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Rockville, Maryland  
October 14, 1980

The Board of Education Of Montgomery County met in regular session at the Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Tuesday, October 14, 1980, at 10:15 a.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  
Miss Traci Williams  
Mrs. Carol F. Wallace  
Mrs. Eleanor D. Zappone

Absent: None

Others Present: Dr. Edward Andrews\*, Superintendent of Schools  
Dr. Harry Pitt, Deputy Superintendent  
Dr. Robert S. Shaffner, Executive Assistant

Re: ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mrs. Wallace announced that Dr. Andrews and Dr. Shaw were attending a funeral. Mr. Ewing had attended executive session and would return to the meeting about 11 a.m. Mr. Barse was due shortly. She said that the Board had been meeting in executive session on personnel matters.

RESOLUTION NO. 582-80 Re: APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Zappone seconded by Mrs. Spencer, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve its agenda for October 14, 1980, with the reversal of the items on the MCCPTA Social Studies Report and the Basic Core of Course Offerings and the addition of an item on ESOL teachers.

RESOLUTION NO. 583-80 Re: EXECUTIVE SESSION - OCTOBER 27, 1980

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Zappone seconded by Mrs. Spencer, 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

\*Dr. Shaw, Mr. Barse, Mr. Ewing, and Dr. Andrews joined the meeting at a later time.

Resolved, That the Board of Education of Montgomery County hereby conduct its meeting in executive closed session beginning on October 27, 1980, at 11 p.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.

Re: BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

1. Mrs. Spencer reported that Board members had received copies of correspondence from a Council member regarding teacher hiring practices. As she looked at the Personnel Report, 64 out of the 147 new teacher appointments had to do with special education. She asked the staff to do an analysis of hiring this fall indicating the high number of special education people who had been hired to meet the needs of these special programs. She asked that this information be shared with the County Council and that someone write to the editor of the Sentinel. She said they were hearing that MCPS was not hiring qualified people and that was not the case. She also indicated that staff was looking into the possibility of hiring more experienced people at lower salary levels.
2. Mrs. Zappone pointed out that Dr. Thomas Rowan had been named state mathematics educator of the year and offered the Board's congratulations.
3. Mrs. Zappone reported that on September 23 to 25 the Department of Education had a management assessment team looking into MCPS ESOL and bilingual programs. She thought that by and large the team was very impressed with the status of their programs.
4. Mrs. Zappone stated that on September 26 there was a symposium on the mentally handicapped at Suburban Hospital. She said that MCPS staff had made a presentation and their efforts were well received.
5. Dr. Greenblatt remarked that in view of the fact that the departmental final examinations were a relatively new procedure and in view of the fact that there were questions as to whether there was sufficient time to prepare she wondered whether the superintendent could meet with representatives of MCEA. She felt that perhaps they could provide a period of time when the departments could meet together. Dr. Pitt agreed that the superintendent could be in touch with MCEA and get their input. He indicated that they had just announced an in-service day for this purpose. Dr. Shaffner reported that the Board president had just received a communication from MCEA asking for a meeting with the Board on November 11.
6. Dr. Greenblatt noted that in regard to enrollment projections they had 1,900 more students than anticipated. Under new business, she would move that the Board take the position of going to the County Council with that information and asking for an adjustment in the budget.
7. Mrs. Wallace stated that in regard to the Master Plan for School Facilities there were slippages in time, and she felt that the County Council, county executive, and Delegation should know of this slippage. She wondered whether they were all marching to the same drummer because she had no idea of the assumptions under which the staff was working. She asked that the superintendent provide the Board with a list of the members of his task force.

RESOLUTION NO. 584-80 Re: MINUTES OF AUGUST 25 AND SEPTEMBER 9 AND 15, 1980

On motion of Miss Williams seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the minutes of August 25 and September 9 and 15, 1980, be approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 585-80 Re: AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT -  
SCIENCE AND ART ROOM MODIFICATIONS AT  
VARIOUS SCHOOLS

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Sealed bids were received on September 25 to furnish and install ventilation and safety equipment in science and art rooms at Edwin W. Broome Middle, Col. Joseph Belt, Earle B. Wood, Col. E. Brooke Lee, Parkland, and Robert Frost Junior High Schools, as indicated below:

PROPOSALS

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>A</u> <u>Broome</u>	<u>B</u> <u>Belt</u>	<u>C</u> <u>Wood</u>	<u>D</u> <u>Lee</u>	<u>E</u> <u>Parkland</u>	<u>F</u> <u>Frost</u>
Arey Incorp.	\$8,172	\$16,926*	\$7,304	\$9,558	\$10,121**	\$4,709*
W. B. Maske Sheet Works, Inc.	7,937*	18,392	7,056*	8,473*	12,781*	4,960

\* Recommended Award

\*\* The bidder advised, in writing, that they had made an error of omission and requested their Proposal E be rescinded.

WHEREAS, The low bids are reasonable and the bidders are reputable contractors and have successfully performed similar projects; and

WHEREAS, Funds are sufficient for contract award (balance after award - \$101,733.67); now therefore be it

Resolved, That a contract be awarded Arey Incorporated for \$21,635 to furnish and install ventilating and safety equipment in science and art rooms at Col. Joseph Belt and Robert Frost Junior High Schools, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by Morton Wood, Jr., Engineer; and be it further

Resolved, That a contract be awarded to W. B. Maske Sheet Metal Works, Inc., for \$36,247 to furnish and install ventilating and safety equipment in science and art rooms at Edwin W. Broome Middle, E. B. Wood, Col. E. Brooke Lee, and Parkland Junior High Schools, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by Morton Wood, Jr., Engineer.

