2018 ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 17-18, 2018

Call to Order

National Commission Chair Rosemarie Kraeger (RI) called the meeting to order on Thursday, October 17, 2018 at 10:08AM ET.

Roll Call

Executive Director (ED) Cherise Imai called the roll and a quorum was established.

| IN ATTENDANCE | | | | | |
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| STATE | SAL | NAME | STATE | SAL | NAME |
| ALABAMA | Dr. | Douglas Ragland | NEW HAMPSHIRE | Dr. | Kathleen Murphy |
| ALASKA | Ms. | Marcy Herman | NEW YORK | Dr. | Debra Jackson |
| ARIZONA | Mr. | Charles Tack | NORTH CAROLINA | Mr. | Donnie Loftis* |
| ARKANSAS | Mr. | John "Don" Kaminar | NORTH DAKOTA | Ms. | Davina French |
| CALIFORNIA | Ms. | Kate Wren Gavlak | OKLAHOMA | Ms. | Pam Deering |
| COLORADO | Ms. | Cheryl Serrano | OHIO | Mr. | Pete LuPiba |
| CONNECTICUT | Ms. | Laura Anastasio | OREGON | Ms. | Cindy Hunt |
| DELAWARE | Dr. | Susan Haberstroh | PENNSYLVANIA | Mr. | Kraig Kiehl |
| FLORIDA | Mr. | Curtis Jenkins* | RHODE ISLAND | Ms. | Rosemarie Kraeger |
| HAWAII | Dr. | Kathleen Berg | SOUTH DAKOTA | Mr. | Alan Kerr |
| IDAHO | Ms. | Shoni Pegram* | TENNESSEE | Ms. | Deanna McLaughlin |
| ILLINOIS | Mr. | John Price* | UTAH | Mr. | Ben Rasmussen |
| KANSAS | Mr. | C. Neuenswander | VERMONT | Mr. | David Young |
| KENTUCKY | Mr. | Blaine Hedges | VIRGINIA | Mr. | Daniel Dunham |
| LOUISIANA | Dr. | Ernise Singleton | WASHINGTON | Mr. | Greg Lynch |
| MAINE | Mr. | Tyler Backus* | WEST VIRGINIA | Mr. | Robert Mellace* |
| MARYLAND | Ms. | Mary Gable | WISCONSIN | Ms. | Shelley Joan Weiss |
| MASSACHUSETTS | Mr. | J Clarke Orzalli | WYOMING | Mr. | Chad Delbridge* |
| MICHIGAN | Mr. | Russ Gullett | DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA | Ms. | Taneka Miller |
| MINNESOTA | Mr. | Daron Korte | USDOD REPRESENTATIVE** | Ms. | Kathleen Facon |
| MISSOURI | Dr. | Brian Henry | MCEC** | Dr. | David Splitek |
| MONTANA | Mr. | Hal Stearns | MISA** | Mr. | Kyle Fairbairn |
| NEBRASKA | Mr. | Brian Halstead | NFHS** | Mr. | Davis Whitfield |
| NEW JERSEY | Mr. | Tony Trongone | NMFA** | Ms | Eileen Huck |
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^{*}Proxy

NOT IN ATTENDANCE

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| GEORGIA | Dr. | Robin Hines | NEW MEXICO | | VACANT |
| INDIANA | | VACANT | SOUTH CAROLINA | Ms. | Yolande Anderson |
| MISSISSIPPI | | VACANT | TEXAS | Ms. | Shelly Ramos |
| NEVADA | | VACANT | | | |

MIC3 National Office Staff in Attendance:

- 1. Cherise Imai, Executive Director
- 2. Lindsey Dablow, Training and Operations Associate
- 3. Richard Pryor, Communications Associate
- 4. Rick Masters, Outside General Counsel

^{**}Ex-Officio (Non-Voting)

Welcome Remarks

Chair Kraeger welcomed the membership to the 2018 Annual Business Meeting (ABM) of the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission (MIC3). She thanked Commission Vice Chair Pete LuPiba (OH) for the Commission's hospitable reception upon arriving in Cleveland, OH. Chair Kraeger asked all the newly appointed Commissioners to stand to be welcomed. The Chair thanked all the Commissioners who sent pictures throughout the year to the National Office. Those pictures are the content for the Year in Review video that greeted the Commission as they entered the General Session room this morning. Chair Kraeger informed the Commission that the National Office recently hired a Training and Operations Associate Lindsey Dablow who is present at the ABM. She also expressed appreciation to the National Office, Executive Committee (EXCOM), Ex-officio members, and School Liaison Officers for their dedication and commitment to serving military families.

