

## Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children- State Council

### Meeting Minutes

June 5, 2018

#### Attendees:

Joan Barret

Dorsey Newcomb

Joe Driskill

Dr. Roger Dorson

Kathy Ayd

Steve Lynch

Brian Henry

Correction to previous minutes- Joe Driskill's name was misspelled, please change from Driskoll to Driskill.

#### Summary Points:

- Create a stronger emphasis on sharing information to school districts unaware of the interstate compact.
- Discussion regarding the joint letter from the Secretaries of the Army, Navy, and Air Force regarding quality education for military families with an emphasis on equity and clear expectations for performance.
- School choice was discussed and the state council was encouraged to adopt a position of high expectations for military children.
- Possible topics related to the Interstate Compact:
  - Grade Point Average as students transition through various school district weighting systems.
  - Virtual learning opportunities for transitioning military students to support those having to enter late or leave early from school systems.
  - Dr. Dorson, Missouri Education Commissioner, commended Missouri military-impacted districts for their emphasis on rigor and academic success.
  - Identify better methods for communicating effective practices in the military school community.
  - Cherise Imai encouraged the state to complete the survey designed to solicit input for the upcoming national meeting.
- Dorsey Newcomb encouraged a connection between the National Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission and Blue Star Families. This organization would be helpful in communicating the rights under the compact extended to military families in all states.
- The Council discussed extending invitations to the following districts:
  - Platte County- Mike Reik

- Park Hill- Jeanette Cowherd
- North Kansas City- Danny Clemmens
- St. Joseph
- Belton- Andy Underwood
- Jefferson City
- Sedalia
- Warrensburg
- Windsor
- In addition, the council will send an invitation for representation to the Missouri State High School Activities Association.
- Military Advocate Update- Joe Driskill, Missouri Military Advocate, discussed quality of life issues surrounding military decision-making. In addition, the concept of Bases of Choice was shared.
- Cherise Imai shared that dues will increase for the upcoming year to \$1.15 a student.
- The Council will meet again on October 2, 2018 at 2 p.m. in Knob Noster, MO.