

Gates

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elected officials, doctors, lawyers, library board trustees and community activists, was borne out of what Atkinson Gates supporters feel is biased media coverage of the commissioner's troubles.

According to one supporter, his staff found 109 stories about the commissioner on the Internet, and only 40 about Clark County Treasurer Mark Aston, indicted Tuesday, of a felony theft charge for pocketing money from the state's County Fiscal Officers Association.

Scott, who rehashed the fate of former Las Vegas City Councilman Frank Hawkins in his fiery speech, also lambasted

management at KLAS-TV Channel 8, saying the station's news programs were saturated with negative Atkinson Gates stories.

"It is not the media's domain to decide who should be in office and who should not," Scott said.

He said Hawkins, lost his re-election bid because of a wave of negative press.

Then, as now, Scott said the Las Vegas Review-Journal is the primary culprit.

"The Las Vegas Review-Journal has given this matter continual front-page coverage that has reached historic (if not hysterical) proportions," he said.

Scott called Louis Ling, an

attorney on the Ethics Commission, incompetent and vengeful.

"He seems to have made this matter a personal vendetta," he said. "His public statements, his lack of fairness in leaking mis-information to the press, his inability to get the Ethics Commission to follow its own ground rules are in essence, grounds for his immediate removal."

He said the group will ask Attorney General Frankie Sue Del Pappa to remove Ling from the commission.

According to Sen. Joe Neal, who will run for governor in 1998, subpoenaing two years of Atkinson Gates business and personal records might be an

infringement on privacy rights. If more records are demanded, he said the Legislature might have to look into the legal issues.

Hawkins, the last African American elected to the Las Vegas City Council, played prophet, but did not say whether Atkinson Gates' fate will be vindicated.

"They (the commission) will sit there and ask (her) questions," he said. "The attorney will do most of the talking to the chairperson. They will not render a decision right there and she'll probably receive something in the mail with their decision, which the press will probably get before she does."

Council

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an certain amount of time for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, another government program. They must also receive gainful employment, with benefits, and be paid more than the on-the-job clients who are not on government-subsidized programs.

A tracking system is used to evaluate the effectiveness of the placement, which must extend for at least one year. And training must supplement employment placement, not replace it.

Also decided in the meeting was a stay on picking a local welfare-to-work administrator until the council could be fully informed of the federal and state funding requirements.

Some citizens bristled at the suggestion that Northern and Southern Nevada should collaborate on the welfare-to-work program, though the Northern Nevada Private Industry Council has developed several Requests for Proposals which solicit

participation from service providers. Its Southern Nevada counterpart has not.

Anthony Snowden, of West Las Vegas Developmental Corporation, said mimicking Northern Nevada programs would prevent Southern Nevadans from having programs tailored to their needs.

Some council members suggested tapping Nevada Business Services Executive Director Richard Blue to help craft the proposals since his agency specializes in job referrals and placement.

Helen C. Gallardo, president of Nevadans Acting for Welfare Reform, told the council that she and others 12 years-plus experience handling welfare reform could serve as an oversight committee, sharing information with service providers, networking to avoid duplicating services and maximizing the funds allocated to transition people from welfare to work.

Hawkins

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month, then our plans are to start the demolition in March."

If ground is broken in March, Hawkins said future residents may see some progress by June.

Hawkins will provide 25 new homes, valued at \$100,000 each and put up a \$250,000 bond, in exchange for the land.

"It's interesting that they're proposing a \$250,000 bond," said Maybie's representative, Robert Howarth who wants to reopen the bidding process. "Why don't they put up \$2.5 million, a bond which would guarantee what they are building?"

According to Maybie, Hawkins would be using government

money to rebuild. Maybie claims his renovation proposal would be funded out of his own pocket.

The lone dissenting vote came from Housing Authority commissioner Juan Garcia who touted the merits of Hawkins' project, but questioned whether it would receive HUD's backing.

"I'm just not sure where HUD wants us to go with this and until we get some direction from them we should wait and see where they want this to go."

HUD, which has had the proposal since November, will speed up the process, according to housing authority Executive Director Frederick Brown.

Technology

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California campuses spend SAT scores of African-American students in California have declined, which is contrary to the national trend where Black students scores are rising," she said.

"Only 30 percent of the Black graduating students in California are eligible for admission to the University of California just based on the classes they've taken."

LeBaron Woodyard, dean for instructional technology for the California Community Colleges System, the world's largest institution of higher education with 106 campuses and 1.5 million students, pointed to the difference in per-student spending as a reason why the University of California's admission statistics are so problematic for Black students.

The nine University of

California campuses spend \$16,000 per student while the community colleges only have a budget of \$2,700 per student.

The California State University system with 39 campuses only spends \$7,000 per student, he said.

Not only do the University of California campuses have a larger budget than the entire community college system, Woodyard said, but "50 percent of all the classroom space in California public higher education is at the University of California campuses, although they only educate 10 percent of the college students in the state."

Woodyard wrote a grant to the U.S. Department of Commerce five years ago to address the 350,000 increase in student population facing the community colleges.

He designed 4CNet, a

system-wide computer network in conjunction with the California State University system, and has received an annual appropriation from the California Assembly to insure its operation.

In the first implementation step, he installed digital satellite up and down links at all campuses along with video conferencing centers that allow transmission of course content anywhere along the network.

He foresees the network as being very helpful for parents making a transition from welfare to work because they can take classes at home on their own schedule and not be restricted by their ability to get child care.

The consensus of the experts was that a similar digital link is needed at the grade school level to supply the content needed to inspire

and inform African-American students.

As schools apply for the E-Rate discounts which are established by the Federal Communications Commission, they should keep the ability to receive digital satellite and cable modem transmissions in mind.

The deadline for creating the technology plans required by the application is mid-March.

For more information on the educational technology needs of Black students, call 415-289-6977 or order a video copy of the "African-Americans in the Digital Age" video at (800) 321-1990.

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Legacy

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endured and continue to suffer in seeking housing and in pursuing capital to buy and maintain housing is a crucial component in the huge gap between the wealth of Whites and Blacks at every income level. "Reducing that gap," they write, "is the challenge for American society in the new century."

"Levittown was an opportunity tragically lost," history professor Kenneth T. Jackson, told the Times. "There was such a demand for houses — they had people waiting on lines — that even if they had said there will be some Blacks living there, White people still would have moved in."

If that's true, William J. Levitt, the master builder, could have left the nation an even greater legacy: suburban mass-produced integrated housing.

That he did not is, unfortunately, what makes Levittown — in its capacity to expand opportunity and willingness to include more and more people, while denying that same opportunity to people of color — truly a symbol of America.

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