

and the needs and problems reported from school systems throughout the country. As a result of its deliberations the Conference unanimously makes the following recommendations for the consideration of the President and the Congress.

1. TIMING OF FEDERAL AUTHORIZATIONS, APPROPRIATIONS, REGULATIONS, ALLOCATIONS, PAYMENTS AND REPORTS

One of the most crucial problems resulting from the increased participation of the federal government in the financing of education is the incompatibility of the legislative year and the school year as it affects planning and financing of school programs. The problem results primarily from the fact that federal funds become available beyond the time when planning for their use can be effective.

We propose that Congress study this problem and recommend a solution which would provide local school districts with the information on available funds at a time when they can use it most effectively.

2. AMENDMENTS TO TITLE V OF THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT OF 1965—GRANTS TO STRENGTHEN STATE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION

We recommend amendment of the present formula for the allocation of all federal funds to the states under Section 502 to provide for distribution of 40% on a flat grant basis and 60% on a relative pupil population basis.

3. TRANSFER OF HEAD START TO THE OFFICE OF EDUCATION

We recommend the transfer of the Head Start program from the Office of Economic Opportunity to the Office of Education, retaining the elements of the program which emphasize health, social services, parent education, and parent participation.

4. EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION

The Ford Foundation proposed to the Federal Communications Commission in August, 1966 that the use of domestic satellites could provide more television channels than now are available for commercial use at considerably less cost, with other channels available for educational and instructional television, and proposed further that the savings to commercial stations be set aside for operation and programming of non-commercial television in the public interest. Since then, proposals have been made by other individuals and organizations.

We support in principle the objectives of a domestic satellite system which could provide more television channels for educational use. We further recommend the extension of the ETV Facilities Act during the current session of Congress.

5. JUDICIAL REVIEW

We support the passage of Senate Bill 3 of 1967, to provide effective procedures for the enforcement of the establishment and free exercise clauses of the First Amendment to the Constitution.

6. AMENDMENTS TO TEACHER CORPS LAW

We recommend that the National Teacher Corps be continued as a pilot program for a period of three (3) years with an appropriation level of approximately:

- a. \$10 million for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1968;
- b. \$20 million for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1969;
- c. \$30 million for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1970.

We further recommend that the National Teacher Corp Act be amended to:

- a. Provide for the allocation of funds through state departments of education, and for state approval of Corps members and their training;
- b. Provide grant authority for contracts with local school districts and universities for a two-year period of service;
- c. Set the compensation for teacher-interns at the prevailing rate for graduate students of \$75 per week plus \$15 per week for each dependent;
- d. Provide that initiative for project proposals shall rest with the local school districts and cooperating institutions of higher education with approval of the state department of education.