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## MINUTES

### LOCAL EDUCATION COMMISSION MEETING

October 24, 1966

The Local Education Commission met at 10:00 a.m. in the Conference Room of the Administration Building of the Atlanta Public Schools with the following in attendance:

Commission Members

Mr. P. L. Bardin  
Mr. Marthame Sanders  
Mr. Leonard Robinson  
Mr. Earl Landers  
Mr. J. H. Cawthon  
Dr. John W. Letson  
Mr. Otis Jackson  
Dr. Rufus Clement  
Mrs. Alan Ritter

Mr. Alan Kiepper (Represented  
Dr. West)  
Mr. Harry West (Represented Mr.  
Alan Kiepper)

Consultants and Staff

Dr. Truman Pierce  
Mr. A. C. Latimer  
Mr. Lee Perry  
Dr. Curtis Henson

Minutes of the September 22, 1966 meeting were unanimously approved.

Mr. Leonard Robinson, chairman of the committee appointed to recommend how the length of term for each board member of the initial board of education for the new school district will be determined, presented the report. The committee recommended that the statement regarding the election of board members specifically state the following:

1. The winner in each sub-district will be the candidate receiving the largest number of votes.
2. In the event of a tie the Grand Jury will be asked to determine the winner.
3. The Grand Jury will be asked to designate the length of term of office of each of the nine successful candidates for the

initial board of education. Three members will be designated to serve two-year terms, three members to serve four-year terms, and three members to serve six year terms.

Mr. Robinson made the motion that the Commission receive the report. The motion was seconded by Dr. Rufus Clement and passed unanimously.

After discussing the recommendations of the Committee, Mr. Robinson made a motion that the report be adopted. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. H. Cawthon and passed unanimously.

Dr. Pierce reported that Dr. Johns had spent two days in Atlanta and was moving along satisfactorily with his assignment.

Mr. Latimer gave a progress report of work of the lawyers to date. It was apparent that the total report would not be completed in time for action of the 1967 legislature.

Mr. Robinson made the motion that a progress report be presented to the legislature on the first day of the 1967 session. This report should include decisions made and work completed to date, an outline of work which is yet to be completed and a time table for completing it, and a request that the life of the Commission be extended for another year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Otis Jackson and passed unanimously.

Mr. Bardin instructed Dr. Pierce and Mr. Latimer to assume the major responsibility for drafting the report.

The next meeting of the Commission will be at 10:00 a.m. on December 5, 1966 for the purpose of receiving and discussing the progress report.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman

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Recording Secretary