

President's Commission on Excellence in Special Education
Second Meeting
The Warwick Hotel
5701 Main Street
Houston, Texas
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February 25-27, 2002

February 25, 2002

- 8:15 a.m. *Welcome, Introductions, and Overview*
- 8:30 a.m. *NAS Minority Students in Special and Gifted Education Report Briefing.* Daniel Reschly, Vanderbilt University; and Sharon Vaughn, University of Texas at Austin will brief commissioners on the policy recommendations evidenced by the report.
- 9:15 a.m. *Commissioner Q&A for Panel on the NAS*
- 10:15 a.m. *Break*
- 10:40 a.m. *Panel on Discrepancy Model Research*
David Francis of the University of Houston; and Sharon Vaughn, University of Texas at Austin will discuss the latest research on the discrepancy model as a basis for identification of students and its relationship to services.
- 11:30 a.m. *Commissioner Q&A for Panel on Discrepancy Model Research*
- 12:30 p.m. *Lunch Break*
- 2:00 p.m. *Aligning State and Local Special Education and Accountability Systems*
Larry Gloeckler, New York State Deputy Commissioner for Vocational and Educational Services for Individuals with Disabilities, will present on how states and localities should work to align their broader state accountability activities with special education students.
- 3:00 p.m. *Commissioner Q&A for Panel Aligning Special Education and Accountability Systems*
- 3:45 p.m. *Break*
- 4:00 p.m. *Student Achievement, Due Process, and the Relationship Between the Two*
Jim Comstock-Galagan, Southern Disability Law Center and Gene Lenz, Texas State Director of Special Education will discuss the state of the special education system of due process and how it does and does not relate to the achievement of students with disabilities.

4:45 p.m. *Commissioner Q&A for Panel on Student Achievement, Due Process, and Relationship Between the Two Panel*

5:30 p.m. *Adjourn*

February 26, 2002

8:00 a.m. *Leave for School Visits*
Buses will leave for three schools in Houston ISD for visits by commissioners.

9:00 a.m. *School Visits*

11:00 a.m. *Return from Schools*

12:00 noon *Break*

1:30 p.m. *Reports on Schools Visits*
One commissioner from each school group will report on their visit.

2:15 p.m. *Panel Reviews*
Commissioners will discuss their views on the reports by the first two panels from Monday, with 30 minutes allotted for each.

3:15 p.m. *Break*

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5:00 p.m. *Adjourn*

February 27, 2002

8:00 a.m. *Public Comment*
Members of the public will be allowed to address the Commission.

9:00 a.m. *Commissioner Discussion of Public's Views*

9:45 a.m. *Other Commission Business*

10:00 a.m. *Adjourn Commission Meeting*