RESOLUTION NO. 586-80 Re: CONSTRUCTION AWARD - HARMONY HILLS  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REROOFING (AREA 4)

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously::

WHEREAS, Sealed bids were received on October 2 for reroofing Harmony Hills Elementary School, as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Lump Sum</u>
1. Colbert Roofing Corporation	\$69,740.00

- |                                 |           |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| 2. R. D. Bean, Inc.             | 85,000.00 |
| 3. Virginia Roofing Corporation | 94,752.00 |

and,

WHEREAS, The low bidder, Colbert Roofing Corporation, has performed satisfactorily on other MCPS projects; and

WHEREAS, Low bid is within staff estimate and sufficient funds are available in Account 999-42 to effect award; now therefore be it

Resolved, That a contract for \$69,740 be awarded to Colbert Roofing Corporation to accomplish a reroofing project at Harmony Hills Elementary School, in accordance with plans and specifications covering this work dated September 18, 1980, as prepared by the Department of School Facilities.

RESOLUTION NO. 587-80 Re: ARCHITECTURAL APPOINTMENT -  
GAITHERSBURG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
MODERNIZATION PROJECT (AREA 5)

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Planning funds were appropriated in the FY 1981 capital budget and it is necessary to appoint an architect to provide required design services and administration of construction contract for the Gaithersburg Elementary School modernization project; and

WHEREAS, Staff has employed the Architect/Engineer Selection Procedures approved by the Board of Education in November 1975; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education appoint the architectural firm of Grimm and Parker Architects to provide required design services and administration of the construction contract for the Gaithersburg Elementary School modernization project at the lump sum fee of \$109,115; and be it further

Resolved, That the contractual agreement not be executed until it has been determined that the City of Gaithersburg will not extend Brooks Avenue through the site.

RESOLUTION NO. 588-80 Re: BID 2-81, GENERAL AND BIOLOGICAL  
CHEMICALS

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted for the purchase of general and biological chemicals; now therefore be it

Resolved, That having been duly advertised August 1, 1980, the contracts for the furnishing of general and biological chemicals for the period of October 15, 1980, through September 14, 1981, under Invitation to Bid 2-81 be awarded to:

Fisher Scientific, Chicago, Illinois  
LaPine Scientific, Chicago, Illinois  
Noth Strong, Inc., Rockville, Maryland

Sargent Welch Scientific, Springfield, New Jersey  
Ward's Natural Science Est., Rochester, New York,

low bidders meeting specifications.

RESOLUTION NO. 589-80 Re: BID 8-81, KITCHEN EQUIPMENT

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted for the purchase of kitchen equipment; now therefore be it

Resolved, That having been duly advertised August 18, 1980, the contracts for the furnishing of kitchen equipment under Invitation to Bid 8-81 be awarded to:

Essbar Equipment Company, Wilmington, Delaware  
Gill Company, Inc., Beltsville, Maryland  
Nationwide Refrigeration, Falls Church, Virginia  
SAC, Inc., Silver Spring, Maryland,

low bidders meeting specifications.

RESOLUTION NO. 590-80 Re: BID 11-81, MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted for the purchase of musical instruments; now therefore be it

Resolved, That having been duly advertised August 14, 1980, the contracts for the furnishing of musical instruments for the period of October 15, 1980, through October 14, 1981, under Invitation to Bid 11-81 be awarded to:

Brass & Woodwind Specialists, Ltd., College Park, Maryland  
Washington Music Center, Wheaton, Maryland  
Zavarella's Music, Arlington, Virginia,

low bidders meeting specifications.

RESOLUTION NO. 591-80 Re: BID 12-81, INDUSTRIAL ARTS GENERAL SHOP EQUIPMENT

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted for the purchase of industrial arts general shop equipment; now therefore be it

Resolved, That having been duly advertised August 20, 1980, the contracts for the furnishing of industrial arts general shop equipment under Invitation to Bid 12-81 be awarded to:

Angle Steel, Springfield, Virginia

Brodhead-Garrett Co., Cleveland, Ohio  
Noland Company, Falls Church, Virginia  
Thompson and Cooke, Inc., Bladensburg, Maryland,

low bidders meeting specifications.

RESOLUTION NO. 592-80 Re: BID 13-81, SHADE MATERIAL

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted for the purchase of shade material; now therefore be it

Resolved, That having been duly advertised August 20, 1980, the contracts for the furnishing of shade material for the period of October 15, 1980, through October 14, 1981, under Invitation to Bid 13-81 be awarded to:

Globe Products Corp., Baltimore, Maryland  
L & M Window Shade Co., Silver Spring, Maryland,

low bidders meeting specifications.

RESOLUTION NO. 593-80 Re: BID 14-81, FILM INSPECTION AND CLEANING MACHINE

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted for the purchase of film inspection and cleaning machine; now therefore be it

Resolved, That having been duly advertised August 18, 1980, the contract for the furnishing of film inspection and cleaning machine under Invitation to Bid 14-81 be awarded to:

Research Technology, Inc., Lincolnwood, Illinois,

low bidder meeting specifications.

RESOLUTION NO. 594-80 Re: BID 15-81, INDUSTRIAL ARTS OFFSET DUPLICATOR

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted for the purchase of industrial arts offset duplicator; now therefore be it

Resolved, That having been duly advertised August 25, 1980, the contract for the furnishing of offset duplicator under Invitation to Bid 15-81 be awarded to:

L. S. Patton Printing Supplies, Inc., Silver Spring, Maryland,

low bidder meeting specifications.

RESOLUTION NO. 595-80 Re: BID 17-81, AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted for the purchase of automotive equipment; now therefore be it

Resolved, That having been duly advertised September 3, 1980, the contracts for the furnishing of automotive equipment under Invitation to Bid 17-81 be awarded to:

B & R Associates, Gaithersburg, Maryland  
Brodhead-Garrett Co., Cleveland, Ohio  
Discount Distributors, Inc., Baltimore, Maryland  
G. W. Imirie, Inc., Bethesda, Maryland  
Interstate Auto Equipment & Supply Co., Beltsville, Maryland  
Snap-on Tools Corp., Hanover, Maryland  
Thompson & Cooke, Inc., Bladensburg, Maryland  
United Auto Parts, Rockville, Maryland,

low bidders meeting specifications.

