



WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF **Public Instruction**

Wisconsin State Council of the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunities for Military Children (MIC3)

Commissioner Shelley Joan Weiss

Agenda

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1. Call to Order - Shelley Joan Weiss
 - a. Welcome
 - i. Please join me in welcoming our newest members.
 - ii. Col Sheyla Baez-Ramirez, Garrison Commander, Fort McCoy, Military Representative to the WI State Council.
 1. Appointment letter received JUL 2024.
 2. Thank you to Col Stephen Messenger for his excellent service to our Council and to military children. Col Messenger has moved to his new assignment teaching at the Army Senior Service College. Col Messenger shared his leadership website themaximumstandard.com.
 - iii. Amanda Venske, Education Benefits Program Manager, University Veteran Services, University of Wisconsin-Madison. Amanda has been supportive in communicating and supporting military children and other military members at the University level.
2. Approval of Agenda
 - a. Motion made by _____ Second by _____
3. Approval of Minutes from February 29, 2024
 - a. Motion made by _____ Second by _____

4. Comments from WI State Superintendent Dr. Jill Underly
 - a.
5. Sharing the 2024-25 WI State Council Member Listing
 - a. [2024-25 WI State Council Member Listing](#)
6. Resources from MIC3
 - a. [MIC3](#) has resources available. DPI links to MIC3 on the website.
7. Update on Commissioner activities.
 - a. Agendas and minutes submitted to MIC3 office.
 - b. End of Year Report submitted to MIC3 office.
 - c. Dues paid by Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.
 - d. All required forms completed (e.g., Code of Conduct, Conflict of interest)
 - e. Actively participated in Compliance Committee meetings.
8. Contacts/questions addressed.
 - a. Out-of-state family requesting support to attend WI School. Not supported/covered by the compact. Shelley connected them with the Commissioner for the state where the family resides.
 - b. Family requesting exceptions for family not notifying school/district of absences not related to military duty. Not supported /covered by the compact. Shelley provided the family and the school district with the language from the compact and the WI DPI on reporting absences when the student is attending a public school.
 - c. Family requesting information on MIC3 resources. Shelley provided the information requested.
 - d. Individual requesting information on Purple Star School status in WI. Shared information from Council meeting minutes. Met with Thomas McCarthy, DPI.
9. Purple Star School status.
 - a. Deputy State Superintendent Thomas McCarthy and Shelley met in March to discuss and outline process needed to advance this effort. Shelley has continued to provide Thomas with updates from the national activities of Purple Star Schools.
10. Input from DPI Liaison, Andrea Donegan
 - a. Wisconsin Guarantee ([ACT 95](#)) - please see the [Wisconsin Guarantee resource](#) created by the Universities of Wisconsin. For additional information about ACT 95 or any new or revised admission processes, please contact the [Universities of Wisconsin](#) or the specific UW institution.
 - b. Andrea Donegan, DPI has also shared American School Counselor Association (ASCA) Position Statement, [The School Counselor and Military-Connected Students](#),

- c. A reminder of the resources available on [DPI Military Child webpage](#). If members have current, relevant statewide resources to share, they can request to have them posted on the webpage.
- 11. Celebrating Military Families
 - a. Please let Shelley know if you have information to share about your NOV activities and she will share with Council members.
 - b. November is Military Family Appreciation Month & Veterans Day
 - i. [DODEA Information](#)
 - ii. [National Military Family Association](#)
 - iii. [Military Child Education Coalition](#)
 - iv. [Veterans Day](#)
 - v. [WI DPI Veterans Day](#)
 - c. Planning for APR 2025, Month of the Military Child
 - i. Superintendents Michael Hansen and Sam Russ
- 12. Upcoming [MIC3 Annual Business Meeting](#)
 - a. OCT 16-17, 2024
- 13. Input from Members
- 14. Adjourn