Opening Remarks

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Agency Director, Paolo DeMaria, addressed the Commission and provided opening remarks. He welcomed and thanked the Commission for their efforts implementing the Compact, so military-connected children's educational needs are addressed.

The Ohio Department of Veterans Services Director Colonel Chip Tansill (U.S. Army, retired) offered opening remarks. He spoke about the challenges faced by the families of the military service members and how schools help students assimilate into new communities. Colonel (ret.) Tansill presented Commissioner LuPiba with a certificate from the Ohio Department of Veterans Affairs recognizing his service to MIC3, the Ohio Department of Veterans Affairs, and Ohio's Purple Star School Program.

Chair Kraeger recognized the State of Ohio's first Commissioner Thomas D. Rutan who was in attendance at the ABM.

Agenda

Proxy Donnie Loftis (NC) motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Greg Lynch (WA). The motion passed.

Minutes

Proxy Curtis Jackson (FL) motioned to approve the minutes with corrections, seconded by Commissioner Davina French (ND). The motion passed.

Public Comment

Chair Krager read the Commission By-laws regarding public comment. ED Imai informed the Commission that School Liaison Officer Cindy Doil from Scott Air Force Base in Illinois had submitted a request in writing to address the Commission regarding a case on grade point averages she recently encountered in her state. A copy of her statement was provided to the Commission for the record. The Chair recognized Ms. Doil and yielded the floor to her. Ms. Doil addressed the Commission regarding the uniform recognition of advanced placement course credit before and after transitions. Ms. Doil requested the Commission consider a policy to create uniform grade point averages for military-connected students in the state of Illinois and across the nation.

The MIC3 Ohio Panel: K-12 Education & Military Family Transitions – Initiatives

Military parents and students attending school in Ohio shared their experiences during this session facilitated by Commissioner LuPiba. Chair Kraeger expressed appreciation for the panelists and reminded the Commission that communicating the role of the Compact to military families is a priority in every state. The panel concluded with a resolution recognizing Ohio's first Compact Commissioner Thomas D. Rutan and naming the Ohio state council in his honor.

Presentations

Military Representatives to State Councils_- William Hampton, Military Community and Family Policy, Defense Liaison Office, U.S. Department of Defense provided an update regarding Military Representatives. The main purpose of the State Defense Liaison Office is to alleviate barriers in state policy faced by military members and their families. Mr. Hampton provided an overview of the structure of the Defense Liaison Office specifically the appointment of Military Representatives (Mil Rep) to each state's council. Mr. Hampton stressed the importance of feedback from Commissioners regarding their Mil Rep, both the successes and issues states might be experiencing. ED Imai reminded Commissioners the Mil Rep list is located on the *Commissioner* page of MIC3.net and any Commissioner needing to have a Mil Rep assigned was advised to contact Mr. Hampton in accordance with the established process.

Ad Hoc Committee Report

Leadership Development Committee (LDC) - Chair Kraeger yielded the floor to Commissioner Cheryl Serrano (CO) who briefed on the history of the Commission and an overview of the LDC. Commissioner Serrano outlined the informal succession plan previously utilized by the Commission and detailed how the LDC attempted to formalize both the election and succession plan as defined in the 2017-2019 Strategic Plan per **Strategy V** - establish a sustainable culture that supports members and insures organization continuity. **Goal 1** - establish a succession plan to develop a clear, transparent process to identify mature states to draw from the leadership opportunities. Support a culture of leadership and mentoring for all Commissioners.