RESOLUTION NO. 596-80 Re: BID 21-81, REQUISITION/PURCHASE ORDER FORM

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Funds have been budgeted for the purchase of requisition/purchase order forms; now therefore be it

Resolved, That having been duly advertised September 12, 1980, the contract for the furnishing of requisition/purchase order forms for the period of October 15, 1980, through April 13, 1981, under Invitation to Bid 21-81 be awarded to:

Sullivan Business Forms, Rockville, Maryland,

low bidder meeting specifications.

RESOLUTION NO. 597-80 Re: RESCISSION OF BOE RESOLUTION 382-80 AND UTILIZATION OF A PORTION OF THE FY 1981 APPROPRIATION FOR PROJECTED SUPPORTED PROGRAMS FOR FY 1981 SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT FOR THE EXTENDED ELEMENTARY EDUCATION PROGRAM (EEEP) AND CATEGORICALLY TRANSFER FUNDS

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That BOE Resolution 382-870 of June 23, 1980, be rescinded; and be it further

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to receive and expend under the FY 1981 appropriation for supported projects of \$500,000 an additional grant of \$2,862 from

MSDE to enhance the Extended Elementary Education Program at Broad Acres and Maryvale Elementary schools as shown below:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Amount</u>
02 Instructional Salaries	\$2,862

and be it further

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized, subject to County Council approval, to effect the following transfer and establish the two positions as shown for the Extended Elementary Education Program:

<u>Category</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
02 Instructional Salaries		\$11,219
03 Instructional Other	\$ 4,052	
06 Pupil Transportation	300	
09 Fixed Charges	<u>6.867</u>	
Total	\$11,219	\$11,219

Positions

Teacher	1.0 (A-D)	10-month
Teacher Assistant	<u>1.0</u> (Grade 8)	10-month
Total	2.0	

and be it further

Resolved, That the county executive be requested to recommend approval of this resolution to the County Council and that a copy be sent to the county executive and County Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 598-80 Re: SUBMISSION OF A FY 1982 GRANT PROPOSAL FOR A SCHOOL IN-SERVICE COORDINATOR FOR MAINSTREAMING PROJECT TO THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION, DIVISION OF PERSONNEL PREPARATION

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to submit a FY 1982 personnel preparation grant proposal to the Department of Education for a School In-service Coordinator for Mainstreaming Project; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the county executive and County Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 599-80 Re: FY 81 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR A PROJECT TO MINIMIZE SOCIOECONOMIC AND CULTURAL BARRIERS IN THE EDUCATION OF GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENTS



On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized, subject to County Council approval, to receive and expend a grant of \$52,350 in FY 81 from MSDE, Title IV, Part C in the following categories and to establish two positions:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Supplemental</u>
02 Instructional Salaries	\$36,000
03 Instructional Other	7,600
09 Fixed Charges	<u>52,350</u>

Positions

Teacher Specialist	1.0 (A-D)	10-month
Clerk Typist IV	<u>1.0</u> Grade 10)	10-month
Total	2.0	

and be it further

Resolved, That the county executive be requested to recommend approval of this resolution to the County Council and that a copy be sent to the county executive and County Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 600-80 Re: UTILIZATION OF A PORTION OF THE FY 1981 APPROPRIATIONS FOR PROJECTED SUPPORTED PROJECTS FOR A GRANT TO IMPLEMENT PROJECT ACTIVE

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to receive and expend under the FY 1981 Appropriation for Supported Programs of \$500,000 a grant of \$11,993 to implement Project ACTIVE during FY 1981 from MSDE with ESEA, Title IV-C funds in the following categories:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Amount</u>
02 Instructional Salaries	\$ 7,125
03 Instructional Other	4,155
09 Fixed Charges	<u>713</u>
Total	\$11,993

and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the county executive and County Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 601-80 Re: UTILIZATION OF A PORTION OF THE FY 1981 APPROPRIATION FOR PROJECTED SUPPORTED PROGRAMS FOR SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT,

LEARNING TO READ THROUGH THE ARTS, TITLE  
I CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to receive and expend under the FY 1981 Appropriation for Supported Projects of \$500,000 an additional grant of \$11,550 from MSDE for the implementation of an ESEA, Title IV-C grant, Learning to Read Through the Arts, Title I Children's Program in the categories below:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Amount</u>
02 Instructional Salaries	\$ 560
03 Instructional Other	7,384
06 Pupil Transportation	3,550
09 Fixed Charges	<u>56</u>
Total	\$11,550

and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the county executive and County Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 602-80 Re: PERSONNEL MONTHLY REPORT

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

Resolved, That the following appointments, resignations, and leaves of absence for professional and supporting services personnel be approved: (TO BE APPENDED TO THESE MINUTES).

RESOLUTION NO. 603-80 Re: EXTENSION OF SICK LEAVE

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

WHEREAS, The employee listed below has suffered serious illness; and

WHEREAS, Due to the prolonged illness, the employee's accumulated sick leave has expired; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education grant an extension of sick leave with three-fourths pay covering the period indicated:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position and Location</u>	<u>No. of Days</u>
Doris T. Dorsey	Building Service Worker Rockville High School	30

RESOLUTION NO. 604-80 Re: PERSONNEL REASSIGNMENT

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

Resolved, That the following personnel reassignment be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Dean, Roy D.	Classroom Teacher	Supporting Services
	Harmony Hills Elementary	To be determined
	MEQ-14, L2	Will maintain present salary level
		November 24, 1980

RESOLUTION NO. 605-80 Re: DEATH OF MR. CARLTON HUMPHREY, GENERAL MAINTENANCE CRAFT WORKER, DIVISION OF MAINTENANCE

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Miss Williams seconded by Mrs. Spencer, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, The sudden death on October 3, 1980, of Mr. Carlton Humphrey, a general maintenance craft worker, in the Division of Maintenance, has deeply saddened the staff and members of the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Humphrey had been a loyal employee of Montgomery County Public Schools and a member of the staff in the Division of Maintenance since he was employed in January, 1968; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Humphrey's pride in his work and his pleasant attitude were recognized by staff and associates; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the members of the Board of Education express their sorrow at the death of Mr. Carlton Humphrey and extend deepest sympathy to his family; and be it further

Resolved, That this resolution be made part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy be forwarded to the family of the deceased.

