

What happened in Kansas City represents a genuine commitment to state action and state leadership in education. This Compact Commission does not have authority, nor will it be expected to set policy. It will merely be the means of developing alternatives for policy decisions, which ultimately are to be made, in any event, by local and state policy-making bodies. It will furnish the state with the best available information. It will suggest appropriate goals. It will serve to exchange information, and to advise.

It is "merely the means.. of developing alternatives – to representative government when it comes to a specific subject matter.

As we continue developing this Compact for Education in an historic attempt to mold a more dynamic and responsive system of American education, we must never forget that though each of us may represent a different perspective in education, we all share the belief that we live in an explosive era when a massive effort must be made to improve the education of every American . . .and forge for the future the kind of educational system that will give breath to American ideals and life to American hopes.

Terry Sanford
Duke University
December, 1965

Interesting, the involvement of Carnegie Corporation as adviser in a result here characterized by the word "forge" referring to an educational system intended to be regionalized then nationalized – but, not to worry, still respecting "local and state policy-making bodies." It took connection to government officials BY WAY OF the National Governors Association (which had met July 1965 previous) and multiple other PRIVATE associations involving public officials, networked together, and meeting outside of many of their own state lines, privately, to re-engineer and existing compulsory education, federally-funded school system. This was also CIVIL RIGHTS era, and in this context, those at the top of society (academically and politically) are organizing for "every American" without the informed consent, legislative authority (notice how this letter admits lack of POLICYMAKING authority, they "Just wanna help advise..")

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