
ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Brigadier General Jason Rueschhoff

RE: Governor Hobbs Military Commanders Roundtable Discussion

DATE: 5/16/2024

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Event: Governor Hobbs Military Commanders Roundtable Discussion

Location: Luke Air Force Base, 14185 Falcon St, Luke AFB, AZ 85309

Roundtable location: Club 56

Date/Time: Thursday, May 16, 2024 9:00AM-10:00AM

Governor's Office Staff:

Governor Katie Hobbs

Kennesha "KJ" Jackson, Military Affairs and Public Safety Policy Advisor

Aaron Wonders, K-12 Education Policy Advisor

Agenda:

9:00-9:02am (Brigadier General): Introduction of the Governor/Welcome (2 minutes)

Brigadier General Speaking Notes: Brigadier General Jason Rueschhoff (Luke AFB Commander) will give opening remarks, welcome the Governor to Luke AFB, and introduce the Governor to the military commanders.

Note: Brigadier General will pass it over to the Governor who will then provide a welcome to the military commanders, school liaisons, and other military personnel.

9:02-9:05am (Governor): Welcome/Thank You (3 minutes or less)

Governor Speaking Notes: Governor Hobbs will thank the Luke AFB for hosting the roundtable, provide brief remarks then will hand it over to Colonel Peter Abercrombie to discuss the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission.

9:05-9:15am (Colonel Peter Abercrombie): Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission (MIC3) Facilitated Discussion (10 minutes)

Speaking Topics:

- MIC3 Overview
- *Speaker Talking Points:*
 - We appreciate your recent appointment of Peter Liang to serve as the

Commissioner for the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission. This appointment is a significant step forward in our efforts to support our military-connected families and children. As you may know, the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission was created to address the educational challenges faced by transitioning children of military families. These children often face significant educational disruptions due to frequent moves, deployments, and other military-related factors. The Compact aims to provide a consistent policy in every school district and member state, replacing the widely varying policies affecting transitioning military students.

- We look forward to collaborating with your office, the Arizona Department of Education, and the school liaisons. Together, we can identify and implement additional ways to support military families, ensuring that our military-connected children receive the high-quality education they deserve, regardless of their location or the frequency of their moves. Thank you again for your support.

- *Facilitated Discussion:*

- **Major General Troy “Tupper” Daniels, Assistant Adjutant General for Air & Air National Guard.**
- Speaking Topics:
 - MIC3
- **CSM Graydon Griffin, State Command Sergeant Major**
 - MIC3
- **Colonel Case Bartholomew, 355th Mission Support Group Commander & Davis-Monthan AFB Portion.**
- Speaking Topics:
 - MIC3
- **Colonel Ryan Avery, 162nd Mission Support Group Commander & Morris Air National Guard Base Portion.**
- Speaking Topics:
 - MIC3
- **CSM Jesse Townsend, US Army Intelligence Center of Excellence Senior Enlisted Advisor & Fort Huachuca Portion.**
- Speaking Topics:
 - MIC3
- **Colonel Jessica Hastings, 161st Air Refueling Wing Commander & Goldwater Air National Guard Base Portion.**
- Speaking Topics:
 - MIC3
- **Stacey Holland, School Liaison Program Manager**
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- Speaking Topics:
 - Purple Star School Program
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- Speaking Topics:
 - Purple Star School Program

9:25-9:55am (Base Commanders): Each base commander will spend a few minutes sharing a best practice or two that they have implemented for serving military families and military-connected children as well as identify an issue impacting their base. (10 minutes)