RESOLUTION NO. 606-80 Re: DEATH OF MRS. HELEN C. WALKER

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Miss Williams seconded by Mrs. Spencer, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Mrs. Helen Claxton Walker served with distinction as a member of the Montgomery County Board of Education from 1942 to 1949; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Walker was vice president of the Board of Education in 1946 and president in 1947; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Walker was active in a number of civic, political, and educational organizations, in particular the Crippled Children's Society of Montgomery County; and

WHEREAS, The citizens of Montgomery County owe her a great debt for her services as a Board member and as a civic leader; and

WHEREAS, The county has suffered a grievous loss in the death of Mrs. Walker; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the members of the Board of Education and the staff of the Montgomery County Public Schools express their deep sorrow over Mrs. Walker's death; and be it further

Resolved, That this resolution be made part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy be forwarded to the family of the deceased.

RESOLUTION NO. 609-80 Re: REVISION OF THE COMPOSITION OF THE  
MINORITY RELATIONS MONITORING  
COMMITTEE

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Zappone seconded by Mrs. Spencer, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Barney Singer, Becky Ryder, Kimberly Heath, and Tim Charles are no longer able to serve on the committee; and

WHEREAS, The administrative assistant for student affairs has submitted the names of Scott Turner, Rose Marie Eliland, Brenda Mazyck and Carol Montmayer to serve as student representatives on the Minority Relations Monitoring Committee; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education appoint Scott Turner, Rose Marie Eliland, Brenda Mazyck, and Carol Montemayer to serve on the Minority Relations Monitoring Committee, effective immediately.

RESOLUTION NO. 608-80 Re: PERSONNEL APPOINTMENT

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

Resolved, That the following personnel appointment be approved:

<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Present Position</u>	<u>As</u>
Richard G. Fazakerley	Commander, Army Finance Accounting Center Assistant Comptroller of the Army Fort Harrison, Indiana	Associate Superintendent for Supportive Services Effective December 15, 1980

Re: DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S PROPOSED  
REGULATIONS

Mrs. Spencer moved approval of the following, and Mrs. Zappone seconded the motion:

WHEREAS, The Department of Education has proposed regulations governing bilingual education for limited English proficient students; and

WHEREAS, The Montgomery County Public Schools has testified at a public hearing regarding these proposed regulations; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education desires to submit additional detailed comments to the Department of Education regarding these proposed regulations; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education directs the superintendent of schools to forward the attached comments regarding the proposed resolutions to Secretary Shirley Hufstedler.

RESOLUTION NO. 609-80 Re: DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S PROPOSED REGULATIONS

On motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Miss Williams, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That there be added to the proposed statement a summary section at the end which cites the need for assistance by the Department of Education when requested with the provision for funding of all mandatory programs and leaves the style and execution of these programs to the local education agencies.

RESOLUTION NO. 610-80 Re: DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S PROPOSED REGULATIONS

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

Resolved, That the following modifications be made to the statement on the regulations:

- 1) Testimony given in New York be send as an appendix to the statement
- 2) Staff provide an introductory statement which strongly stated the position of the Board of Education that the Board did not believe in the federal role here
- 3) Inclusion of the question of imposing one specific methodology rather than a variety
- 4) Inclusion of a statement that the costs would have a significant impact on communities, and
- 5) A statement that the Board was not opposed to helping these students because it was currently spending \$1.8 million for services;

and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Education supports the statement prepared by the Metropolitan Area Boards and that this statement should be included in the document going to the Department of Education.

RESOLUTION NO. 611-80 Re: DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S PROPOSED REGULATIONS

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, The Department of Education has proposed regulations governing bilingual education for limited English proficient students; and

WHEREAS, The Montgomery County Public Schools has testified at a public hearing regarding these proposed regulations; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education desires to submit additional detailed comments to the Department of Education regarding these proposed regulations; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education directs the superintendent of schools to forward the attached comments (as amended) regarding the proposed regulations to Secretary Shirley Hufstедler.

RESOLUTION NO. 612-80 Re: ADDITIONAL ESOL POSITIONS

On recommendation of the superintendent and on motion of and on motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, Upon completing the testing procedures and reviewing the number of students in need of ESOL service as determined by MCPS criteria, the current ESOL enrollment of 2,722 has be found to be 472 students above the 2,250 students budgeted for in the fiscal '81 operating budget; and

WHEREAS, No additional budgeted teaching positions remain to be allocated; and

WHEREAS, The large increase in ESOL enrollment impairs the ESOL teachers' ability to provide quality instruction; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education hereby establish 5.0 teacher positions in the Division of ESOL/Bilingual at an estimated cost of \$70,000 to be paid for out of existing Special Education substitute salaries; and be it further

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized, subject to County Council approval, to effect the following transfer:

<u>Category</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
05 Special Education Salaries	\$70,000	
02 Instructional Salaries	_____	<u>\$70,000</u>
Total	\$70,000	\$70,000

and be it further

Resolved, That the county executive be requested to recommend approval of this resolution to the County Council and that a copy be sent to the county executive and County Council.

Re: EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board met in executive session from noon to 2:20 to discuss personnel matters and appeals. During that time Dr. Shaw, Dr. Andrews, Mr. Barse, and Mr. Ewing joined the meeting.

