The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Wednesday, November 19, 1986, at 7:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Dr. Jeremiah Floyd, Vice President in the Chair
Mrs. Sharon DiFonzo
Mr. Blair G. Ewing
Mrs. Marilyn J. Praisner
Dr. Robert E. Shoenberg
Mrs. Mary Margaret Slye
Mr. Eric Steinberg

Absent: Dr. James E. Cronin

Others Present: Dr. Wilmer S. Cody, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Harry Pitt, Deputy Superintendent
Mr. Thomas S. Fess, Parliamentarian
Mr. Bruce A. Goldensohn, Board Member-elect

Re: ANNOUNCEMENT

Dr. Floyd announced that Dr. Cronin had been absent from the hearings because his mother had undergone eye surgery.

Re: PUBLIC HEARING - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM AND FACILITIES PROCESS

The following individuals appeared before the Board of Education:

1. Kay Davis, Blair Advisory Council
2. Dale Majerle, Oak View Appellants

Re: BLAIR CLUSTER

The following individuals appeared before the Board:

1. Eric Peterson, Sligo-Branview/Long Branch Civic Associations
2. Joe Steinbock and Linda Williams, Cluster Coordinators
3. Mike McDermott, East Silver Spring
4. Ed Silverstein, Montgomery Knolls/Pine Crest
5. Michael Malbin, Oak View

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Dr. Shoenberg inquired about the capacity ratings for Blair High School. Dr. Phil Rohr, director of planning, indicated that he would have a better response for the Board on November 25. Board members asked that he look at Blair in light of the testimony given by the Blair Advisory Council. Dr. Shoenberg spoke to requests for relocatables being considered in the spring. He asked that the
superintendent provide an appropriate vehicle if they had to make changes regard programmatic changes and relocatables for Oak View.

Re: EINSTEIN CLUSTER

The following individuals appeared before the Board of Education:
1. Donna Wilcox, Cluster Coordinator
2. Judy Treanor, Highland Elementary
3. Barbara Faigin, Sligo Middle School
4. Joe Henson, Woodlin Elementary
5. Barry Katz, Woodside Forest Civic Association

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Mrs. Praisner asked that staff get back to her on the possibility of doing an analysis on the ratings of buildings before they became community schools and after they became community schools.

Re: KENNEDY CLUSTER

Phyllis Feldman appeared before the Board.

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Mrs. Praisner requested that staff share with the Board and the community a time schedule for middle school discussions in the Kennedy Cluster.

Re: PAINT BRANCH CLUSTER

Claire Iseli appeared before the Board.

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

In regard to Fairland, Mrs. Praisner requested the dates of any modernizations and additions and the rating of the school in relation to the ratings of other schools being modernized. Mrs. Praisner requested a staff reaction to the idea of a middle school and its impact on the Banneker building and need for an addition. She wanted to know about impacts on the core facility and the cost of converting a school to a middle school. She requested any information the staff had about the ideal size for a middle school.

Re: SHERWOOD CLUSTER

The following individuals appeared before the Board:

1. Dr. Samuel W. Cushman, Cluster Coordinator
2. Cillie Gerstenzang
3. John Donaldson
4. Stephen Z. Kaufman, Esquire

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE
Dr. Cody indicated that he would put in a design study for Sherwood, architectural planning, and construction in the capital budget. The staff would provide an estimate of the cost of remodeling. Mrs. Praisner asked the staff to respond about the problem at Olney Elementary.

Re: SPRINGBROOK CLUSTER

Kathryn Queen and Joan Patterson appeared before the Board.

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Mrs. Praisner requested information on the core facilities at Cresthaven, and Dr. Rohr indicated that he would have that information on November 25. Mrs. Praisner asked staff to provide the Board with a list of the day-care facilities they had obtained from the county government. Dr. Shoenberg asked staff to look at the size of the addition needed at Cresthaven if a boundary change were not made. He asked staff to respond to the testimony provided by the Springbrook cluster regarding Cresthaven.

Re: WHEATON CLUSTER

Judy Tankersley appeared before the Board.

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Mrs. Praisner requested an explanation in writing of the differences in capacity figures for Wheaton High School. Dr. Floyd asked that staff provide the Board with an executive summary of what had been proposed in these facilities decisions prior to Board action on November 24 and 25.

Re: ADJOURNMENT

The vice president adjourned the meeting at 11 p.m.

VICE PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

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