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Sissy Henry Named to Lead GSBA

Jeannie M. (Sissy) Henry will take the helm of GSBA on September 1, 2001, as the association's next executive director. The GSBA Board of Directors made the announcement in July.

"We are extremely pleased that Ms. Henry will be joining GSBA in this leadership role," said Tricia Smith, GSBA's immediate past president and chair of the search committee. "Ms. Henry was chosen from a slate of excellent candidates. Her experience as a leader with the South Carolina School Boards Association was a key factor in her selection."

GSBA President Zenda Bowie added, "I am confident that GSBA will continue to grow and thrive under Ms. Henry's leadership. I look forward to working with her as we continue to move GSBA forward."

Henry currently serves as deputy executive director of the South Carolina School Boards Association (SCSBA), a position she has held since 1995. She joined SCSBA in 1979 as the association's director of public relations and training and in 1985 was promoted to director of board development.

During her 22 years with SCSBA, Henry initiated and directed a number of innovative programs, including



Jeannie M. (Sissy) Henry was named to replace retiring GSBA Executive Vice President Gary Ashley.

the Boardmanship Institute, a comprehensive training model for many other state associations, the association's magazine and referendum services. In her current position, Henry directs board training, statewide and on-site, in the areas of conflict management, goal setting, board evaluation and team building. She also serves as the primary consultant to school districts on superintendent searches and bond referenda.

Also an expert "trainer," Henry has given conference addresses or conducted

workshops in 44 of the 50 states. She also contributed to a national publication, "Win at the Polls," and co-authored "The Role of the Board/Superintendent in Raising Student Achievement," which is to be published later this year by NSBA and the American Association of School Administrators.

Prior to joining SCSBA, she was a teacher, director of public information and coordinator of special services for a school district in South Carolina.

Henry is recognized nationally as an expert on conducting referenda. In the last 26 years, she has worked with more than 100 school districts in South Carolina and all over the country on finance campaigns. She is credited with assisting in passing campaigns worth more than \$5 billion for school construction projects.

Henry has received recognition for her leadership from the national School Boards Association as the first staff recipient of NSBA's Thomas A. Shannon Award for Excellence in School Board Association Leadership in 2000. She has also been recognized by the South Carolina Association of Society Executives, the Palmetto State Teachers Association and the South Carolina School Public Relations Association.

Henry served as the president of the National School Public Relations Association, chair of the NSBA Council of School Boards Association Communicators, and vice chair of NSBA's Superintendent Search Group. Henry received her bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Georgia. ▲

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From the President...



Zenda Bowie
GSBA President

Editor's Note: The following is excerpted from GSBA President Zenda Bowie's "President's Address" at the GSBA Summer Conference and Delegate Assembly in June.

It gives me tremendous joy to be able to tell this audience that I stand here today as a result of training and education. Initial training came from my mother, who just retired after more than 35 years as a teacher. She instilled in me and my siblings a love and respect for education and a desire to care and to give back.

My education in school boardsmanship came through the tutelage of Delores McGhee, a past president of GSBA and former member of the Fulton County Board of Education. She took me under her wing and guided the way. Former Fulton County superintendents Dr. James Fox and Dr. William McFatter, former associate superintendent Dr. Ernest Lavender and our current superintendent Dr. Stephen Dolinger have provided subsequent "on-the-job" training. Each has offered encouragement, advice and support. Each has also been willing to pull my coat tail as necessary and when appropriate.

Gary Ashley has also been my guide. He spent nearly two hours with me in the cafeteria of the Twin Towers, right in the middle of the 1990 General Assembly offering me a private crash course in his personal vision of the GSBA New Board Member Orientation.

Through the guidance of these and other individuals, I stand here before you as the newly elected president of the Georgia School Boards Association. What an honor!

I have identified two goals for the coming year. The first is to continue

GSBA's current stature as a pace-setter. I plan to help GSBA remain a cutting edge association in honor of the tremendous sacrifice of Gary Ashley and his family; the diligent work of a truly dedicated staff; countless hours of service of the GSBA membership; and for the benefit of school boards in Georgia and the constituencies we serve.

