
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: BARNES
FROM: RILEY
SUBJECT: 2003 SOUTHERN GROWTH POLICY BOARD'S ANNUAL MEETING IN BILOXI
DATE 10/23/02
CC: FILE

Governor Musgrove is chairman of the Southern Growth Policies Board, so we are hosting the SGPB Annual Meeting at the Beau Rivage next June 1-3. Commissioner Huggins told me yesterday to work with you on the security issues/arrangements. Traditionally, the host state has provided a trooper escort and vehicle for each Governor attending the meeting. There are usually 4-6 governors that actually attend. 14 states belong to SGPB.

Mary Williams is handling the arrangements for SGPB (919-941-5145). She and I met with Michelle Rob (228-386-7155), the Conference Services Manager at the Beau who is handling the meeting, last week. I have the following information and questions for you following our meeting:

- Eric Newton is the Beau's Director of Security.
- When asked by Michelle Rob as to parking and housing for the trooper escorts, I told her that I thought you would want designated parking, but that I didn't know if the troopers would require hotel rooms.
- Michelle asked if I thought ya'll would want a command post on the convention floor or in a guest room on another floor. I told her that you would have to decide that. I'm attaching the convention floor (2nd floor) schematic for you. The SGPB meeting office will most likely be in the Gardenia Room and a command post would most likely have to be set up in that same room if you want it on the convention floor.
- We toured the suites that the governors would be staying in. Michelle said that their suites are on floors that are totally suite rooms, i.e., no regular rooms on that floor. She asked if security details would need to be on the same floor as their governors and I told her you'd have to tell her this.
- I'm also attaching a copy of the agenda at this point. All of the plenary sessions will be in the same room (Camellia Ballroom) and there will not be any breakout

sessions. There are some workgroup meetings on Saturday, but the Governor does not have to be there until 10:00 a.m. Sunday morning.

- The Sunday evening 5:00-7:00 p.m. reception is going to be offsite and will be held at the Redding House and Ohr Museum (they are next door to each other).

That is all I know at this point. I gave Michelle both your name and Col. Claiborne's name because I didn't know whom Commissioner Huggins would tell me to work with. I told her that one of ya'll would probably be calling her in the future.