RESOLUTION NO. 613-80 Re: BOARD OF EDUCATION CASE 1980-15

On motion of Mrs. Wallace seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That Board of Education Case 1980-15 be assigned to a hearing examiner.

Re: NEW BUSINESS

1. Mrs. Wallace pointed out that the Board had received a good number of information items, and she would like to address three of these. The first was on Enrollment/Staffing; Statutory Compliance in Programs for Handicapped Students. She felt that there were a number of moral issues raised here, and she hoped that the Board could receive an answer from legal counsel. The superintendent agreed to provide the Board with a paper on their legal responsibilities. The second was Update on Category 15. Mrs. Wallace asked for a specific examination as to why there were varying costs in each of the non-public schools. She said that the Board needed to know the types of levels and what the accountability was to make sure these students were receiving these services. The third item was Information on Equity of Programs and Materials in Junior High School Learning Centers. She pointed out the discrepancy among numbers of students being served in each of the five areas. She indicated that as far as senior high school services they did not have anything in the eastern part of the county. She requested a breakdown of the residences of the senior high school students and a breakdown of the resource rooms by area and number.

2. Mrs. Wallace introduced the following motion which was seconded by Mr. Barse: "Resolved, That one special evening meeting be set aside for a discussion of Continuum Education in the month of November or early December prior to the start of the budget session." She explained that they needed to discuss the items of information as well as the Department of Accountability report.

3. Dr. Greenblatt introduced the following motion which was seconded by Mrs. Zappone:

WHEREAS, There are 1,900 more students enrolled in MCPS this fall than was projected by the County Council; and

WHEREAS, The Board has already approved 29 additional teaching positions above the FY 1981 budget; and

WHEREAS, The Board has approved today the addition of 5.0 teacher positions for those 472 additional students who require ESOL services above the 2,250 projects in the FY 1981 budget; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education present these facts to the County Council and strongly request an adjustment in the MCPS budget allocation as was discussed when the budget was developed last spring; and be it further

Resolved, That the superintendent be authorized to overhire teaching positions to relieve any large classes prior to the final data coming to the Board later this month, and prior to any anticipated County Council action.

4. Mrs. Spencer asked the superintendent to look into the possibility of removing one phone line from the Board of Education offices and changing all phones to one type.

5. Mr. Ewing pointed out that the Board received copies of two letters from the president of MCEA asking for time to talk to the Board. He moved that the Board hold a special meeting before November 11 or reserve an hour on that agenda. Miss Williams seconded the motion.

Dr. Pitt explained that the Board had discussed this in the morning and it was agreed that the superintendent would meet with MCEA. Mrs. Wallace added that after the superintendent met with Dr. Eberly it would be decided as to whether they still wanted to meet with the Board.

6. Mr. Ewing called attention to an article in Science magazine, and while he did not regard any magazine as an absolute authority the article did raise some questions. he said that Dr. Marco was quoted as saying he was unable to keep his best science and math teachers. mr. Ewing also thought there was a problem with the MCPS science and math curriculum. He moved that the Board have an examination of curriculum and teacher selection and retention in science and mathematics. Dr. Shaw stated that hearing no second the matter would not be scheduled.

7. Mr. Ewing pointed out that weighted enrollment had been on the list of items to be scheduled for about a year. During that time other items had been scheduled and discussed by the Board. Dr. Shaw remarked that they had reviewed this and the Board did not know where to go with this and neither did the staff. The superintendent explained that the committee report was in evidence in the Somerset case. He said that he had taken the point of view that weighted enrollment would be discussed during the budget and not while the court case was going on. Mr. Ewing indicated that he did not agree. The superintendent said that if it was the sense of the Board that the report should be discussed they did have a committee report that could be scheduled. Mr. Ewing pointed out that he had asked about six times that this be discussed. Mrs. Wallace felt that if they were going to discuss this they should have as much information as possible from other jurisdictions such as Denver. Dr. Greenblatt urged the Board to be very cautious in this matter because they were defendants in a law suit. She said that they should be able to say that the Board has not adopted this. Dr. Shaw agreed and suggested that the staff get some information and update the report in connection with budget discussions.

8. Mr. Barse asked when the MORE study on the computer was to be scheduled. The superintendent replied that he had seen a final draft and thought the report should be out by the end of the month. Mr. Barse requested that they obtain a staff reaction as soon as possible after the release of the report.

9. Mrs. Zappone indicated that she had asked the superintendent to investigate the feasibility of having a foreign language summer camp at the Smith Center. She said they had been advised that the MCPS average on the college boards in foreign languages was below the national average, and she pointed out that there would be a forum on November 6. The superintendent replied that they hoped to come in with recommendations. He commented that they did need to take a look at their foreign language program, and he indicated that he would have a response to Mrs. Zappone's request.

10. The superintendent called attention to the paper on the interagency group on drug and alcohol abuse. He said they were fully supportive of the recommendations and planned to move ahead with them. He asked the Board to take one last look at the report and see if there were problems with moving ahead on an interagency basis.

11. Mrs. Wallace stated that she had had a discussion with Mrs. Verna Fletcher on the subject of drug abuse. Mrs. Fletcher had informed her that there were a number of television tapes that might be useful if they obtained the agreement of the participants. She said that she would like to work with Mrs. Fletcher and try to come up with a good package of inservice materials.