My second goal is to raise the bar so that school board members in Georgia will replace professional athletes and hip-hop artists as role models for children. I believe that school board members can model the way for the general public and, especially, for our children. I believe that we should set the example for appropriate behavior from the board table, before and after board meetings, as well as in the community. I look forward to Georgia's school board members demonstrating the behaviors we proclaim appropriate for students: staying on task, minding our manners, respecting ourselves, respecting others, respecting property, etc. Who

better to model the way than members of public school boards? I am looking for us to WALK THE TALK!

I look forward to a "wonder-filled" year. We have tremendous challenges ahead. So please join me. Let's roll up our sleeves and get to work! ▲

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From the Executive Vice President...

Since announcing in January that I would retire from GSBA in August, I've spent a great deal of time thinking about GSBA and the 23 years I have been with this association. And, I couldn't reflect on that without thinking about the many talented and inspiring people I've had the pleasure of working with. From the members of every single GSBA Board of Directors that I have worked with through the years to the staff members I have had the honor of serving with, I feel a solid sense of pride that together we have moved GSBA forward for more than two decades.

Since 1978, we have reached many milestones in an effort to make our association one of the best in the state and the nation. I believe it's vision that has made the key difference. The very first board of directors I served gave me three goals to reach so that GSBA could become closer to what

they envisioned it should be. Their vision set the tone for my tenure.

First, they asked that I set about to secure a permanent headquarters for GSBA.

They saw that if GSBA was to truly grow and flourish it would have to have a home of its own. In 1983, GSBA's dream of owning a headquarters of its own materialized when construction began on the building located in Lawrenceville. Since that time, we have expanded the building once and we have laid the groundwork for yet another expansion in the not-too-dis-



Gary Ashley, GSBA Executive Vice President

tant future.

The second goal that the 1978 board gave me was to stabilize the financial structure of the association. Over the years, we have moved GSBA's finances from one almost solely dependent upon membership dues to one that is balanced between membership dues, income from membership services and entrepreneurial income. This has been very important

because having these resources has allowed us to build a quality staff and offer a broader and better range of services to our membership.

The third goal I was asked to accomplish was to attract and develop the most qualified staff we could assemble. I would add to this that we have also been blessed with a plethora

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of highly skilled and qualified leaders from our membership at large who have served tirelessly to create the vision under which the staff and I have worked.

And, I can't say enough about the staff of GSBA— those who serve now as well as those who have served in the past. Because of these highly talented and dedicated individuals, we have been able to constantly improve our services, offer new ones and shore up our financial position.

GSBA has earned a reputation for excellence and that has always been the goal in whatever we do. We have never been an organization content to sit on the sidelines. We have constantly been faced with challenges and have met each one head on. Consider all that we've accomplished legislatively. We were instrumental in the passage of QBE, the Administrative Tenure Bill, supporting the appointment of superintendents by locally elected school board members, SPLOST and making the A+ Education Reform Act more in line with the challenges faced by local boards. And many years ago, we convinced legislators of the need for high quality training for school board members.

We have moved from an association that communicates through snail mail to one that today uses e-mail, Internet and other technologies. We even have an electronic flip chart! On this note, however, I am proud to say that we haven't forgotten the

power and importance of speaking with you and meeting with you face to face. I can truly say that I conduct more face-to-face meetings today with individual boards than ever before. I can also truly say that those meetings and training sessions make up one part of my job that I enjoy most.

I want to thank the GSBA Board of Directors for giving me the opportunity to serve this great association. I'm proud of all that we have accomplished and I have no doubt what so ever that GSBA will continue to reach new heights. I would also like to thank all of the members of GSBA because without highly dedicated school board members who demand excellence and high quality we could not have accomplished all that we have.

I'm not one for goodbyes, because I see this as simply the beginning of a transition—a time not to rest on our accomplishments, but to begin writing the next great installment of the legacy that is GSBA! I have no doubt that GSBA will continue to thrive under the leadership of Sissy Henry.

