



West Virginia Council for the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 14, 2025 - 1:00pm

Attendees:

Robert Mellace (State Council Member)
Nickolas Lambruno (State Council Member)
Ryan Saxe (State Council Member)
Michele Blatt (State Council Member)
Carrie Clendening (non-council member)

Council Members Not Attending:

Ryan Weld (State Council Member)
Bill Anderson (State Council Member)
Edward Diaz (State Council Member)
MAJ Brittany Watson, (State Council Member term recently expired)

DOD Representative Not Attending:

Marcella Atwood

Welcome, Roll Call and Introductions

- The meeting was called to order at 1:03pm.
- Robert Mellace completed a roll call with introductions (see attendance above).

Approval of Agenda/Minutes and Remarks from the State Compact Commissioner

- Ryan Saxe moved for approval of minutes.
- Michele Blatt seconded the motion.
- The motion was approved.
- Nickolas Lambruno moved for approval of the agenda.
- Michele Blatt seconded the motion.
- The motion was approved.
- Mr. Nickolas Lambruno introduced himself as Compact Commissioner.

Remarks from the State Superintendent of Schools

- Robert Mellace introduced Ms. Michele Blatt, who joined remotely.

Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission (MIC3) Overview

- Robert Mellace gave an overview of the MIC3 Compact and highlighted events from the past year.

Common Ground Partnership Overview

- Robert Mellace gave an overview of the Common Ground Partnership.
- Nickolas Lambruno made comments about the Mountaineer Challenge Academy and explained the program.

Roundtable Discussion on MIC3 and the Common Ground Partnership

Discussion was opened. The group had no additional comments or questions.

Nickolas Lambruno moved to adjourn the meeting.

Michele Blatt seconded motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion was approved.