

**MINNESOTA STATE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**Wednesday, June 25, 2025**  
**10:00 – 11:00 AM CT**

PRESENT	Daron Korte Rep. Mary Frances Clardy Senator Steve Cwodzinski Eileen Otto Tim Rohweder Lindsey Dablow Allie Thomas	Minnesota Compact Commissioner Minnesota House of Representatives Minnesota State Senate Committee Legislative Assistant, Education Policy Team Incoming Superintendent, Proctor Public Schools Operations and Training Associate, MIC3 Operations Coordinator, MIC3
EXCUSED	Jonathan Lewis	Military Representative

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**ITEM 1 – Call to Order**

1. Compact Commissioner Daron Korte called the meeting to order at 10:04 AM ET and a roll call was conducted.

**ITEM 2 – Welcome and Introductions**

2. Commissioner Korte welcomed the members of the new Minnesota State Council, and the members introduced themselves.

**ITEM 3 – Agenda**

3. Commissioner Korte reviewed the agenda with the members.

**ITEM 4 – Compact 101 Training**

4. MIC3 Training and Operations Associate Lindsey Dablow provided a Compact 101 Training session, which highlighted the purpose and provisions of the Compact and outlined the role and responsibilities of the Commissioner and State Council members. Commissioner Korte reported legislation to adopt a Purple Star program was proposed in 2024 but was not yet approved. Similar state programs used the Compact 101 Training to fulfill professional development requirements for the Purple Star designation. Senator Steve Cwodzinski asked additional questions, to which Commissioner Korte responded that he would follow up with Senator Cwodzinski after the meeting.

**ITEM 5 – New Business**

5. **2024 Annual Report** – Commissioner Korte reviewed the 2024 Annual Report and noted that a copy was stored in the Minnesota Legislative Reference Library.
6. **Proposed Dues Increase Toolkit** – Commissioner Korte provided an overview of what the state dues covered and how the dues formula was calculated. He reported that a dues increase was proposed and would be voted on at the 2025 Annual Business Meeting (ABM) in October. If approved, the dues increase would raise the minimum amount of \$2,300 to \$4,000

beginning in fiscal year 2027. He stated the dues for Minnesota were paid out of the Minnesota Department of Education's Agency Operating Budget.

7. **State Council Member Discussion** – Commissioner Korte stated he had received recommendations for new members, including education partner organizations such as the Minnesota State High School League, Minnesota Association of School Administrators, Minnesota Rural Education Association, and **EMSD**. The members discussed future topics and presenters for future State Council meetings and incorporating new members. Commissioner Korte noted that the council was required to meet annually per the Compact statute, but the members could elect to meet biannually or quarterly once bylaws and infrastructure were established.

#### **ITEM 6 – Adjournment**

8. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM CT.