
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: GOVERNOR
FROM: RILEY
SUBJECT: AGENDA FOR SGPB'S ANNUAL MEETING IN HOT SPRINGS: JUNE 24 -26
DATE 6/22/01
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You were initially scheduled to participate on one panel (Tuesday at 10:30 a.m.) at SGPB's meeting at the Hot Springs Convention Center. Jim Clinton emailed Tuesday and requested your participation in another panel, as well, on Sunday afternoon at 1:30 p.m. An overview of each panel and press opportunities is provided below.

Sunday, 11:00 a.m., Ribbon Cutting/Photo Opportunity: Mark Tozak, SGPB Communications Director phoned today to inform you of this photo opportunity and the press conference. The ribbon cutting will be at the entrance to the Innovators Fair (exhibitors from the SGPB region) and Governor Huckabee will cut the ribbon.

Sunday, 11:15 a.m., Press Conference: Press conference is scheduled to last until 11:45, but Tozak doesn't expect it to last until 11:30. Press conference is basically to explain the goals and purposes of SGPB and to give a "this is what we are going to be doing the next 2 days" overview. Press from Lexington (KY), Birmingham, Baton Rouge, Dallas, and the AP have indicated that they will be covering the meeting.

Sunday, 1:30 p.m., "Making the Strategic Plan Work" panel discussion. The panel will come immediately after Jim Clinton presents the *Invented Here* plan (see Attachment A). The panel will be moderated by Trent Williams of Regional Technology Strategies and participants will include yourself, Governors Huckabee and Hodges, Lt. Governor John Hager (VA) and Alex Fischer, Tennessee's Secretary of Economic and Community Development. An overview of the panel, including Williams' questions to panel members, is attached (see Attachment B).

This panel will provide you with a great opportunity to discuss recent activities in Mississippi, including Nissan, the Computers in the Classroom initiative, and the three health summits. You could also mention the Higher Ed Summit's goal of developing a strategic plan for Mississippi, especially regarding higher learning's role in economic development.

Tuesday, 10:30 a.m., "Conversations on the Future of the South" panel discussion. This panel discussion is intended to be more expansive and Governor Huckabee will

moderate this discussion in much the same manner he did the “town hall meeting” in Roanoke last Fall. An overview is attached (Attachment C), but Jim Clinton expects the discussion to take on a life of its own.