- **Brigadier General Jason Rueschhoff, Luke Air Force Base**
- Speaking Topics:
 - Best practices/challenges
- **Major General Troy “Tupper” Daniels, Assistant Adjutant General for Air & Air National Guard.**
- Speaking Topics:
 - Best practices/challenges
 - Note: Major General Troy “Tupper” Daniels will then hand it over to Colonel Case Bartholomew
- **Colonel Case Bartholomew, 355th Mission Support Group Commander & Davis-Monthan AFB Portion.**
- Speaking Topics:
 - Best practices/challenges
 - Note: Colonel Case Bartholomew will then hand it over to Colonel Ryan Avery
- **Colonel Ryan Avery, 162nd Mission Support Group Commander & Morris Air National Guard Base Portion.**
- Speaking Topics:
 - Best practices/challenges
 - Note: Colonel Ryan Avery will then hand it over to CSM Jesse Townsend
- **CSM Jesse Townsend, US Army Intelligence Center of Excellence Senior Enlisted Advisor & Fort Huachuca Portion.**
- Speaking Topics:
 - Best practices/challenges
 - Note: CSM Jesse Townsend will then hand it over to Colonel Jessica Hastings

- MIC3

Note: Colonel Peter Abercrombie will hand it over to Stacey Holland, Statewide Military School Liaison to facilitate the Purple Star Schools Program discussion.

9:15-9:25am (Stacey Holland) - Remarks and facilitated discussion on the Purple Star Schools Program Stacey Holland, Statewide Military School Liaison representative. (10 minutes)

Speaking Topics:

- Purple Star School Overview
- *Speaker Talking Points:*
 - Thank you for supporting the Purple Stars School Program. Your support for this program is essential in assisting children transition smoothly to new schools due to their parents' change in duty station. This program ensures that these children can continue their education without disruptions and stay on track to become college, workforce, and life-ready. Your support of the program will allow military children to achieve their academic and career goals. We also appreciate your recent appointment to the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission.
 - We look forward to collaborating with you, your staff, and the Arizona Department of Education to fully implement the Purple Stars School Program. Together, we can significantly impact the lives of military-connected children and their families.
- *Facilitated Discussion:*
 - **Major General Troy "Tupper" Daniels, Assistant Adjutant General for Air & Air National Guard.**
 - Speaking Topics:
 - Purple Star School Program
 - **Colonel Case Bartholomew, 355th Mission Support Group Commander & Davis-Monthan AFB Portion.**
 - Speaking Topics:
 - Purple Star School Program
 - **Colonel Ryan Avery, 162nd Mission Support Group Commander & Morris Air National Guard Base Portion.**
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 - **CSM Jesse Townsend, US Army Intelligence Center of Excellence Senior Enlisted Advisor & Fort Huachuca Portion.**
 - Speaking Topics:
 - Purple Star School Program

- **Colonel Jessica Hastings, 161st Air Refueling Wing Commander & Goldwater Air National Guard Base Portion.**
- Speaking Topics:
 - Best practices/challenges
 - Note: Colonel Jessica Hastings will then hand it over to Stacey Holland

Note: Colonel Abercrombie will turn the meeting back to the Governor for closing remarks.

9:55-10:00am (Governor): Closing Remarks + plus pass out challenge coins (5 minutes or less)

Governor Speaker Notes: Closing Remarks + pass out challenge coins

10:00am: Transition to bill signing ceremony

BILL SIGNING CEREMONY RUN OF SHOW
4/16/24

LOCATION: Luke Air Force Base, 14185 Falcon St, Luke AFB, AZ 85309

STAGING: Podium with an attached mic. All speakers to stand by podium for the whole program. After the remarks portion, the gov will transition to the signing desk and take some photos while sitting @ the desk. There will be no media Q&A.

10:00 - 10:09am

- This will give attendees enough time to go to the hangar/bathroom break

10:10am – Huddle with speakers to go over speaker order/get in places

10:15am – Brigadier General Jason Rueschhoff Luke AFB remarks & intro gov

10:18am – Gov @ podium, remarks & intro Melissa

10:23am – Melissa Rueschhoff, remarks & intro Superintendent

10:26am – Superintendent John Croteau remarks and turn time back to gov

10:30am – Transition to signing desk for photos

10:45am – Depart