
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: MAYO
FROM: RILEY
SUBJECT: GOVERNOR'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS-PRELIMINARY LIST
DATE 6/4/02
CC: BOYD

I think Boyd and I gave you a preliminary list of gubernatorial accomplishments in December. We may not have actually ever forwarded it to you. Anyway, Mary Ann Graczyk, AFT President, has requested a list of accomplishments to "tout" for us to her membership and others. I'm updated my ideas from earlier and included them below. Can you please finalize this and send it to Mary Ann (228-868-1397 phone; MAFT1@aol.com) for me? Thanks!!!

Education

- Teacher Pay Raise to Southeastern Average
- Supports Appointed Superintendents
- Supports Administrative Leave for Parents to Attend Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Co-Chaired Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges Leadership Summit on Higher Education in Mississippi
- Accepted the College Board's Invitation to Serve on its National Blue Ribbon Student Financial Aid Panel.
- Computers in the Classroom—placing an Internet-accessible computer in every public k-12 classroom by the end of 2002
- Co-Chaired the National Governors' Association and Council of Chief State School Officers' joint work group to develop common principles related to the upcoming reauthorization of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

Public Safety

- "Click it or Ticket" Campaign
- Supported .08 Blood Alcohol Level
- Supports Seat Belt as Primary Offense
- MDOC in compliance with federal court order for first time in 16 years

Transportation

- Identified MS Finance Business Corporation as emergency funding source for MDOT projects in danger of being halted (Summer 2000)

Health

- Upper Payment Limits
- 3 Health Summits
- Healthcare Proposal Maximizing Federal Funds

- HOPE-Prescription Drug Program
- CDBG for Rural Hospitals on Brink of Closing
- Established the Governor's Healthcare Commission to work with the Division of Medicaid on restructuring the state program.

Environmental

- Water and Sewer Task Force

Emergency Management

- Domestic Preparedness Summit

Economic Development

- Advantage Mississippi
- Nissan
- Local Successes and new jobs

Medicaid

- CHIP enrollment from less than 500 to more than 47,000

Other

- Delta Summit
- Task Force on E-Government

Service on National Boards and Commissions

- National Assessment Governing Board
- Southern Regional Education Board, Executive Committee
- National Board for Professional Teaching Standards
- National Governors Association, Executive Committee, Lead Democratic Governor for Education
- Southern Governors Association
- Democratic Governors' Association, Executive Committee
- Southern States Energy Board, Chairman
- Southern Growth Policies Board, Chairman-Elect
- National Board of Directors of Jobs for America's Graduates