for personal gain or advantage; and

WHEREAS, The president of the Montgomery County NAACP, in a letter addressed to Mr. Norman Blumenthal of Montgomery Citizens for Serious Education and dated October 14, 1982, said that:

"I am aware that the member of your executive committee who misuses our good name was assisted by a member of the Board's majority in obtaining his present position in MCPS. I am also aware of the unusual and extreme pressure that that member of the Board placed upon senior MCPS staff to comply with her demand."

and

WHEREAS, This charge raises a question as to whether there was improper pressure placed on officials within MCPS by a member of the Board of Education, and implies that efforts were made to employ and place a person on the school staff who was a political ally of a Board member, and from whom political favors were expected in return; and

WHEREAS, It is essential that this charge be investigated and that the facts become known; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education requests and requires that an inquiry be made into the charge, with a view to determining if a violation of the Board's code of ethics occurred; and be it further

Resolved, That if necessary the Board call on the county government's merit system protection board to assist it in this inquiry, as an agent whose objectivity would be unquestioned; and be it further

Resolved, That the results of the inquiry be reported to the Board as quickly as possible, so that appropriate action can be taken, if warranted.

3. The superintendent reported that he had received a letter from Mr. Scull's assistant on a bill regarding interagency personnel agreements. He said that if the bill were introduced he would provide the Board with more information about it because at first glance it might be interesting to pursue.

Resolution No. 755-82                      Re: Minutes of September 28, 1982

On motion of Mrs. Peyser seconded by Dr. Greenblatt, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the minutes of September 28, 1982, be approved.

Re: Items of Information

Board members received the following items of information:

1. Feedback Indicators - Long-range Educational Facilities Planning Policy
2. Joint Occupancy Quarterly Report
3. Class Size Report

Re: Adjournment

The president adjourned the meeting at 11:40 p.m.

President

Secretary

EA:mlw