The LDC met eight times following the 2017 ABM and was chaired by Commission Past Chair Kate Wren Gavlak (CA). The following Commissioners served on the LDC:

- 1. Kate Wren Gavlak California
- 1. Laura Anastasio Connecticut
- 2. Sarah Forster Maine
- 3. Gary Hartman Wyoming
- 4. Cheryl Serrano Colorado
- 5. Craig Neuenswander Kansas
- 6. Marcy Herman Alaska

Key Steps for the LDC

- Create a survey to identify individuals interested in various positions
- Identify criteria for applying for positions
- Develop and maintain timeline for completing surveys
- The application process and the nomination slate
- Share detailed job descriptions so interested parties know what is involved
- Time commitment and support of employers for each elected position
- Develop a group of individuals who are in the pipeline to move into leadership positions

Commissioner Serrano provided the survey and application deadlines for the Commission's information and outlined the election process. Ex-officio Eileen Huck (NMFA) asked Commissioner Serrano to expand on the application process. Commissioner Serrano responded that there needed to be a mechanism for Commissioners to communicate their desire to serve in a leadership position that was transparent. The application process does not preclude nominations from the floor at the ABM. Commissioner Deanna McLaughlin (TN) asked if the LDC considered contacting those candidates who submitted less information than other candidates. Commissioner Serrano explained the Committee did not want to manipulate, or appear to manipulate, any information they received so they did not reach out to those individuals. Commissioner McLaughlin followed-up and asked why the members were being

asked to sign their ballot if the voting is secret and Commissioner Serrano responded Commissioners do not sign the ballot itself. Instead they sign or initial next to their state name to verify a single vote was cast on behalf of their member state.

General Counsel explained the process is voluntary and does not eliminate anyone from running for an office. When asked for clarification regarding the length of each appointment, General Counsel responded that the only terms mentioned in the statute are Article IX, E which states each position serves for a term of one-year term, but individuals can run for an additional term. Commissioner McLaughlin asked if a Designee could be elected to a leadership position. Counsel Masters clarified the Compact Model Language only recognizes Commissioners appointed by the appointing authority of their state. According to the Model Compact Language there is no such position as a designee. Commissioners can run for a leadership position.

- 1. **Elections and Slate of Candidates** Commissioner Craig Neuenswander (KS) presented the Slate of Candidates for 2018 Election of Office:
 - a. For the position of Treasurer: Kathleen Berg (HI) and Bob Buehn (FL).
 - b. For the position of Vice Chair: Laura Anastasio (CT) and Pam Deering (OK).
 - c. For the position of Chair: John "Don" I. Kaminar (AR) and Pete LuPiba (OH).
 - d. Commissioner McLaughlin nominated Commissioner Shelley Joan Weiss (WI) for Vice Chair, seconded by Commissioner Marcy Herman (AK) from the floor.
 - e. Proxy Loftis motioned to close nominations, seconded by Commissioner Blaine Hedges (KY). Motion carried.
 - i. Three minutes were provided for each candidate to address the Commission.
 - ii. Confidential paper ballots were made available for Commissioners to vote on Thursday, October 18, 2018 from 7:00AM 8:30AM ET outside the General Session room.
 - iii. The Election Guide was available online as well as paper copies were available during voting.

<u>Meeting Recess</u> – At approximately 5:30PM ET, Commissioner Berg motioned to recess the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Kathleen Murphy (NH). Motion passed unanimously.

Reconvening

National Commission Chair Rosemarie Kraeger (RI) reconvened the meeting on Thursday, October 18, 2018 at 8:36AM ET.

Presentations (cont.)

Seasons of My Military Student: Practical Ideas for Parents and Teachers - Stacy Huisman and Amanda Trimillos, co-authors of the aforementioned book, provided insights from their experience as military spouses and parents transitioning with their families. The book and presentation demonstrated the impact teachers have on military-connected students and how important it is for educators to understand the Compact and how it can impact successful education transitions when implemented properly.

Executive Reports

National Chair Report - Chair Kraeger stated the EXCOM met twelve times in 2017-2018. The EXCOM renewed the Memorandum of Understanding with the Military Impacted Schools Association (MISA) to provide training for school districts. The EXCOM proposed MIC3 Rules changes, produced three public service announcements, and one training video. The EXCOM oversaw litigation in two

member states and three legal advisories. The committee members concentrated on transparency with an outward focus to include the full Commission by distributing a mid-year survey. The Chair thanked the members of the EXCOM for their dedicated service to the Commission.

