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The Board of Education of Montgomery County met in special session at the Carver Educational Services Center, Rockville, Maryland, on Tuesday, April 7, 1992, at 7:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL Present: Mrs. Catherine Hobbs, President in the Chair Mrs. Frances Brenneman Dr. Alan Cheung Mrs. Sharon DiFonzo Mr. Blair G. Ewing Mrs. Carol Fanconi Ms. Ana Sol Gutierrez Mr. Shervin Pishevar

Absent: None

Others Present: Dr. Paul L. Vance, Superintendent Mrs. Katheryn W. Gemberling, Deputy Dr. H. Philip Rohr, Deputy Mr. Thomas S. Fess, Parliamentarian

Re: PUBLIC HEARING CIP AND FACILITIES ISSUES

The following individuals appeared before the Board:

- 1. Julianne Musgrave, LIFT
- 2. Penny Ganzel and Sarah Cotterill, Washington Area Advocates for Language Learning
- 3. Franklin Jackson, Clifton Park Civic Association
- 4. Silvia Oliva, Enid Tennant, and Graciela Martinez, Coalition of Adult ESOL Students
- 5. Michael Pfetsch, Woodmore-Pinecrest Civic Association
- 6. Silvio Zuluaga, Hispanic Alliance
- 7. David Povtak, Northwood-Four Corners Civic Association
- 8. Mark Elrich, Takoma Park City Council
- 9. Lauri Rodich, Franklin Knolls Civic Association
- 10. Jorge Ribas, Indian Springs Citizens Association and Bill Scott, Longbranch Civic Association

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Mrs. Brenneman asked staff to provide a map showing the proximity of civic associations to the Kay tract, for example, Clifton Park and other civic associations. In regard to using Northwood as a holding school, she would like information in general about holding schools because other school systems did not have this luxury. She inquired about the history of holding schools and some idea about the cost differentials of modernizing schools around the schedules of students. Re: FIFTH GRADE - GIFTED AND TALENTED - KENSINGTON PARKWOOD

The following individuals appeared before the Board:

- 1. Barbara Wilson, Kensington-Parkwood ES PTA
- 2. Joan Jacobson, Representing Parents of G&T Students

Re: BLAIR CLUSTER AND EASTERN AREA RECOMMENDATIONS

The following individuals appeared before the Board:

- 1. Margaret Ascienzo, Einstein Cluster
- 2. Sue Olson, Walter Johnson Cluster
- 3. Lisa Itté and Harry Bagdasian, Kennedy Cluster
- 4. Cyndy Brewer, Paint Branch Cluster
- 5. Sharon Matsui, Rockville Cluster

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Mrs. Brenneman inquired about extra operating costs to tie Kennedy, Einstein and Blair together in a consortium of schools.

Mr. Ewing pointed out that in the Walter Johnson cluster testimony there was mention of extending educational opportunity to all students and the possibility of sharing the resources available in the consortium at Kennedy, Einstein and Blair. He asked for Dr. Vance's comments on the extent to which that could be built in in ways that would be different from the sharing that would go on with Kennedy and Einstein but in ways that would make use of the lessons learned and the curriculum.

> Re: BLAIR CLUSTER AND EASTERN AREA RECOMMENDATIONS (CONTINUED)

The following individuals appeared before the Board:

- 1. Cillie Gerstenzang, Sherwood Cluster
- 2. Andrea Selzer and Cindy Waetjen, Springbrook Cluster
- 3. Phil Smith, Eastern Area Study Group
- 4. Barbara Henry, Sandy Nakamura, and Laura Steinberg, Blair Cluster

Re: LOCATION OF FRENCH IMMERSION PROGRAM

The following individuals appeared before the Board:

- 1. Burt Zurer and Susan Vogelsang, Oak View PTA
- 2. Jan Reed, Maryvale PTA
- 3. Terri Sedran, Connecticut Park
- 4. John Taylor, Wheaton Cluster

Re: BOARD/COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Mrs. Fanconi noted that in the Maryvale testimony there was concern about the computer equipment that might need to be expanded, and she would like staff to address the impact of the French Immersion Program on the computer equipment at Maryvale. She pointed out that the French Immersion people had talked about a miscalculation on the cost of teachers because they had larger classes, and she asked staff to check into this. Mrs. Fanconi asked that when they discuss Blair High School solutions they discuss space for the French Immersion Program. In regard to Connecticut Park, she asked staff to look at the Connecticut Park testimony about how rooms would be used for the adult learning program. She also asked about the costs of bringing the Connecticut Park playground up to current safety standards, of starting up the kitchen, and of the need to fix up some classrooms.

Mrs. DiFonzo inquired about the number of free and reduced priced meal students in the French Immersion Program. Mr. Ewing stated that he would like information on the impact of retaining the French Immersion Program at Oak View and what would be required at Oak View to sustain the program there beyond what was there presently.

> Re: CIVIC ASSOCIATIONS, COUNTYWIDE GROUPS, AND MUNICIPALITIES (CONTINUED)

The following individuals appeared before the Board:

- 1. Ralph Sullivan, Northwood Preservation League
- 2. Elliott Chabot, Aspen Hill Civic Association

Re: ADJOURNMENT

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

PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY