The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Monday, February 2, 1987, at 8:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL Present: Mrs. Marilyn J. Praisner, President

in the Chair

Dr. James E. Cronin Mrs. Sharon DiFonzo Mr. Blair G. Ewing Mr. Bruce A. Goldensohn Dr. Robert E. Shoenberg Mrs. Mary Margaret Slye

Absent: Mr. Eric Steinberg

Others Present: Dr. Wilmer S. Cody, Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Harry Pitt, Deputy Superintendent Mr. Thomas S. Fess, Parliamentarian

Re: REVIEW OF FY 1988 OPERATING BUDGET

Board members raised the following questions:

- 1. Board members asked the superintendent to provide them with his recommendation for one program coordinator position or one secretarial position and one teacher specialist position in Career and Vocational Education.
- 2. Mrs. Praisner requested more information on how the proposed positions in Staff Development would avoid overlap and duplication and improve the assessment of training needs and delivery of training. Dr. Cronin added that he wanted information on the roles of the director, coordinator, and supervisor of teacher training and how they would function. He also requested information on the salary level
- 3. Board members requested information on worker's compensation, percentage of claims for MCPS and the county, past experience, increases over last year's budget, and whether this is underbudgeted. Mr. Ewing asked about procedures for managers who certified worker's compensation and unemployment insurance.
- 4. Mr. Ewing requested a paper on the use of microcomputers including what managers were doing, what they could do, and what they planned to do. Staff agreed to provide an item of information on the status of administrative computer support. Mrs. Slye asked that the information include how decisions were made about the mainframe use and micro-based use.
- 5. In regard to maintenance, Mr. Ewing requested information on how additional funds (up to \$1 million) could be efficiently used in this area. Dr. Cronin suggested that the response be in increments.
- 6. Mrs. Praisner asked that at some point (not necessarily now), staff provide her with information on the relationship between increased enrollment and increases in the procurement office.
- 7. Dr. Cody agreed to provide a paper on resources to implement bar

coding.

- 8. Dr. Shoenberg asked that footnote "e" on V-70 be revised to give a better explanation for the 24 buses for Gaithersburg Junior.
- 9. Dr. Cronin requested a response to the county executive about the additional cost of buses to transport students to holding schools while their schools were under renovation. Mrs. Praisner said she had asked for similar information on the cost of using a holding school versus extending the renovation time and keeping the students in their home school.

Re: ADJOURNMENT

The president adjourned the meeting at 10:15 p.m.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

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