Commissioners Mid-Year Survey Results – The purpose of which was to poll the Commissioners and use those results to better the Commission. The Chair outlined the survey deadlines and response rate of 47.8% by the final submission date of August 17, 2018. The Chair recognized ED Imai who reviewed the survey results. The survey identified the following:

- Overall value of the Compact Increased 77%, 23% Remained Same
- General Strengths Framework for resolving transitional issues, Education and Resources, Improved Communications
- General Weaknesses Need to focus on kids and families, Connect with Reserve/Guard families, Need for digital materials for educators

After review of the Mid-Year Survey the following recommendations were identified: develop a guide for Rules submittals, build Compact awareness and communications, and develop training/digital resources. Chair Kraeger thanked the Commissioners for their candid responses and work to continuously improve implementation and outreach efforts of the Compact.

Elections

The Commission voted by secret ballot on October 18, 2019, 7:00AM – 8:30 AM ET to fill the Chair, Vice Chair, and Treasurer leadership positions. After the first ballot no majority was achieved among the three candidates for the Vice Chair position. General Counsel declared that a majority of the vote having not been achieved by one of the candidates generated the need for a run-off. ED Imai announced a run-off election by secret ballot for Vice Chair between Commissioner Deering and Commissioner Anastasio would be held at 12:00PM ET.

At approximately 1:00PM ET Chair Kraeger announced the election results. Treasurer Bob Buehn (FL), Vice Chair Laura Anastasio (CT), and Chair John "Don" I. Kaminar (AR) were elected and would begin serving their terms of office on December 1, 2018.

Closed Session

A motion made to enter closed session by Proxy Loftis, seconded by Commissioner Berg. Motion carried.

Executive Reports (cont.)

Executive Director Report - ED Imai asked the Commission to read the Committee Report available in the Docket Book for a full report. She expressed her appreciation for the National Office staff and their hard work and dedication to military families. Chair Kraeger emphasized the Annual Report and recommended Commissioners distribute that document throughout member states and recommended sharing the document with their state councils.

New Business

Proposed Rules Change on a Dues Formula Increase – Commissioner Lynch made a motion to increase the annual dues in FY20 from \$1.00 per student to \$1.15 per student, and in kind increasing the minimum a state pays in dues from \$2,000 to \$2,300, and a maximum of \$69,000 from the former maximum \$60,000. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Weiss. Chair Kraeger opened the floor for discussion. Proxy Loftis asked if the proposed dues increase had been communicated to the states or would the Commissioner be responsible for that and the Chair responded that the Commissioner would inform their state if the dues increase were to pass. Commissioner Mclaughlin made a motion to amend the start date of the dues increase to FY21 to allow Commissioners time to coordinate with their state

budget departments. A motion to amend was seconded by Commissioner Hedges. Commissioner Lynch did not accept the amendment to his original motion, so the floor was opened for discussion on the amendment. Commissioner Daron Korte (MN) asked if there would be negative financial implications if implementing the dues increase were delayed. Commissioner Lynch cited the annual use of reserve funds to cover the operating cost of the Compact, dwindling enrollment into the military services, and the upward trend in overhead cost. He also noted there had not been an increase in the dues since the inception of the Compact despite an escalation in cost.

Commissioner Hedges asked for clarification regarding the use of reserve funds specifically why the need to maintain a balance in the reserve instead of using a portion of that money to address rising Compact cost. Commissioner Hedges added that the Department of Defense is growing so a growth in enrollment should be anticipated not a decline. Commissioner Lynch reminded members that the Commission has, since its inception, passed a yearly budget at the ABM so the Finance Committee made the recommendation to implement the dues increase in the next budget cycle which would be FY20. Commissioner Hedges added implementing the dues increase in FY21 would allow states to inform their state budget office and the department responsible for paying the dues. Commissioner Orzalli reminded the members that during the 2017 ABM the Commission discussed and tried to address the shortfall. The result of that discussion is the proposed dues increase.

Chair Kraeger asked ED Imai to read the proposed dues increase legal rationale from the floor. The Chair recognized General Counsel who clarified the reserve fund policy is based on best practices for non-profit organizations similar to MIC3 and clarified that the organization's viability depends on more than each member state paying their annual dues. Commissioner Berg explained the Commission, during her time as Chair, discussed the reserve fund and that led to developing acceptable practice and determined the wisdom of maintaining a reserve fund.

No

A roll call vote was held for the motion as amended.

