

## Texas State Advisory Council on Educational Opportunity for Military Children

January 23, 2023 • 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. • Teleconference via Zoom Webinar

### Attendance

Member	Role
Dr. Jimmy Bowser Texas Education Agency (TEA)	Highly Mobile State Coordinator, TEA
Lina De La Cruz Registrar, Denton ISD	Parent Representative
Simone Hendricks School Liaison, Fort Bliss, El Paso	Military Representative, Army
Col. Eugene "Easy" Moore Goodfellow Air Force Base, San Angelo	Military Representative, Air Force
Shelly Ramos Senior Director, Curriculum Standards and Student Support, Texas Education Agency (TEA)	Texas Commissioner Designee Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission
Dr. Burnie Roper Superintendent, Lackland ISD, San Antonio	Superintendent Representative, Military School District
Kathy Smith Assistant Veterans County Services Officer Conroe, Texas	Chair of Senate Committee on Education, Designee
Lani Webster Central High School, San Angelo ISD	School Counselor Representative
Madison Yandell Budget Policy Advisor, Office of the Governor	Governor's Designee

Heather Jaynes, SL represented CAPT McLean.

1. Call to Order

Sheri Messer, Texas Education Agency (TEA), called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. Public Comment

- There were no public comment registrations.

### 3. Operating Procedures

- Ms. Messer presented a draft of the state advisory council operating procedures.
- Dr. Burnie Roper suggested changing operating procedure 3.8.b.ii, Oral Public Comment in Connection with Regular Council Meetings to read, The council shall accept public comments pertaining to topics related to agenda and non-agenda items. There was no opposition to Dr. Roper's suggestion.
- Dr. Roper made a motion to accept the operating procedures with the change noted.
- Simone Hendricks seconded the motion to approve the operating procedures with the change noted.
- Dr. Roper's motion carried without opposition.

### 4. Overview MIC3 Annual Business Meeting

- Shelly Ramos presented items of note from the MIC3 Annual Business Meeting in November 2022, including the vote to expand the compact to cover children of parents on non-Title 10 National Guard and Reserve orders and amendments to Compact rules - Introduction (a) and Section 6.102, Eligibility for Extracurricular Participation.

### 5. Family Liaison Position

- Ms. Ramos presented information on the role of the family liaison on the advisory council. She also explained that this role is similar to the role Dr. Jimmy Bowser fills at TEA.
- Dr. Roper made a motion to designate Dr. Bowser as the family liaison for the state advisory council.
- Lina De La Cruz seconded the motion.
- Dr. Roper's motion carried without opposition.

### 6. April – Month of the Military Child

- Ms. Hendricks presented what schools in the state of Texas have done in the past to celebrate Month of the Military Child.
- Council members agreed to wear purple to the April 24, 2024 advisory council meeting in honor of Month of the Military Child and Purple Up Day. Ms. Messer shared with the council plans to take a group photo to post on the council webpage.

### 7. Council Member and Staff Reports

- Ms. Messer presented logo options for the council that were created by the TEA Creative Services team. A vote was taken, and council members chose option 1A (red and blue primary color dog tags with graduation cap).
- Ms. Messer presented an update on the council webpage. A webpage will be created and posted before the next advisory council meeting.
- Dr. Bowser presented information on resources for military-connected students, parents, and school staff.
- Ms. Ramos presented information on trends and issues in schools related to MIC3. The advisory council discussed the issues and some of the reasons. Ms. Ramos suggested a

solution to provide extra training and support to school counselors in districts and schools in areas of the state with high concentrations of military-connected students.

- The floor was open to any council member who wanted to discuss any topics related to the council. Dr. Roper stated that the state needs to identify a more robust standard for identifying military-connected students.

#### 8. Upcoming Events

- Ms. Ramos gave an overview of upcoming events.

#### 9. Adjourn

- Ms. Ramos adjourned the meeting at 2:50 p.m.