The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Monday, December 12, 1988, at 7:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL     Present:  Mrs. Sharon DiFonzo, President in the Chair
                 Dr. James E. Cronin
                 Mr. Blair G. Ewing
                 Mr. Bruce A. Goldensohn
                 Mrs. Catherine E. Hobbs
                 Mr. Chan Park
                 Mrs. Marilyn J. Praisner
                 Dr. Robert E. Shoenberg

Absent:  None

Others Present:  Dr. Harry Pitt, Superintendent of Schools
                 Dr. Paul L. Vance, Deputy Superintendent

Re:  PUBLIC HEARING - LONGMEAD SUBDIVISION REASSIGNMENT FROM THE SHERWOOD TO THE KENNEDY CLUSTER

Mrs. DiFonzo explained the rules of procedure for the hearing and reported that the Board would be making its decision on December 13, at its all-day business meeting.

Re:  MUNICIPALITIES, COUNTYWIDE ORGANIZATIONS, AND CIVIC ASSOCIATIONS

The following individuals appeared before the Board:

1.  Thomas Loveless, Argyle Village Homeowners
2.  Larry Rotondo, Longmead Crossing Services Association

Re:  KENNEDY CLUSTER

Mary Batcher, cluster co-coordinator, appeared before the Board

Re:  SHERWOOD CLUSTER

Howard Zuses, cluster coordinator, appeared before the Board.

Re:  BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

For the record, Mrs. Hobbs thanked Mr. Zuses for the difficult job he had done. She stated that here they had a new community that was going to solve a problem that had existed and had been allowed to continue in the Kennedy Cluster. Bel Pre Elementary School was 1.7 miles from Longmead Crossing, and Strathmore was 1.8 miles. She realized that boundaries within the Kennedy Cluster would be change,
but she sensed that Longmead was earmarked to go to Strathmore which wasn't fair. She pointed out that if the children from Longmead remained at Sherwood Elementary School, this would require four more portables, but the enrollment would justify an assistant principal, a full-time counselor, and two full-time secretaries instead of 1.5 positions.

Re: ADJOURNMENT

The president adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

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PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY

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