While I am looking forward to having time for my family and personal endeavors, you can rest assured that my interest in GSBA and in public education will continue. ▲



Deloras McGhee



Dr. Jim Puckett



Louise Radloff

At a special reception honoring GSBA Executive Vice President Gary Ashley, a number of past and present GSBA leaders took a turn at the podium to share their thoughts about Ashley and his years with GSBA. The following are excerpts from their remarks. (Also speaking at the reception were Jerry Studdard, Lamar Reese, Jeanette Shelnett, Herb Garret, Tom Upchurch and Tricia Smith.)

Deloras McGhee (GSBA President in 1987-88) - "Gary Ashley brought us from the provincial to the cosmopolitan."



Michael Windom

Michael Windom (GSBA Board of Directors) - "We can't replace Gary Ashley. All we can do is to continue on the path he has set to higher heights."

Dr. Jim Puckett (Former GSBA Deputy Director, Current Executive Director of GAEL) - "From yesterday to today, he leaves GSBA an organization much stronger and one more influential."



Vernon Payne

Vernon Payne (GSBA Board of Directors) - "He has tremendous character. I learned to love and respect him because of character."

Louise Radloff (GSBA President in 1989-90) - "When I use the word leadership I think of Gary Ashley because they go hand in hand. The conferences and business meetings where Gary Ashley is at the helm are always first class."

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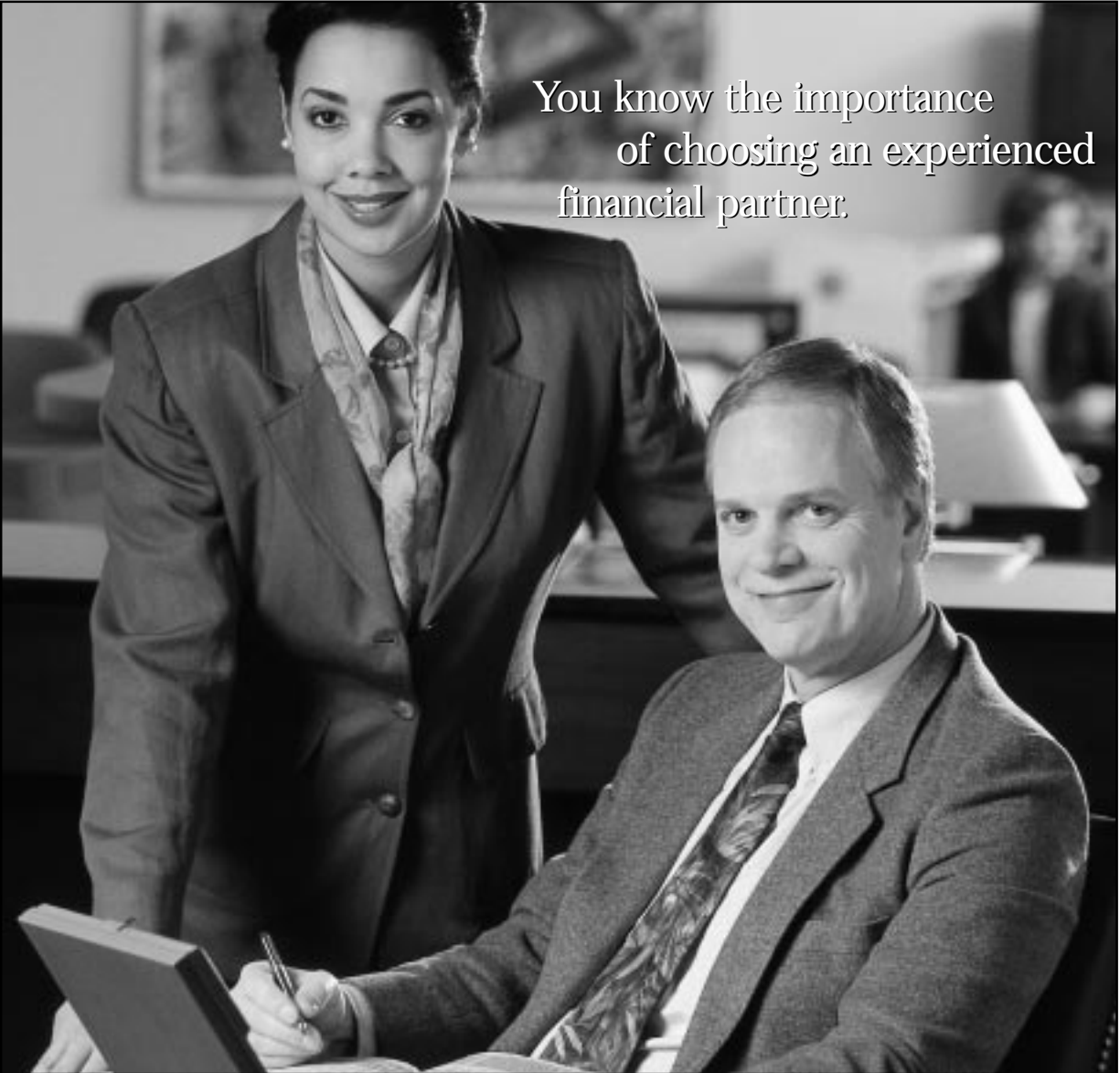
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Association News

