

**Military Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children  
Florida Council Meeting Minutes  
April 10, 2020**

**Attendees:**

Jacob Oliva – Representing the Commissioner of Education  
Bob Buehn – Compact Commissioner  
Curtis Jenkins – Staff Support for Florida Council  
Kaye McKinley – Military Family Liaison  
Cherise Imai – Executive Director, National Compact Office  
Lindsey Dablow – National Compact Office  
Zackary Gibson – Representative of the Executive Branch  
Elaine LaJeunesse – Representative of Military Installation  
Cindy Gates – Representative for the Superintendent of the School District  
Felicia Trumpler – Florida Department of Education  
Andrew Weatherill - Florida Department of Education  
Kevin Hoeft - Florida Department of Education  
Capt. Amy Crim – US Air Force  
Cindy Brown – Senate Staff  
Lynda Brown – SLO NSA Panama City  
Sharon Kasica – SLO NS Mayport  
Jennifer Renner – House Committee  
Teri Wanamaker – SLO NAS Jacksonville  
Dawn Kaunike – SLO Whiting Field  
Susan Clark – SLO Patrick AFB  
Diana Caldwell – Senate Staff  
Jennifer Guy – House Staff  
Carissa Bergosh – SLO NAS Pensacola  
Dawn Mills – SLO NAS Key West

1. **Welcome / Introductions** – Jacob welcomed everyone and asked how they are doing during the pandemic. Jacob provided some information on the Instructional Continuity Plan (distance learning parameters). Jacob thanked Governor DeSantis and Commissioner of Education Corcoran for their Executive Orders and directives that emphasize safety of students and families and strong continuity of learning. Jacob encouraged all to check out the Florida Dept. of Education COVID Website detailed, up to the minute information. Jacob asked the group to help us promote the site. Jacob reported that Donald Jackson, an Army recruiter, requested that 2020 graduates committed to military assignments who meet all graduation requirements graduate promptly rather than wait for a delayed graduation because of the pandemic.
2. **Message from Compact Commissioner** – Bob gave a shout out to Elaine for her work with families not in her area that need assistance. Bob gave a special thanks to Curtis upon his retirement, for his many years of work for the Florida Council.

3. Update from National Compact Office – Cherise reported on MIC3 guidance on the new Strategic Plan. Cherise will send for distribution to the Florida Council. Many items are addressed.

- Families stranded
- Current state graduation requirement
- Pass/Fail states and how to handle transcripts

Cherise reported that the MIC3 site includes all state's COVID guidance. MIC3 is tracking and documenting transition challenges.

4. Current Technical Assistance – Curtis reported on work with families during COVID restrictions.

5. Update from School Liaison Officers – Sharon asked for advise regarding families and distance learning. Sharon gave her personal thanks to Curtis for his support over the years. Elaine emphasized the support for Curtis upon retirement. Elaine thanked Jacob, the Governor and Commissioner Corcoran for timely directives regarding COVID which she was able to share with military staff. Kaye shared her thanks for Curtis and his support. Carissa added her thanks for the assistance Curtis has provided especially mental health supports through telehealth. Dawn shared that all one needs to do is pick up the phone and Curtis is on the case. Jacob, Andrew, and Zack added thanks for all that Curtis has done over the years. Everyone felt Felicia has big shoes to fill.

6. Other Business

- Comments – Questions
- Next meeting July 10, 2020

7. Future Meeting Dates for 2020-2021

- October 9, 2020
- January 8, 2021
- April 9, 2021
- July 9, 2021