Re: FOLLOW-UP OF MCCPTA SOCIAL STUDIES  
REPORT

Mrs. Ruth Harris, chairman of the MCCPTA Social Studies Committee, thanked the Board for the opportunity to comment. She presented the Board with a chart illustrating their concern about the U.S. History program, and she noted that the 1980 results of the college boards continued the trend of dropping in percentile rank. For the first time in their records, it fell below that for the average of the State of Maryland. In 1977 Montgomery County scored at the 67th percentile. In 1980 it dropped to the 61st percentile; however, the national average was constant through the 1977-1980 period of time. Mrs. Harris said that to the committee members this meant that the curriculum change that occurred in 1975 had had an adverse effect on the program. They felt that the splitting up of the one year of U.S. History probably contributed to a lessening of the mastery of the subject. She reported that the members of the committee were unanimous that U. S. History should be taught in one year. She felt that in the core of courses they would like to see Advanced Placement U. S. History in the A column. She pointed out that Prince George's did allow students to take AP U. S. History instead of regular U. S. History.

Mrs. Maeva Marcus stated that while they were very pleased with the agreement that the sequence of history courses should be changed they felt the Board should pay attention to the content of the courses, particularly Contemporary Issues. She said that they did advocate one semester of a non-U. S. History course, not a World History course. They felt it was more valuable to learn the history of one country in depth. Mrs. Harris indicated that a number of colleges stipulate they would like students to have a year of the history of another country or a region. Mrs. Spencer asked whether they could consider Russian history as being an acceptable course. Mrs. Lois Stoner replied that they would.

Dr. Lois Martin, associate superintendent for instruction and program development, thanked the committee for their clarification of their recommendations. She said that one of their concerns related to the issue of how they could put a 9-12 program together. She called attention to page 5 of the superintendent's paper which suggested that this could be done through grade level requirements, a required sequence or a suggested sequence. Mrs. Wallace expressed her appreciation for MCCPTA's and the staff's efforts. She commented that she had been concerned that history was not looked at as a living subject. She felt that students should learn from past experiences and not just memorize dates. She said that to get the most out of a course such as Contemporary Issues a student had to have the background of U.S. History and World History. She said that she would like to offer Option D because she thought that Government belonged in the ninth grade and Contemporary Issues should be in the twelfth grade as the culmination. She would prefer World History first and U. S. History second. She hoped that they could work with history teachers to bring the subject along. She explained that she believed that when a student went into ninth grade this was the prime age to capture his interest in government and citizenship.

Dr. Shaw stated that he would have real reservations about a one semester course in the ninth grade. Dr. Richard Wilson, coordinator of secondary social studies, commented that some people were concerned that the ninth grade was already too crowded.

Miss Williams asked whether they had considered a change in the curriculum for Contemporary Issues because right now it was a survey course. Mrs. Wallace felt that Contemporary Issues should teach the ability to look at all the issues and try to prepare students for viable experiences including voting. Mr. Ewing said he would like to ask about the issue of the extent to which they should concern themselves with preparing students to be thoroughly aware of history other than American history. He believed that high school students should have some acquaintance with the history of some other part of the world. He

suggested they needed to look at the history of Africa, South America, and the Far East. He wondered what they were doing about that and what they ought to do about that. Dr. Gabriel Massaro, director of the Department of Instructional Planning and Development, replied that they had totally revised the content areas in the K-8 program. There they did look at Latin America, Africa, and Asia. As a former history teacher, Dr. Shaw said that he was concerned about the actual illiteracy of their students on anything other than U. S. History.

Mr. Barse pointed out that he, Dr. Greenblatt, Dr. Shaw, and Mr. Ewing all had graduate degrees in history. He thought that they should focus on the next steps and called attention to the last paragraph asking the Council on Instruction to examine the recommendations and provide a report to the superintendent by February 1. He said that if he were asked to pick one of the options he would have to pick Option A. He shared Mrs. Stoner's views on world history because he did not think there was any thing such as world history or world architecture. He felt that a survey course was a superficial approach or just a series of disconnected dates, names, places, and events. He thought it was much more important to develop critical thinking in the field of history. He indicated that he had a strong empathy with Mrs. Wallace's remarks on Contemporary Issues which he believed should be restructured and belonged in the twelfth grade. He thought that they should have a citizenship course in the ninth grade, U. S. History in the tenth grade, one-half required credit of any course in the eleventh grade, and one semester of Contemporary Issues in the twelfth grade.

Mrs. Spencer said that if she understood Option 3 by having something required in the twelfth grade they would begin to fill out that void. She wondered what other school systems did nationally about the placement of U. S. History. Dr. Wilson replied that nationally it was Grade 11; however, in Maryland it was split between Grade 10 and Grade 11. Mrs. Spencer asked whether a student could take Russian History in lieu of World History. Dr. Martin indicated that they would have to address this.

The superintendent remarked that it would be nice to have everything fall into place, but it never did. He said that at some point in time they had look at the core which was what they offered, not what was required. He felt that they did need to get back to the Board with alternative proposals. Dr. Shaw commented that he had a problem with requiring these subjects in a particular year beyond the ninth grade.

Mrs. Zappone noted that in 1980 there were 240 of their students who had taken the college boards which was 27 percent of those taking it in Maryland. She asked about the number taking it in Prince George's. Dr. Wilson replied that last year Prince George's had 50 and Anne Arundel had 40. Mrs. Harris remarked that these were supposed to be their top students. She said their aptitudes had not changed but their achievements on U.S. History had dropped.

It seemed to Mr. Ewing that it was important for them to decide what was taught and what objectives were achieved. He felt that the sequence of the courses was much less important, but they did have to make sure they were not putting students at a disadvantage when they took tests. Dr. Martin said they might want to make it known to students that they could take the college boards at any time.

Dr. Greenblatt remarked that the Board was going to have to make a decision about whether or not to increase the number of required social studies courses. She did not think that students should be taking elective courses until they had had U. S. History and World History. She wondered whether economics could be identified as part of Contemporary Issues. She thought they should be requiring a World History which could be a survey before students got into depth in the next course. She thought they should consider a 3.5 requirement in social studies with the fourth year being a required social studies experience. She said she had heard

that some students had gotten out of history by taking a job at McDonalds. She understood that there were quite a few courses being considered for the social studies requirement that were not social studies courses and asked that this be checked into. Dr. Shaw explained that for those seniors need a social studies credit it was possible to get a credit for the Work Experience Program.

