



MINUTES OF THE RULES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD BY CONFERENCE CALL ON DECEMBER 13, 2016

PRESENT	John "Don" Kaminar	Arkansas Commissioner	Chair
	Brig Gen (Ret) Kathleen Berg	Hawaii Commissioner	
	Mary Gable	Maryland Commissioner	
	Taneka Miller	District of Columbia Commissioner	
	Robert Staver	Pennsylvania Commissioner	
	Cherise Imai	Executive Director	Secretary
	John Matthews	Program Specialist	
	Richard Pryor	Operations Coordinator	
ABSENT	Diane Douglas	Arizona Commissioner	
	Daniel Dunham	Virginia Commissioner Designee	
	Pete Koehler	Idaho Commissioner	
	Mike Reed	Mississippi Commissioner	
	Rick Masters	General Counsel	

ITEM 1 – MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

1. The meeting was called to order at 2:02 PM ET and the roll call was taken by Cherise Imai, MIC3 Executive Director. Five of nine voting members and three staff members were present.

ITEM 2 – AGENDA AND PREVIOUS MINUTES

2. Don Kaminar, Arkansas Commissioner and Rules Committee Chair, added the "Rules Interpretation Request" made by Brig Gen (Ret) Kathleen Berg, Hawaii Commissioner to the meeting agenda. The agenda and minutes were approved.

ITEM 3 – SELECTION OF A VICE CHAIR

3. Taneka Miller, District of Columbia Commissioner, was nominated and approved by the Committee to be the new Committee Vice Chair.

ITEM 4 – OLD BUSINESS

4. *Temporary Housing* – Chair Kaminar reported that the consensus of the Military Impacted Tier Breakout Session at the 2016 MIC3 Annual Business Meeting (ABM) was that no rule change was necessary. Rather than a rule, other less rigid options should be explored and best practices should be shared. Mary Gable, Commission Vice Chair and Maryland Commissioner, concurred with the report. The Committee requested that the National Office brief on cases accordingly and prepare best practices based on the results at the next Rules Committee meeting. (Open Item)

ITEM 5 – NEW BUSINESS

5. *Strategic Plan – Goal #1: Identify partners (current and future) at the national, federal, state and local levels that have mutual interests and common goals:* Chair Kaminar inquired whether the national office requested a list of organizations and memberships from the states. Imai reported that the national office does not. Gable clarified that at the ABM, the Committee wanted to look at what value an organization brought to the Commission rather than just providing a list of organizations. The focus

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should be on the current ex-officio members and their value to MIC3. From there, the Commission should assess what is missing and what is needed. Brig Gen (Ret) Berg concurred and added that there was strong push back against establishing Memorandums of Understanding due to legal implications.

6. Imai explained that the Executive Committee wanted the national staff to extend their outreach to other organizations. As part of this effort, the national staff attended the Summit of the States sponsored by the National Center for Interstate Compacts, part of the Council of State Governments. This allowed for networking with other interstate compacts. She requested that members of the Committee send the national office any organizations that the Commission should research, contact, and possibly attend their meeting or conference.

7. Imai also briefed the Committee on the recent meeting that she and Rick Masters, MIC3 General Counsel, had with the U.S. Department of Education (USDOE) and the U.S. Department of Defense (DOD). She explained that the USDOE has a military affairs team that works specifically on issues related to military-connected children. They offered their assistance with promoting the Interstate Compact and the Commission. Brig Gen (Ret) Berg stated that the national office should establish a definition of partnership and what activities and events fit into that definition. Taneka Miller, District of Columbia Commissioner, stated that it also needs to be clear about what is the responsibility of the Commission and the responsibility of the states. Chair Kaminar and Imai will work on a definition of partnership to include different levels of partnership and report back at the next Committee meeting. (Open Item)

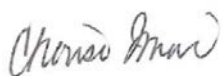
8. **Strategic Plan – Goal #2: Develop a communication mechanism for dissemination of information through partnership changes to convey our message and promote our vision (In conjunction with the PR and Training Committee).**: Brig Gen (Ret) Berg questioned the word “changes”. National Staff was asked to check whether this was correct. She stated this goal seems to be tied to the definition of partnership. Chair Kaminar stated that he would contact the Chair of the PR and Training Committee regarding this goal. (Open Item)

9. **Rule Interpretation Request by Hawaii** – Brig Gen (Ret) Berg explained a request for a rules interpretation sent to the national office regarding Kindergarten age and enrollment. This request is being made to help with addressing cases where parents send the child someplace other than the address of residence to get around the age and enrollment requirements of the state. National staff would look to add a resource to the website about the Kindergarten age dates for each state. Chair Kaminar asked that this item be kept on the agenda for the next Committee meeting. Imai and Masters should report back on whether a rule change is necessary. (Open Item)

ITEM 6 – ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 PM ET.

Respectfully submitted by:



Cherise Imai
Executive Director

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