



Illinois Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission State Council Meeting

Tuesday, 24 May 2022, 1000

Virtual Meeting Zoom Link

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MINUTES

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 1000 CST by Dr. Darcy Benway, Compact Commissioner, State of Illinois.

2. Roll Call:

Present:

- Dr. Darcy Benway, Illinois State Commissioner O'Fallon Township High School Superintendent
- Ms Katrina Cunningham Student Care Illinois State Board of Education
- Dr. Cindy Doil, School Liaison Officer, Scott AFB Representative (non-voting)
- Ms Amy Donathan School MFLC at Scott Air Force Base Scott AFB, IL
- Dr Craig Fiegel Superintendent Mascoutah School District 19
- Dr. Carrie Hruby Superintendent O'Fallon School District 90
- Mr Michael Legler Director, State Family Programs Illinois Army National Guard
- Mr David Lehfield School Liaison Officer Naval Station Great Lakes
- Ms Karen Perez-Torres Field Programs Coordinator USO of Illinois
- Dr John Price Superintendent North Chicago School District 187
- Mr James Rickel Defense-State Liaison Defense-State Liaison Central (IL, IN, MI, ND, OH, SD, WI, WV)
- Ms Laura Yarber Principal Holy Childhood School

- Guest:
 - Ms Cherise Imai, Executive Director, MIC3

Not in Attendance:

- Col Jason J. Glynn, Illinois Military Representative, 375 Mission Support Group Commander, Scott AFB, IL
- Mr. Jeffrey Aranowski, Executive Director for Safe and Healthy Climate, Illinois State Board of Education
- Ms Mackenzie Eisen, Office of the Governor
- Ms Suzanne Diener North Chicago School District 187
- Ms Amelia "Amy" Ent Child & Youth Program Coordinator Illinois National Guard
- Mr Kraig Garber Assistant Executive Director Illinois High School Association S (IHSA)
- Ms Tsoetsy Harris Lead Child & Youth Program Coordinator Dynamic Systems Technology, Inc.
- Ms Carrie Norwood Director of Programs USO of Illinois
- Ms Laura O'Brien School Liaison Officer Rock Island Arsenal
- Dr Rachel Savage Superintendent Moline-Coal Valley School District 40
- Mrs Cheryl Stutzman Teacher O'Fallon School District 90
- Ms Molly Uhe-Edmonds Illinois State Board of Education
- Ms Ebony Wilson North Chicago School District 187



- Illinois Representative
- Illinois State Senator

Old Business:

3. **Welcome:** Commissioner Benway welcomed attendees and thanked them for their support of the Council.
4. **MIC Resources:** Commissioner Benway reviewed the many resources available at the MIC3.net web site found at <https://mic3.net/resources/>
5. **Inclusion of Air National Guard/Air Force Reserve Members in Compact:** Commissioner Benway led a discussion with MIC3 Executive Director concerning inclusion of ANG and AFR members in the Compact. After discussion it was concluded that Commissioner Benway will seek language from other states who have included ANG and AFR in their separate legislation.
6. **Illinois Purple Star Initiative:** The current application was shown. It was proposed to change the application dates to September-January with a review of applications during the months of February and March so that Purple Star Award announcements can be made in April (Department of Defense Month of the Military Child-) Application is to be further discussed at the next meeting.
7. **Status of Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and the Military Identifier Progress:** Tabled
8. **Getting the Compact Word Out:** ISBE to make an announcement about the Purple Star Program to bring attention to the Compact.

New Business –

9. None
10. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 1103.