The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Thursday, February 27, 1986, at 7:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: None

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

Re: PUBLIC HEARING FOR FAIRLAND ELEMENTARY

Betty Jo Gemmill appeared before the Board of Education.

Re: PUBLIC HEARING FOR OLNEY ELEMENTARY

Bob Allen and Robert Robeson appeared before the Board of Education.

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Dr. Cronin requested an update on the condition of Cloverly Elementary. Mrs. Praisner asked for a staff response on the need for portables in time for the March 11 capital budget decisions. In particular, she was concerned about Fairland. She also inquired about the status of her request for information on sites in the Route 29 corridor.

In regard to Olney Elementary, Mrs. Praisner asked for information on the grades of the students from Olney Towne. She asked staff if they had considered other proposals for Olney boundaries. She also requested information on the grades of the students transferring into Olney. Mrs. DiFonzo asked for the names of the schools the students had transferred from. She requested information on the long-term yields of the Olney Towne development. Mr. Ewing asked if Olney Elementary was now closed to transfers in. He asked the superintendent to respond to the fairness issue of moving students out of a school where there was a similar number of out-of-area transfer students in the school.

Re: PUBLIC HEARING FOR FLOWER HILL
Elementary

Lindy Rizzo appeared before the Board of Education

Re: PUBLIC HEARING FOR RIDGEVIEW JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

William Hillshafer appeared before the Board of Education.

Re: PUBLIC HEARING FOR MARTIN LUTHER KING JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Dorothy Parise appeared before the Board of Education.

Re: PUBLIC HEARING FOR LAKE SENeca ELEMENTARY

Janice Lindsay, Michael Trentadue, and Rob Van Tassel appeared before the Board of Education.

Re: PUBLIC HEARING FOR LAKEWOOD ELEMENTARY

Brenda Kean Tabor and Rosemarie Manzell appeared before the Board of Education.

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Dr. Floyd asked staff to respond to Mrs. Tabor's testimony. Dr. Cody indicated that the Board would be receiving a new recommendation about the Darnestown area site at the next meeting. Mr. Ewing asked when they would be able to settle the attendance areas for the entire Germantown area.

In regard to the Lakewood testimony, Mr. Ewing asked for a response to questions raised on page 6 and information on the number of portables for that school. Mrs. Praisner inquired about the capacity of Lakewood.

Mrs. Praisner asked for a response to Flower Hill's request for more portables. She also requested that the timetable for establishing the Quince Orchard High School program and for the selection of the administrator be shared with the Ridgeview community.

Mrs. DiFonzo asked for a staff reaction to the Lake Seneca extended campus plan. Mrs. Slye asked about the number of housing units projected to be built in the Flower Hill/Laytonsville area as well as in the greater Darnestown area (between Germantown and Wootton). She asked whether staff had done a comparison between projected yields and actual yields. Mrs. Praisner suggested taking an actual area and seeing whether opening a new school had an effect on the rate of building in that school's service area.

Mrs. Praisner recalled that the Riffleford Road site was to be a
relief for the area north of the school. She asked how the Jones Lane site was going to address this problem, and she recalled that the Jones Lane site was very close to two other schools in the Darnestown/Travilah area.

Re:  ADJOURNMENT

The president adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

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President

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Secretary

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