- Gary Ashley, GSBA's executive vice president, who is retiring on August 31, has been honored by a number of groups wishing to show their appreciation for his dedication to GSBA and to public education.
 - The Georgia Board of Education honored Ashley at their July 12 meeting with a Certificate of Excellence, and adopted a resolution citing his service and leadership.
 - The Georgia Partnership for Excellence in Education presented Ashley with a framed copy of the "Partner Profile" on him that appeared in the Summer 2001 issue of *All About GPEE*. The GPEE Executive Committee and GPEE President Tom Upchurch thanked Ashley for all he has done for the boys and girls of Georgia and for making a difference in the improvement of public education.
 - Ashley received the Georgia Association of Educational Leaders Distinguished Award for Contributions to Educational Leadership at the GAEL Summer Conference in July.
- GSBA President Zenda Bowie has been appointed to a three-year-term on the board of directors of the Communities in Schools of Georgia.

- Gary Ashley presented several sessions at the 2001 NSBA Executive Directors' Summer Institute in Easton, Maryland. On August 6, he presented material on association benefits. He presented a session on GSBA's executive director evaluation process on August 7. And, on August 8, Ashley participated in a panel discussion on "Enhancing Your Professional Image."
- GSBA President Elect Brad Bryant was appointed chair elect of the 2003 NSBA Southern Region. GSBA will host the NSBA Southern Region Conference in Savannah in 2003.
- GSBA District 8 Director Marissa Jones Lewis has been appointed to Georgia Music Educators Association Board of Directors.
- GSBA's *Fiscal Year 2000 Progress Report* was one of 133 out of 1,083 publications entered in the National School Public Relations Association's annual publications contest to win an Award of Excellence. GSBA's annual reports have won the award for three years consecutively. GSBA's magazine *Governance* received NSPRA's Award of Merit, one of 232 publications to earn the award. ▲

State News

The ComputerWorld Honors Program 2001 - A Search for New Heroes

Walker County Schools in LaFayette, Georgia, won a 21st Century Achievement Award from ComputerWorld Honors Program 2001. Walker County was named as one of ten recipients of the award for its Eco-Connections, a web-based environmental science teaching module. The program enables students and teachers around the world to participate in environmental studies collaboratively, conduct research and implement action plans to address local and global environmental problems. (You can visit the website at <http://www.eco-connections.com>.)

Diplomas for WWII Veterans Effective July 1

During the 2001 General Assembly, HB176 was passed mandating high school diplomas for certain World War II veterans. The bill was signed into law on April 20 and became effective July 1.

GSBA has modified an application originally developed by Metro RESA that may be useful for school districts that are receiving inquiries about the new law. The application, GSBA's analysis of the law and the full text of the law are available on GSBA's website at www.gsba.com.