Mrs. Wallace thought that Contemporary Issues belonged at the twelfth grade level if it were upgraded. She felt that this should be the culminating experience. She said that World History, if properly taught, could be a very good year-long survey course. She would prefer to see U. S. History in Grade 11. Dr. Shaw indicated that he would be agreeable to have a full year of required non-U.S. History. It might be a semester of World History or semester courses in Russian History or the history of other countries. He thanked the people who had worked on the committee and indicated that he was looking forward to future meetings on this topic. Mrs. Harris thanked the Board and expressed her appreciation for Dr. Martin's cooperation.

RESOLUTION NO. 614-80                      Re:    BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA

On motion of Mrs. Spencer seconded by Mrs. Zappone, the following resolution was adopted with Mr. Barse, Mr. Ewing, Dr. Shaw, Mrs. Spencer, Mrs. Wallace, and Mrs. Zappone voting in the affirmative; Dr. Greenblatt being temporarily absent (Miss Williams affirmative):

Resolved, That the Board of Education modify its agenda to take up the item on MCR prior to the discussion of the basic core of courses.

Re:    DISCUSSION WITH MCR ON CALENDAR OF  
      MEETINGS WITH THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Miss Stephanie Roman stated that the Board had met regularly in the past with students from various administrative areas but that these meetings had been discontinued. She thought it would be a good idea to reinstate them since feedback from students is valuable and would offer the students an opportunity to become aware of how the system works. In the past they had met at least six times a year.

Dr. Shaw asked if her view was the position of MCR or of the students in general. Miss Roman responded that it was the position of students in general; however, Mr. Settlemeyer stated that MCR also was in favor of having regular meetings with the Board. Mrs. Wallace asked if they would want to meet with the entire Board or with two or three members who would return to the full Board with a report. Miss Roman felt it was important for all members to meet and thought the length of the meeting should be about one and one-half hours. Miss Williams agreed that it was important that the entire Board meet. She also thought it was important that the Board go to each area.

Mr. Ewing thought the Board ought to commit itself to doing what MCR suggested. He did not think it was too much to expend for hearing students' concerns about the quality and nature of their educational experiences. He thought the Board would benefit from that.

Mrs. Wallace asked about the feasibility of MCR joining with MCJC. Although Miss Roman did not think that that was the best idea, Mrs. Wallace asked that she give the idea further thought after meeting with the group; she felt they would get different perspectives if they attended meetings and heard problems being discussed.

Mr. Barse asked if the format for the meeting would be similar to that of the Takoma Park meeting with the Hispanics, that is, the Board listening to the students. He believed it had to

be organized unless the intention was to have a dialogue. Mrs. Zappone thought an informal discussion with the students would be productive. She hoped the students would be aware of the ground rules and not think the Board would hear individual grievances.

Dr. Shaw suggested that the Board give consideration to MCR's request. He indicated it might be desirable for MCR officers to meet with the Board to work out a plan. He asked that MCR's concerns and requests be pursued and that a plan emerge to address them.

Re: BASIC CORE OF COURSE OFFERINGS

Mrs. Zappone moved approval of the basic core, and Mrs. Spencer seconded the motion.

Miss Stephanie Roman stated that MCR had voted to support the concept of the core. They did hope that the core would not discourage students from taking Category 2 courses. She reported that MCR had discussed extending the school day, transporting pupils between schools, and sharing teachers between schools. Dr. Greenblatt asked whether anything in the contract with MCEA would prohibit MCPS from extending the school day. The superintendent agreed to look into this. Dr. Greenblatt also asked that the superintendent look into the idea of providing transportation between schools because it was an equity issue. Dr. Shaw remarked that in the past they had had students provide their own transportation when they wanted a course in another school, and in some instances it was possible to provide additional bus runs. He felt that there were some possibilities here. Mrs. Spencer pointed out that when they got into the part-day vocational programs they would get into the extended day.

Mr. Ewing thought that a way to look at this option was to think about clustering adjacent high schools and permitting students to take courses in those adjacent high schools. He felt that if they did this they should provide transportation. Dr. Shaw pointed out that they might have to head in that direction if the enrollment decline continued. Mrs. Wallace said this would probably cause students to miss one class period because of the time required to get to another school. Mr. Ewing suggested that they could have the cluster high schools start at different hours. It seemed to Mr. Barse that the crucial question was which courses would be the ones involved in this cluster enrollment plan. He said they could apply the option of transportation only to the Category 2 courses. Mr. Ewing commented that it was the Category 3 courses that they often had the most trouble with.

Mr. Barse inquired about the distinction between Category 2 and Category 3 courses and asked about minimum enrollments. The superintendent replied that the Category 3 courses were the remainder of the approved courses the school system offered. He said they would guarantee the Category 1 courses, and they would offer Category 2 courses if they had a minimum enrollment of 15. Category 3 would vary depending on student assignments. He said that depending on student assignments and the budget the principal would have the latitude to offer the Category 3 course. Miss Williams thought that the principal and faculty could decide about offering Category 3 courses and that Category 3 was a supplemental list.

Dr. Greenblatt suggested that in regard to Category 1 courses they say these would be offered at the home school or transportation would be provided to another school. The superintendent pointed out that they did not have that option based on the policy adopted by the Board. He said that these courses had to be offered in the home school regardless of the enrollment until the Board wished to consider changing its policy. Dr. Pitt did not believe they were talking about any Category 1 courses which would have an enrollment of one or two students. He thought they would have at least ten students in each of these courses. The superintendent explained that they were trying to get the equity issue out and get these courses in each school. He pointed out that as the high schools became smaller this would be more costly to do.

