

**RULES COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**June 16, 2020**

PRESENT	Mary Gable	Maryland Commissioner	Chair
	Kathleen Berg	Hawaii Commissioner	
	Daniel Dunham	Virginia Commissioner Designee	
	Darrell Floyd	Oklahoma Commissioner	
	Susan Haberstroh	Delaware Commissioner	
	Cindy Hunt	Oregon Commissioner	
	Deanna McLaughlin	Tennessee Commissioner	
	Douglas Ragland	Alabama Commissioner	
	Ben Rasmussen	Utah Commissioner	
	Nicole Russell	NMFA	Ex-officio
STAFF	Cherise Imai	Executive Director	
	Lindsey Dablow	Training and Operations Associate	Secretary
GUEST	Lakeeshia Fox	Director of Legislative Affairs, District of Columbia (D.C.) Deputy Mayor for Education	

**ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME**

1. Committee Chair Mary Gable (MD) called the meeting to order at 2:03 PM ET. Training and Operations Associate Lindsey Dablow called roll and a quorum was established.
2. Chair Gable welcomed new member Lakeeshia Fox, the Director of Legislative Affairs for the D.C. Mayor Education Office and noted Ms. Fox will be the compact commissioner.

**ITEM 2 – AGENDA AND MINUTES**

7. Commissioner Deanna McLaughlin (TN) motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Designee Dan Dunham (VA). Motion carried.
8. Commissioner Ben Rasmussen (UT) motioned to approve the minutes from May 19, 2020. Commissioner McLaughlin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**ITEM 3 – REPORTS**

9. **Executive Committee (EXCOM)** – Chair Gable reported the EXCOM discussed moving the Annual Business Meeting (ABM) to a virtual meeting, and considered factors such as the hotel's ability to hold the event under pandemic guidelines, the increase of COVID-19 related cases in Arkansas, as well as the ability of commission members to travel and attend the meeting. After deliberation, the EXCOM determined it was in the best interest of the Commission to move the meeting from in-person to a virtual format. Chair Gable noted staff is researching the logistics of the meeting and additional information would be released in the next several weeks. Training and Operations Associate Lindsey Dablow stated a notification would be released to the Commission shortly and encouraged members to submit questions to the National Office.

10. Commissioner Darrell Floyd (OK) stated the Oklahoma State Superintendents recently held a virtual conference and utilized the WHOVA platform. Executive Director Cherise Imai thanked Commissioner Floyd for the suggestion. She noted the Commission is examining several platform options, such as Zoom, and including the current system, *GoToMeeting and Webinar*, which the Commission currently utilizes for all meetings and pays an annual fee for.

11. Chair Gable noted Maryland has prohibited the use of Zoom on their government system. Overall, ED Imai stated the platform needed to be secure and meet the needs of the Commission to hold the meeting.

#### ITEM 4 – OLD BUSINESS

12. **Policy Development and Review**– The Chair reviewed changes to the Policy Development and Approval document made at the May 19, 2020 Committee meeting.

13. Commissioner Kathleen Berg (HI) asked for clarification on *Article III, D. EXCOM Proposals* that proposed policies developed by the EXCOM would be reviewed by another Standing Committee of the Commission and the procedure for committee referral. The Committee agreed to clarify that the policy would be reviewed by a second committee prior to adoption. The Members also added language clarifying the vetting process would remain the same as outlined in *Section III, C Approval*.

14. The Committee changed “voted on in favor” in *Article V* to “approved”.

15. Commissioner Berg noted a typo in *Article II Authority, B. Model Compact Language, Section C. Executive Committee, Officers, and Personnel, Subsection 1a* and requested “156” be deleted to correct the entry. The Members agreed to delete the typo.

16. Commissioner Berg motioned to approve the policy as amended with referral to the EXCOM for approval. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Floyd. Motion carried.

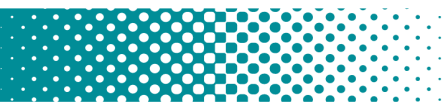
#### ITEM 5 – NEW BUSINESS

#### ITEM 6 – ADJOURNMENT

17. **Feedback for the EXCOM** – The Chair asked for any comments or questions for referral to the EXCOM. None were received.

18. **Next meeting** – Chair Gable noted the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 21. Commissioner Floyd asked if there was a need to hold the meeting as the committee business was concluded. The Chair yielded the floor to Ms. Dablow and she responded that meetings are scheduled in accordance with the Commission By-laws and Rules. If there is a proposed new Rule or amendment to an existing Rule, then Rules Committee must meet 30 days prior to the ABM to review the proposal. Although, currently no Standing Committee is developing such a proposal the meetings must stay on the calendar for now but can be canceled by the Chair if there is no need to meet.

19. Commissioner Berg stated the National Guard and Reserve Task Force is currently preparing the Task Force’s recommendation to the Commission regarding extending coverage



to the aforementioned groups. Commissioner Berg informed the Members that at this time she was uncertain if that recommendation would lead to a Rules change or not because the Task Force is waiting on guidance from General Counsel Rick Masters and Council of Governments Deputy Director and General Counsel Jason Moseley.

20. Chair Gable stated the committee meeting would stay on the calendar but be cancelled if the Committee did not have any business to conduct.

21. Commissioner Susan Haberstroh (DE) thanked the members for their work, acknowledged the staff support, and thanked Chair Gable for her leadership.

22. **Adjournment** – There being no further discussion, Commissioner Haberstroh motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Berg. The meeting was adjourned at 2:32 PM EST.

Respectfully submitted by:

Lindsey Dablow  
Training and Operations Associate, Secretary