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Chair Kraeger reported the motion to amend the proposed Rules change on a dues formula increase failed. Commissioner Lynch repeated the original motion to accept the proposed Rules change on a dues formula increase as presented and seconded by Florida. Chair Kraeger conducted a voice vote. A majority of the Commission voted in favor of the motion to accept the dues increase except Kentucky. Motion carried.

FY2020 Proposed Budget - Commissioner Lynch made a motion to approve the FY2020 Proposed Budget, seconded by Proxy Jenkins. Motion carried.

Proposed Rule Requiring Annual State Council Meetings - Commissioner Korte stated the proposed Rules change requiring annual State Council meetings would create a new definition in Rules Chapter 100, SEC 1.101 to define state council and Rules Chapter 200, SEC 2.105. Commissioner Korte made a motion to approve the proposed Rule change, seconded by Commissioner Weiss. Chair Kraeger opened the floor for discussion. Commissioner Korte provided the Commission with evidence of state council meetings and those member states that have not held meeting in two years. He provided testimony demonstrating support for the proposed Rules change. Commissioner Orzalli asked that the motion be amended to add the word "draft" before minutes in paragraph A. Commissioner Korte accepted the friendly amendment. Commissioner French asked what the punishment would be for those states who do not hold an annual state council meeting and Commissioner Korte responded that the process was informal communications between the National Office and the member state. Should that communication fail to lend results then General Counsel or the Chair of the Compliance Committee would notify the member state in writing that they were noncompliant. Should a state refuse to comply the last course of action would be to have the MIC3 General Counsel file a petition in Federal court to force the member state to comply.

Rules Committee Vice Chair Commissioner Taneka Miller (DC) voiced concern that the Compact Model Language sufficiently outlined state council meetings and the proposed Rules change created a situation where a member state would be noncompliant if they determine an annual state council meeting is not necessary to implement the Compact effectively. Commissioner Korte responded that the Compact Model Language does not contain specific language regarding the number of times each state council meets, but he agreed with Commissioner Miller in that the Commission needs to be cautious that extraneous rules are not created that overstep the bounds of the Commission. He concluded by stating that asking states to hold a meeting of their state council was not an unreasonable request. General Counsel also addressed the question presented by Commissioner Miller citing that in agreement with Commissioner Korte the statute requires a state council body which implies that they meet and conduct the business of the Compact. The proposed Rules change is clarification of the language in the statute. Commissioner Miller clarified that the issue was not requiring annual state council meetings but with not having the punitive steps clearly outlined before adopting the Rules change. Commissioner Serrano interjected that the National Office and even individuals within the state have tried to compel state councils to meet but have been repeatedly ignored so that was why the Compliance Committee felt a Rules change was in order.

The motion being made to accept the proposed Rules requiring annual state council meetings was voted on by voice. The following member states voted against the motion: District of Columbia, North Dakota, and West Virginia. Motion carried.

Standing Committee Reports

Finance - Commissioner Greg Lynch (WA) briefed the Commission. For FY18 100% of the annual state dues were collected, the annual audit, performed by Blue and Co., came back clean, and the Finance Committee completed all three goals assigned to them in the 2017-2019 Strategic Plan. There being no questions Commissioner Lynch closed the Finance Committee report.

Compliance - Commissioner Korte thanked the Compliance Committee for their hard work and dedication to better the implementation of the Compact. He explained the Compliance Committee works to better the Commission and support the initiatives of each member state. The Committee's focus in 2019 is to develop a New Commissioner Checklist, improve communications with appointing authorities to assist with filing Commissioner vacancies, and outlining the different steps the Commission would take to encourage compliance.

Rules - Commissioner Gable thanked the members of the Rules Committee for their work. She encouraged the members present to submit unique cases they have encountered or cases that demonstrate best practices using the Unique Case Submission form. The Rules Committee updated the Rules book and it is currently available online. Commissioner Gable concluded her report stating the Rules Committee is developing a Promulgation of Rules Guide to clarify the process by which new Rules or amendments to Rules may be proposed.

Training - Commissioner Kaminar expressed his appreciation for the Committee member's dedication to developing the Breakout Sessions for ABM. The Training Committee will work in 2019 to develop online training materials and a New Commissioner Mentoring program. Commissioner Kaminar debuted the Compact Overview video developed by the Training Committee.