Dr. Shaw asked whether they would still have the option of combinations in the upper level foreign languages, and the superintendent indicated that they would still have this option. Mrs. Wallace asked about the possibility of moving some foreign languages to Category 2 and saying transportation could be provided to an adjacent school. Dr. Shaw asked whether anyone was interested in Dr. Greenblatt's proposal about transportation and Category 1. Mr. Barse replied that he would not be interested in applying that to Category 1. Miss Williams thought they could consider transporting in Category 2. Mr. Ewing agreed with Mr. Barse that Category 1 should not include transportation. Mrs. Zappone remarked that the point of Category 1 was to get a minimum offering at any one physical plant. She did think that some upper level language courses could be in Category 2. She said that as a school got smaller and couldn't support these courses they should look at the school.

Mrs. Spencer called attention to the foreign language courses in the junior high school and pointed out that usually these courses were half speed and required two years to get one year of a language. Dr. Pitt replied that the ninth graders did receive a full year of a language in one year. Mrs. Spencer said she did not see Unified Math in Category 1 and 2. Mr. William Clark, director of the Division of Academic Skills, explained that they thought this should be at the principal's discretion. He said that when they began the program they tried to have a six-year program, but then they began to have problems with textbooks. They had advised the schools that they would support the program at the seventh and eighth grade level but recommended that it be phased out of the high schools. Mrs. Spencer said that in the section on instrumental music they were slighting the string instruments, and she wondered why they were not supporting a symphonic orchestra. Dr. Bert Damron, coordinator of instrumental music, explained that at the present time seven high schools did not offer an orchestra.

In regard to vocational programs, Mrs. Spencer thought they were going to get into Title IX problems. She felt that they should offer at least one program that would be interesting to members of both sexes. Dr. Frank Carricato, director of the Division of Career and Vocational Education, explained that the business education offerings were sufficient to permit a male or female student to complete the clerical or stenographic program.

Mrs. Wallace noted that both foreign languages in Category 1 were romance languages. She did not see Latin or German and would suggest that each high school offer one romance language and German or Latin. She felt that at the very least these should be Category 2 courses.\* She commended the staff for the change in the placement of Driver Education. She said that Career Education fell in just about the same category. She wondered whether this was something they offered if they had only one student. Dr. Massaro pointed out that that one student might be working in the office of a senator. Mrs. Wallace thought there should be a separate category of courses that were offered from the top but necessarily administered from each school.

\*Mrs. Spencer left the meeting at this point.

Mr. Barse said that in view of all the problems raised and the issues raised he would move that this item be postponed until the all-day Board meeting in March. Dr. Greenblatt thought they should adopt a basic core of Category 1 and 2 courses to become operative in September. The core could be reviewed again prior to next year's scheduling. It was clear to Mr. Ewing that they would not get a decision today, and he did think it was important to get staff feedback and a decision in time for registration for all of 1981. Dr. Shaw pointed out that they would have to adopt this before January.\*\*

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Mr. Ewing commented that this was a matter of enormous interest to the public, and he thought they should ask the public, MCCSSE and MCEA to comment on what was being proposed here. He said he did have a series of questions. It was unclear to him under what circumstances Category 3 courses would be offered. There was really no rationale for what was not included in Categories 1 and 2. He was very concerned in social studies and foreign languages that they had an emphasis that was western and American. He believed that Mrs. Wallace was right about making languages available. He thought there were all kinds of ways of doing this if they were willing to cluster the high schools. In regard to social studies, he was deeply concerned that high school students would graduate and not have any knowledge of cultures other than their own.

Miss Williams thought they needed to deal with this soon. She thought they should inform students of the Category 2 choices. In terms of driver education, she had noticed it was moved to Category 2; however, State Bylaws required it be offered to every student. She pointed out that the Student Leadership course had been left out of Categories 1, 2, and 3. She said that Advanced Drama was being cut out, and this was the program that supplied the personnel to run the shows.

Dr. Greenblatt pointed out that students did not need the fifth and sixth year of a language. Dr. Massaro agreed and indicated that many colleges did not have a language requirement. Miss Louise Winfield, coordinator of foreign languages, stated that more often there was a graduation requirement from the college for a language. Dr. Greenblatt inquired about how students to level 6. Miss Winfield replied that many students had lived abroad and might be placed at Level 4 in tenth grade. FLES students could also be placed in French 2 at the eighth grade. They had French 6 in 10 high schools and Spanish 6 in three high schools. Dr. Greenblatt said that in Category 2 she would like to see some kind of offerings in some other languages. Dr. Shaw pointed out that they might have teacher problems. Dr. Pitt indicated that there were cost factors that would have to be figured in. If they had 15 youngsters start a language, attrition might bring that down to 4 or 5 youngsters at Level 3 or 4. Dr. Greenblatt thought they could guarantee two or three years of a language if a sufficient number started the language. She felt that two years of Latin should be available or two years of German. She thought there should be one listing of other World History courses in Category 2. Dr. Shaw felt there might be problems in getting qualified teachers.

RESOLUTION NO. 615-80

Re: TABLING OF BASIC CORE OF COURSE OFFERINGS

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

Resolved, That the basic core of course offerings be tabled.

Re: ITEMS OF INFORMATION

Board members received the following items of information:

1. Items in Process

2. Construction Progress Report
3. Status Report -- Master plan for School Facilities
4. Confirmation of Fund Awards on CETA Supported Projects
5. Enrollment/Staffing; Statutory Compliance in Programs for Handicapped Students
6. Update on Category 15
7. Information on Equity of Program and Materials in Junior High School Learning Centers
8. Property Destruction Report -- FY 1980
9. Northwood High School Bleachers (Area 2)
10. Item Identification, Furniture and Equipment
11. FY 1982 Operating Budget Format
12. MCCPTA - ETI Proposal for a Support System for Parents of Children with Special Needs
13. September 30 Enrollment

Re: ADJOURNMENT

The president adjourned the meeting at 5:20 p.m.

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PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY

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