The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at Wheaton High School, Wheaton, Maryland, on Thursday, February 28, 1985, at 7:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL  

Present:  Dr. Robert E. Shoenberg, President in the Chair  
Dr. James E. Cronin  
Mrs. Sharon DiFonzo  
Miss Jacquie Duby  
Mr. Blair G. Ewing  
Dr. Jeremiah Floyd  
Mrs. Marilyn J. Praisner  
Mrs. Mary Margaret Slye

Absent:  None

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

Re:  Public Hearing for Springbrook High School

The following individuals appeared before the Board of Education:

Stephen Brush, Cathy Queen, Angelo Caputo, and Joanna Vitale.

Re:  Public Hearing for White Oak Intermediate

Mrs. Ruby Rubens appeared before the Board of Education.

Re:  Dialogue with the Board of Education

Mrs. Praisner asked for school system enrollments projections for the years 1990-1995 at Springbrook, High School, White Oak Junior High School, and Kennedy High School. She also requested staff estimates of the cost of getting the programs in place at White Oak or at Key.

Re:  Public Hearing for Broad Acres Elementary

Martha Sue Kaltsukis appeared before the Board of Education.

Re:  Public Hearing for Cresthaven Elementary
Charles Douglass appeared before the Board of Education.

Re: Public Hearing for Forest Knolls Elementary

Margaret Donnelly and Norman Goldstein appeared before the Board of Education.

Re: Public Hearing for Glen Haven Elementary

Bob Delemarre appeared before the Board of Education.

Re: Public Hearing for Jackson Road Elementary

Joan Patterson appeared before the Board of Education.

Re: Public Hearing for Kemp Mill Elementary

Gail Lee Cafferata appeared before the Board of Education.

Re: Public Hearing for Montgomery Knolls/Pine Crest Elementary

Pam Magrath and Billie Cirrincione appeared before the Board of Education.

Re: Public Hearing for Oakland Terrace Elementary

Richard Whitney appeared before the Board of Education.

Re: Dialogue with the Board of Education

Dr. Cronin inquired about the future of the orthopedically handicapped program through 1995. Dr. Shoenberg asked whether they had students in the orthopedically handicapped program at Kennedy who needed the portable classrooms, and Dr. Cronin asked what would be required to stop that practice.

Re: Public Hearing for Cannon Road Elementary

John Bowen appeared before the Board of Education.

Re: Public Hearing for Stonegate Elementary

Jane Nehl appeared before the Board of Education.

Re: Public Hearing for Westover
The following individuals appeared before the Board of Education:
Marianne Kleiner, Mary Kraynak, and Paul Berman.

Re: Dialogue with the Board of Education

Dr. Cronin requested a written response to the Board and Mr. Berman as to why anyone would want to move students for two years and then consider moving them again in 1987. Mrs. Praisner requested staff to provide in writing an explanation of how, if at all, the enrollment projections related to planned developments with approvals to build as opposed to developments that were on the books and not approved through the zoning process. She also assumed that Dr. Cody was still recommending his original proposal although he had developed the alternatives. She noted that the recommendations referred to the relocation of the QIE offices out of Cannon Road, and she asked where the program would be relocated.

Re: Public Hearing for Gaithersburg Elementary

Avril Forster appeared before the Board of Education.

Re: Dialogue with the Board of Education

Mr. Ewing asked whether there was any reason why as they adopted changes in Gaithersburg boundaries affecting the Quail Valley students that those students who wished to complete sixth grade could not do so.

Re: Public Hearing for Lakewood Elementary

Ruth Melser and Bill Ott appeared before the Board of Education.

Re: Dialogue with the Board of Education

Dr. Cronin requested that staff provide the Board with answers to the questions raised by Mrs. Melser regarding a task force and how they would approach boundaries. He noted a sentence on page 46 of the final recommendations that consideration of boundary changes in relation to approved new school construction should be part of the 1985 annual update, and he asked for some idea of how they would approach that. Mrs. Praisner assumed that staff was saying that because of the central location separate buses would be used for the magnet program but it would be cost effective because distances would be reduced. She requested a staff response on the cost of transportation.

Re: Public Hearing for the Bridge
School

Marge Samels appeared before the Board of Education.

Re: Dialogue with the Board of Education

Dr. Shoenberg inquired about the possibility of moving the senior high program to Churchill next year as the junior high program moved to Hoover.

Re: Adjournment

The president adjourned the meeting at 11:05 p.m.

President
Secretary

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