The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at the Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Thursday, January 17, 1980, at 8 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Dr. Daryl W. Shaw, President in the Chair
Mr. Joseph R. Barse
Mr. Blair G. Ewing
Dr. Marian L. Greenblatt
Mrs. Elizabeth W. Spencer
Mrs. Carol F. Wallace
Mrs. Eleanor D. Zappone

Absent: Mr. Jonathan Paul

Others Present: Dr. Harry Pitt, Acting Deputy Superintendent of Schools

Re: Work Session on Standardized Testing

Dr. Pitt introduced the following participants: Dr. Gilbert Austin, Dr. Ronald Berk, Dr. William Cooley, Dr. Robert Gordon, Dr. William Griffith, Dr. Sylvia Johnson, Dr. Michael Kean, and Dr. Robert Lissitz. He explained that the purpose of the meeting was to have an informal session on standardized testing. Board members and participants discussed whether group abilities tests measured intelligence or achievement, ways to measure the difference between intelligence and achievement, the value of group tests as a predictor, the use of test results to judge the performance of an individual school, test biases, alternatives to the Cognitive Abilities Test, and the characteristics of a successful school.

Dr. Pitt and Dr. Shaw thanked the participants for their very helpful panel discussion.

Re: Adjournment

The president adjourned the meeting at 10:25 p.m.

President

Secretary