The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Wednesday, January 10, 2001, at 7:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL Present: Mrs. Nancy J. King, President
in the Chair
Mr. Kermit V. Burnett
Ms. Sharon Cox
Mr. Walter Lange
Mrs. Patricia B. O’Neill
Mr. Christopher Lloyd, Student Board Member
Dr. Jerry Weast, Secretary/Treasurer

Absent: Mr. Stephen Abrams
Mr. Reginald M. Felton

Re: FY 2002 OPERATING BUDGET HEARING

The following people testified before the Board of Education:

1. Head Start Parents: Fabiola Clarke
2. MCEA: Mark Simon
3. MCCPTA: Linna Barnes
4. Stephen Knolls Parent/Staff Association: Jerry Heupel
5. Sherwood Cluster: Patti Gragnani
6. Springbrook Cluster: Anne Carson and David Pena
7. Paint Branch Cluster: Anne Carson and David Pena
8. Blake Cluster: Anne Carson and David Pena
9. Kennedy/Einstein/Blair Area Coordinator: Marilyn Shoenfeld
10. Kennedy Cluster: Bill Waller
11. Einstein Cluster: Michelle Turner
12. Blair Cluster: Heidi Coleman
13. Wootton Cluster: Gigi Godwin
14. Rockville Cluster: Kevin Byrne
15. Richard Montgomery Cluster: Jerry Loux
16. Churchill Cluster: Laura Siegel
17. Outdoor Educators: Mark Granger, Bea Gordon, and three students
18. Continuous Improvement Team: Ricki Sabia
19. James Simpson
20. Title I: Christine Mizelle
21. University of Maryland, Counseling & Personnel: Dr. Kenneth Greenberg
The Board of Education asked the following questions:

1. Please clarify the issues raised in the Longview/Stephen Knolls testimony regarding class size, SEIA ratios, and staffing for FY 2002. (Mrs. King, Mr. Lange, and Ms. Cox)

2. Provide a cost/benefit analysis of the re-enrollment of incoming 9th and 10th Grade students at Blair High School. (Ms. Cox)

3. What is the projected timeline for staffing the Down County Consortium? (Ms. Cox)

4. What is the cost to add an additional guidance counselor at each middle and high school in the Einstein, Kennedy, Blair and Wheaton clusters? (Mr. Lange)

5. What is the policy for allocating resources at schools that have special programs such as Sligo Creek Elementary School? (Ms. Cox)

6. What is the cost of the six-week summer Computer and Information Technology Training Program? (Mr. Lange)

7. What is the cost to fully implement the four-day outdoor education program in all middle schools? (Mr. Lange)
8. What is the cost to add a junior varsity lacrosse program at the high school level? Compare the staff estimate with the budget submitted by the lacrosse coaches. (Mrs. O'Neill)

9. What is the cost to start a French Immersion Program (including transportation savings) in the up-county area? (Mrs. O'Neill and Ms. Cox)

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

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