Film on Underage Drinking Nominated for Seven Emmys

"Primary Influence," a film detailing the critical role parents play in determining whether or not their kids will use alcohol, won seven Emmy Award nominations from the Southeast Regional Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences. "Primary Influence" is the fifth in a series of films produced by the Children and Youth Coordinating Council addressing at-risk behavior for teens. The Council has been a frequent presenter at GSBA conferences. ▲

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Supreme Court Case Highlights Issue of Religion in Schools

Editor's Note: The following is a reprint of a news release sent from the National School Boards Association with a forward message from GSBA's General Counsel Harben and Hartley.

Forward: As Georgia school board members can readily discern, NSBA is very concerned, and always has been, that a strict wall of separation must remain intact between schools and religious institutions. Not all board members agree with this position. Many school board members in Georgia and elsewhere believe the Court's decision should not be interpreted as approving or endorsing religious activities at school but, as the

Court's majority opinion reasoned, was instead one of neutrality toward religion. The Court did not hold that school districts must allow religious groups to conduct worship services immediately after school. Rather, the Court in essence held that if a school board's policy allows its facilities to be used immediately after school by groups teaching character development, such as the Boy Scouts, it could not deny a religious group that contended it had the same goal, from meeting on the same terms and conditions, even if aspects of the religious group's meetings resemble worship and the school involved was an elementary school.

The case is very instructive to local boards of education that its policies on use of school facilities should be reviewed carefully and updated from time to time in order not to become the focus of litigation. Boards need to ask what use of school facilities should be permitted and how to draft policies that reflect the board's intent, without being accused of illegal favoritism or hostility to any group based upon the viewpoint of that group. Careful drafting of policy and evenhandedness in implementing policy are the lessons to learn from the Good News v. Milford case.

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National School Boards Association Disappointed in High Court's Decision to Give Religious Clubs Access to Public Schools

Supreme Court Rules on The Good News Club v. Milford Central School

Alexandria, Va. – June 11th – The U.S. Supreme Court decision that says a New York public school district must let the Good News Club hold after-school meetings for grade-school children to pray and study the Bible is an unfortunate and divisive violation of the wall of separation between church and state, the National School Boards Association (NSBA) said today. NSBA had urged the Court in a brief to uphold the authority of school districts to prohibit religious worship services, run by adults for elementary school students, immediately after school and on school property.

"We are very concerned now

about the ability of school board members to prevent confusion among students about the academic education taking place during school hours and the worship services right afterwards," said Anne L. Bryant, executive director of the National School Boards Association. "The after-school realm has always been difficult decision-making terrain for school boards. This opinion makes that job even more difficult."

The case centered on The Good News Club's routine practice of involving children in religious hymns and games, and providing them an opportunity to convert. The Milford school district's building use policy forbade religious activity. The club argued that it had a right to the same access as others and simply was teaching the same sorts of moral lessons as the Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts, but from a religious point of view.

NSBA maintained that it is always inappropriate for religious services to be held for school children in school buildings immediately after school and contends that this decision may now open the door for many religious clubs to compete for

the hearts and minds and beliefs of schoolchildren.

"This is the latest in a series of decisions by this Court that lowers the wall of separation in the name of neutrality," said Julie Underwood, general counsel for the National School Boards Association. "Unlike the Court's decision last term regarding prayer at football games, this decision ignores the practical reality that students will perceive the school's endorsement of the religious worship when it is conducted on elementary school premises."

The true impact, Underwood said, "will be for students who are not part of majority religious faiths to feel excluded from their public schools when religious activities take place."

The National School Boards Association is a national federation of state and territorial school boards associations that represent more than 95,000 school board members who govern the nation's public schools. The organization's mission is to foster excellence and equity in public elementary and secondary education throughout the United States through local school board leadership. ▲

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GSBA Gears Up for District Meetings

Each Fall, the Georgia School Boards Association conducts a series of meetings in each of GSBA's 14 districts. These "District Meetings" serve as an opportunity for local school boards within a specific GSBA district (geographical region) to come together to discuss problems and opportunities unique to their own area. The GSBA District Director is responsible for the meeting in his/her area and serves as host for the function.