Communications and Outreach - Commissioner Weiss yielded the floor to Communications Associate Richard Pryor for a report on the website and online media resources. Mr. Pryor highlighted recent changes and available resources on the mic3.net site. Commissioner Weiss thanked the Committee for their hard work over the past year. Commissioner Weiss included her report by debuting the public service announcements developed in partnership with DoD, the National Office, and the Training Committee.

Ex-Officio Reports

National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) - Davis Whitfield explained NFHS leadership organization for athletics and fine art activity. As a federation each state governs independently, and all rulings are made at the local level. The federation comes together to address health and safety and education. The transitioning military-connected student presents a challenge for the NFHS because residency is how state associations determine where students participate in athletics and activities. A student must reside in the district where they want to participate in sports or other fine art activities. All questions should be addressed to the Superintendent in the district where the family is transitioning to. Each state looks at academic eligibility differently and that comes from the school not from the federation. The NFHS recommends understanding the rules and guidelines regarding athletics and activities before you move into the district.

U.S. Department of Defense (DOD) - USDOD Representative Kathleen Facon reported on transition support grants offered to public schools through the DOD's competitive grant program. Funding has varied from year to year because it reflects the funding available within the DOD. Representative Facon informed the Commission that the DoD is planning to hold a council meeting related to its work with MIC3.

Military Impacted School Association (MISA) - Executive Director Kyle Fairbairn reported that the second Memorandum of Understanding had been signed with the Commission that will allow MISA and MIC3 to provide joint training in MISA School Districts. There is no cost affiliated with the training and no funds will be exchanged between the Commission and MISA. To date 47 school districts have been reached in four trainings. Only seven of those school districts were MISA districts that translates to 40 districts learning about the Compact that may not have had the opportunity without this partnership. He concluded his report by recognizing the other ex-officio organizations of the Compact.

Military Child Education Coalition (MCEC) - David Splitek updated the Commission on MCEC's current outreach efforts. He provided insights on current mentoring programs established and supported by MCEC to help military-connected children and their parents.

National Military Family Association (NMFA) - Eileen Huck updated the Commission regarding NMFA's activities during the past year. Ms. Huck stated NMFA's grant through the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation focused on military families, academic standards, and school quality.

General Attendee Sessions Report

Chair Kraeger explained that three breakout sessions were held focused on topics related to the Compact.

Advancing School Relationships - Dr. Keith Mispagel, Superintendent, Fort Leavenworth School District; Ms. Helen Payne, Superintendent, North Hanover School District
The session explored the various ways and forms of communication used by school districts to connect with the military families attending their schools. Ms. Payne explained the four "C" of building relationships: communicating, connecting, committing to the process, and caring about people. She explained how the time to build those relationships is before you need them. The participants shared their experiences and ideas on how they do that within their communities and school districts. Dr. Mispagel and Ms. Payne thanked the attendees and praised their knowledge and willingness to share their ideas.

Future Annual Business Meetings

Commissioner Serrano encouraged members to attend the 2019 ABM in Colorado Springs, CO on October 23-24, 2019. The 2020 ABM will be held in Little Rock, Arkansas – dates are forthcoming. Commissioner Kaminar extended an invitation to the Commission and highlighted some of the interesting sites Little Rock has to offer. Chair Kraeger reported that 2021 is scheduled for Nevada however due to the current Commissioner vacancy for this state, the location is not yet confirmed. She added once the Nevada appointment is received, the National Office will verify with the new Commissioner. She concluded by stating proposals for 2022 are being accepted, and interested states should contact the National Office.

Closing Comments

Chair Kraeger informed the Commission that Tier Group reports would be disseminated after the meeting due to time constraints. Commissioner Daniel Dunham (VA) recognized Commissioner LuPiba for his work with Ohio's Purple Star program. Commissioner LuPiba presented the Commission with a proclamation from the Office of the Governor of the state of Ohio, the Honorable John Kasich. The Commission recognized Past Chair Gavlak for her steadfast service to the Commission and military-connected children. Chair Kraeger closed the meeting by thanking the Commissioners for their hard work and dedication.

Adjournment

Commissioner Serrano (CO) motioned to adjourn at 3:36PM ET, seconded by Commissioner Kaminar (AR). Motion carried.