

Minutes
State Board of Education
June 20, 2001

The State Board of Education met via telephone conference call on Wednesday, June 20, 2001. Robert Hackler, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

The roll was sounded by Dr. Charles Watson, with the following Board members reporting present: Robert Hackler, Chairman; Shelby Hillman, Vice Chairman; JoNell Caldwell; William Fisher; Luke Gordy; Betty Pickett; and Richard Smith. Dr. Watson declared a quorum present.

The following Board members were absent: Claiborne Deming; Lewis Thompson; and Anita Yates.

Mr. Hackler opened the meeting by stating the agenda includes only one item – to name the Advisory Committee to the State Board of Education pursuant to Act 1386 of 2001. (Advisory Committee to Study the Structure of Public Elementary and Secondary Education.)

Mr. Hackler asked Mr. Simon to provide background information concerning this committee. Mr. Simon noted that the Advisory Committee to be named was required by Act 1386 of 2001 and by mutual consent of the legislators involved would work concurrently with the Blue Ribbon Commission studying public schools. Mr. Simon noted that the recommendations are in keeping with positions or job functions required in the statute with an attempt to balance the list with geographical representation and consideration given to gender and ethnic balance. He read the list as recommended by Department staff. (See attachment for nominations.) Mr. Simon requested approval of this list so the members can meet with the Blue Ribbon Commission later in the week. He also suggested any additional nominations to this panel could be made and considered at the July Board meeting.

Mr. Smith moved approval of the list as read. Mr. Gordy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Minutes recorded and reported by Dr. Charles D. Watson.

Raymond Simon, Director

Robert Hackler, Chairman