The staff at GSBA plans the program agenda in concert with each District Director to insure continuity from one District Meeting to another. GSBA also uses this opportunity to disseminate certain information relating to its program of services to local school boards. Additionally, GSBA provides a look ahead to the following year's General Assembly and the legislative priorities likely to consume much of the Association's public affairs efforts.

Annual Training Credit

Participation in a GSBA District Meeting, in and of itself, does not qualify for board member annual training credit. However, in recent years, GSBA has begun offering attendees at District Meetings the opportunity to obtain annual training credit as required by state law. Two such opportunities are offered in conjunction with each District Meeting.

•**Pre-District Meeting Training Session** - District Meeting attendees may participate in an optional pre-meeting training session offered approximately three (3) hours before each meeting. The pre-meeting training session usually deals with contemporary issues for local boards of education and participation can earn board members three (3) hours of annual training credit.

•**District Meeting "Homework" Assignment** - Attendees at the GSBA District Meeting may pick up an optional "homework" assignment to be completed and returned to GSBA. The "homework" assignment deals with topical issues and requires the participant to read certain materials and take a short "open-book" quiz on the material. Local board members who take advantage of the "homework" assignment can obtain three (3) hours annual training credit for completing the work.

If you have questions regarding GSBA training, please contact Billy Johnson, GSBA Professional Development Specialist

Times for all Functions

- Pre-District Meeting Training Sessions begin at 3:00 p.m. on the District Meeting Date (they last until 6:00 p.m.)
- Registration begins at 5:00 p.m.
- Dinner & District Meeting begins at 6:00 p.m.

2001 District Meeting Dates & Locations

District 1

Director/John Neighbors
October 15 at Swainsboro High School

District 7

Director/Jerry Casey
September 27 at Floyd College (Lakeview Building)

District 12

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September 17 at Houston County Career and Technical Center

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September 13 at Albany Technical College

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Director/Marissa Jones Lewis
October 11 at Brantley County High School

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October 22 at North Georgia State College and University

District 14

Director/Bradfield Shealy
October 2 at Valdosta Convention Center

Districts 4 & 5

Directors/Susan Cobleigh (4) and Sadie Dennard (5)
October 23 at The Carter Center

District 10

Director/Carroll E. Gay
October 25 at Augusta Technical College

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District 6

Director/Helen Fay Lewis
September 6 at West Georgia Technical College

District 11

Director/Vernon Payne
October 18 at State Botanical Gardens

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Leadership and Quality the Focus of Summer Conference

On June 22-23, 2001, over 600 school board members, superintendents and other educational leaders from around the state met in Savannah at the Georgia School Boards Association Summer Conference and Delegate Assembly.

During the conference, participants heard from a number of speakers about the importance of leadership, raising standards and having a quality-based organization.

"School board members in attendance at the conference will benefit from the expertise of the speakers and from participating in GSBA's Delegate Assembly," said Gary Ashley, GSBA's executive vice president. "With all that GSBA offers, local boards of education have easy access to the training, products, services and information they need to raise standards in their local districts."

In addition to participating in conference activities, delegates representing 121 boards of education met on Friday, June 23 to finalize changes to the Association's package of legislative positions. (Note: A copy of the Association's legislative positions is available on the GSBA web site at: www.gsba.com) Delegates also chose GSBA's new officers.

The 2001-2002 officers are:

•President Zenda Bowie of Fulton County - Zenda Bowie has been a member of the Fulton County Board of Education since 1990 and has served as president of the board since 1993. She most recently served GSBA as president elect, and has also served as vice president and District 5 Director. She also has served on the Nominating Committee and the Governmental Operations Committee. Ms. Bowie is a vice president for programs with the American Lung Association, responsible for statewide tuberculosis training, multi-cultural affairs staff and volunteers training.



•President Elect Brad Bryant - Brad Bryant most recently served GSBA as vice president and has served as GSBA District 4 Director. He has been a member

of the DeKalb County Board of Education since 1990 and has served as chairman since 1996. Mr. Bryant also serves on the GSBA Governmental Operations Committee. He is an attorney and lives in Atlanta.



