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OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE  
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** GOVERNOR  
**FROM:** RILEY  
**SUBJECT:** GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON PHYSICAL FITNESS AND SPORTS  
**DATE:** 9/26/2001  
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Please advise on the following related to the Governor's Commission on Physical Fitness and Sports.

1. The Commission heard a presentation by Letitia Thompson with the Mississippi Alliance for School Health (MASH) at its Commission meeting. MASH is preparing for the upcoming legislative session and is seeking support from other organizations interested in school health. MASH is going to seek funding for the PE Coordinator position at MDE that was authorized a few years ago, but never funded. The Commission has long supported this initiative and would like to support it during the upcoming session, if you approve. Would you support the Commission's efforts?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_

No \_\_\_\_\_

2. The Commission is seeking your input and direction as to what activities you would like them to work on. I would suggest K-12 educational activities, a focus on educating the public as to the benefits of exercising in reducing heart disease, and distribution of the Commission's recent *Report Card*. The Commission also has several ongoing activities related to recognizing businesses that promote healthy employees. Are these activities okay? Do you have any other activities that you would like the Commission to work on?

These are okay \_\_\_\_\_

Also work on \_\_\_\_\_

3. The Commission is basically funded via Commission members seeking private donations and some limited grant funding. They would like to explore other fundraising efforts. Do you have any opposition to the Commission exploring these fundraising options (golf tournaments, races, etc..)? We could request that they apprise you of any fundraisers that they wish to implement.

Fundraising okay \_\_\_\_\_

Stick to private donations \_\_\_\_\_

I am going to provide Commission members with a copy of the MATH/healthcare proposal. The Commission is also going to provide copies of its *Report Card* to the state PTA for distribution. The Commission will be involved with the Senior Summit.