The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at the Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Thursday, February 10, 1983, at 9 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Blair G. Ewing, President in the Chair
Dr. James E. Cronin
Dr. Marian L. Greenblatt
Mr. Kurt Hirsch
Mrs. Suzanne K. Peyser
Mrs. Marilyn J. Praisner
Mrs. Odessa M. Shannon
Dr. Robert E. Shoenberg

Absent: None

Others Present: Dr. Edward Andrews, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Harry Pitt, Deputy Superintendent
Dr. Robert S. Shaffner, Executive Assistant
Mr. Thomas S. Fess, Parliamentarian

Re: Announcement

Mr. Ewing announced that the Board had been meeting in executive session from 5:30 to 9 p.m. on matters dealing with the superintendent search process.

Resolution No. 118-83

Re: Resolution to Reconsider Smoking Area Policy

On motion of Dr. Cronin seconded by Mr. Hirsch, the following resolution was adopted with Dr. Cronin, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Praisner, Mrs. Shannon, and Dr. Shoenberg voting in the affirmative; Dr. Greenblatt and Mrs. Peyser voting in the negative (Mr. Hirsch voting in the affirmative):

Resolved, That the Board reconsider the smoking area policy for adaptation, modification, or rescission.

Resolution No. 119-83

Re: Smoking Area Policy

On motion of Dr. Cronin seconded by Mrs. Praisner, the following resolution was adopted with Dr. Cronin, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Praisner, Mrs. Shannon, and Dr. Shoenberg voting in the affirmative; Dr. Greenblatt and Mrs. Peyser voting in the negative (Mr. Hirsch voting in the affirmative):

Resolved, That at the present time the Board take no action on the smoking area policy but ask the superintendent at the May evening
meeting to give the Board a policy regarding local option in the high schools that each high school principal in conjunction with the PTSA and student government in that high school would discuss the issue in the school and then determine, under regulations set by the superintendent, whether or not that school would have a designated smoking area or designate itself as a no-smoking school.

Resolution No. 120-83  Re:  Taking from the Table a Proposed Resolution on Safety and Security Assistants

On motion of Mr. Hirsch seconded by Mrs. Praisner, the following resolution was adopted with Dr. Cronin, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Praisner, Mrs. Shannon, and Dr. Shoenberg voting in the affirmative; Dr. Greenblatt voting in the negative; Mrs. Peyser abstaining (Mr. Hirsch voting in the affirmative):

Resolved, That the proposed resolution on safety and security assistants be taken from the table.

Re: A Motion by Dr. Greenblatt to Amend the Motion on Safety and Security Assistants (FAILED)

A motion by Dr. Greenblatt to amend the motion to delete 16.5 security assistant positions by deleting only 4.5 positions failed with Dr. Greenblatt and Mrs. Peyser voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cronin, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Praisner, Mrs. Shannon, and Dr. Shoenberg voting in the negative (Mr. Hirsch voting in the negative).

Resolution No. 121-83  Re:  An Amendment to the FY 1984 Operating Budget, Category 2 (Senior High Schools)

On motion of Mrs. Praisner seconded by Mr. Hirsch, the following resolution was adopted with Dr. Cronin, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Praisner, Mrs. Shannon, and Dr. Shoenberg voting in the affirmative; Dr. Greenblatt and Mrs. Peyser voting in the negative (Mr. Hirsch voting in the affirmative):

Resolved, That the superintendent's FY 1984 operating budget be amended by deleting 16.5 safety and security assistant positions, Category 2, Senior High Schools in the amount of $218,328.

Resolution No. 122-83  Re:  An Amendment to the FY 1984 Operating Budget Category 5 (Pupil Transportation)

On motion of Mrs. Peyser seconded by Dr. Greenblatt, the following resolution was adopted with Dr. Greenblatt, Mrs. Peyser, Mrs. Praisner, and Dr. Shoenberg voting in the affirmative; Mr. Ewing voting in the negative; Dr. Cronin and Mrs. Shannon abstaining (Mr. Hirsch abstaining):
Resolved, That the superintendent's FY 1984 operating budget be reduced by $134,563 by reducing gasoline to $1.025 per gallon, Category 7, Pupil Transportation.

Re: A Motion by Mrs. Peyser on Summer School Tuition

Mrs. Peyser moved and Dr. Greenblatt seconded that the summer school tuition charge be increased to $50 for a one semester half-credit course and for a whole elementary/middle school course and out of county students be charged $192 and $375 respectively, and that the Board continue the waivers for those who could not afford to pay and for the basic skills program.

Resolution No. 123-83 Re: Postponement of Motion on Summer School Tuition

On motion of Mrs. Praisner seconded by Mrs. Shannon, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the proposed motion on summer school tuition be postponed until February 22, 1983.

Resolution No. 124-83 Re: Amendment to the Agenda for February 10, 1983

On motion of Dr. Cronin seconded by Mr. Hirsch, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the Board amend its agenda for February 10, 1983, to take up the question of the technical services positions.

Re: A Motion by Mrs. Peyser to Amend the FY 1984 Operating Budget, Category 2 (Senior High Schools (FAILED)

A motion by Mrs. Peyser to amend the superintendent's FY 1984 operating budget by changing the technical services assistant positions from 12-month to 10-month, Category 2, Senior High Schools, in the amount of $96,015 failed with Dr. Greenblatt and Mrs. Peyser voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cronin, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Praisner, Mrs. Shannon, and Dr. Shoenberg voting in the negative (Mr. Hirsch voting in the negative).

Resolution No. 125-83 Re: Technical Services Assistant Positions

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

Resolved, That the superintendent be requested to study 10-month versus 12-month for career information and technical services
assistants and report back to the Board in the spring as to whether economies could be made.

Resolution No. 126-83  Re:  An Amendment to the FY 1984 Operating Budget, Category 1 (Superintendent)

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

Resolved, That the superintendent's FY 1984 operating budget be amended by adding $5,300 for student Board-member election and transferring $700 from the Board of Education accounts to the Deputy Superintendent's accounts.

Re:  A Motion by Mrs. Peyser to Amend the FY 1984 Operating Budget, Category 1 (Superintendent) (FAILED)

A motion by Mrs. Peyser to amend the superintendent's FY 1984 operating budget by reducing a Secretary II position in the Deputy Superintendent's office from 1 to .5 failed with Dr. Greenblatt and Mrs. Peyser voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cronin, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Praisner, Mrs. Shannon, and Dr. Shoenberg voting in the negative (Mr. Hirsch voting in the negative).

Re:  A Motion by Mrs. Peyser to Amend the FY 1984 Operating Budget, Category 1 (Employee Assistance Program) (FAILED)

A motion by Mrs. Peyser to amend the superintendent's FY 1984 operating budget, Category 1, Employee Assistance Program, by deleting one position in the amount of $37,838 failed with Dr. Greenblatt and Mrs. Peyser voting in the affirmative; Dr. Cronin, Mr. Ewing, Mrs. Praisner, Mrs. Shannon, and Dr. Shoenberg voting in the negative (Mr. Hirsch voting in the negative).

Resolution No. 127-83  Re:  Adjournment

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

Resolved, That the Board of Education adjourn its meeting at 11:20 p.m.

President

Secretary

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