•Vice President Deloras Moon - Deloras Moon has served on the Jones County Board of Education for 10 years. Prior to this position, she served GSBA as

treasurer. Before moving to Georgia, she served on the Board of Education, East Lansing, Michigan, for eight years. Deloras has participated in several GSBA activities including the Federal Relations Network and Leadership GSBA. She currently works as the director of educational ministries at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church in Macon.



•Treasurer D. Smith Pass - D. Smith Pass has served on the Coweta County Board of Education since 1995. She chaired the School Climate

Committee of the Governor's Education Reform Study Commission in 1999 and the Personnel Committee of the GERSC in 2000. Ms. Pass is a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Partnership for Excellence in Education and has served on the Federal Relations Network.

Quotables from our Keynote Speakers...

Murray Banks

- "Your life leaks in when you go to the school board meeting."
- "Attitude counts."
- "Parents could do a little more."
- "Keep balance. Sometimes keeping balance is more complicated."
- "Exercise, eat right and get some rest!"

Dudley Flood

- "Where are the 'no nos' in society today? We live in a society where we follow the rules we want to and not the others. This is one reason why kids are so irregular."
- "We've had a degeneration of social skills. Kids need activities like playing in the yard and building social skills like entertaining themselves and getting along with others."
- "Who are your heroes? We have to redefine the essence of hero."
- "When you were in school, what were your experiences with minorities? The forecasting of behavior is a dangerous thing. It leads to a mentality of 'seen one, seen them all.'"

Michael Mescon

- "Never say, 'why me?'"
- "Listen with three ears. Ear number one - just listen, don't talk. Ear number two - listen to what they don't say. Ear number three - listen to what the person wants to say, but doesn't know how."

Bobbie Staton

- "People are in pain. Usually it is because of fear of change, loss of security, trouble with relationships, health or work."
- "You have to find the humor in situations so that you can let out those 'puffs of pain' that are holding you back."

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Conference will be held
November 30 -
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GEORGIA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION CALENDAR

August 2001:

- 5-9 NSBA Executive Directors' Summer Institute, St. Michael's, Maryland
- 9 Georgia Board of Education Meeting, Twin Towers, Atlanta
- 16-19 Joint NSBA/NASBE Presidents' Retreat, Williamsburg, Virginia
- 23 GSBA Board of Directors Meeting, GSBA Offices, Lawrenceville

September 2001:

- 6 GSBA District 6 Meeting, West Georgia Technical College, Carrollton
- 13 Georgia Board of Education Meeting, Twin Towers, Atlanta
- 13 GSBA District 2 Meeting, Albany Technical College, Albany
- 17 GSBA District 12 Meeting, Houston County Career and Technical Center, Perry
- 20-21 GSBA Workers' Comp Fund and Risk Management Fund Trustees Retreat and Meeting
- 24 GSBA District 13 Meeting, Heart of Georgia Technical College, Dublin
- 25 GSBA District 3 Meeting, Columbus State University (The Turner Center), Columbus
- 27 GSBA Large Systems Meeting, Fulton County Board of Education
- 27 GSBA District 7 Meeting, Floyd College (Lakeview Building), Rome

October 2001:

- 2 GSBA District 14 Meeting, Valdosta Convention Center, Valdosta
- 11 Georgia Board of Education Meeting, Twin Towers, Atlanta
- 11 GSBA Workers' Comp Fund and Risk Management Fund Trustees Meeting
- 11 GSBA District 8 Meeting, Brantley County High School, Nahunta
- 15 GSBA District 1 Meeting, Swainsboro High School, Swainsboro
- 15-16 Georgia Partnership for Excellence in Education Ninth Annual Bus Trip
- 18 GSBA District 11 Meeting, State Botanical Gardens, Athens
- 22 GSBA District 9 Meeting, North Georgia State College and University, Dahlonega
- 23 GSBA Districts 4 & 5 Meeting, Carter Center, Atlanta
- 25 GSBA Awards Committee Meeting, GSBA Offices, Lawrenceville
- 25 GSBA District 10 Meeting, Augusta Technical College, Augusta

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