

TRAINING COMMITTEE MINUTES
Tuesday, February 23, 2021

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| PRESENT | Ernise Singleton Barbara Clemmer Leah Johnson Rosemarie Kraeger Kathleen Murphy Shelly Ramos Tim McMurtrey Nicole Russell | Committee Chair Pennsylvania Commissioner Iowa Commissioner Rhode Island Commissioner New Hampshire Commissioner Texas Commissioner Idaho Commissioner National Military Family Association |
| ABSENT | David Young | Vermont Commissioner |
| STAFF | Cherise Imai Lindsey Dablow Mary Pendleton | Executive Director, MIC3 Training and Operations Associate, MIC3 Administrative Assistant, MIC3 |
| GUEST | Dr. Tremekia Priester | South Carolina Dept. of Education |

ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM EST by Committee Chair, Commissioner Ernise Singleton (LA).

ITEM 2 – ROLL CALL

2. Roll call was taken by Training and Operations Associate, Lindsey Dablow. Quorum was established.

ITEM 3 – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

3. Commissioner Rosemarie Kraeger (RI) moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Barbara Clemmer (PA). Motion carried.

ITEM 4 – REPORTS

4. **Executive Committee** – Chair Singleton reviewed the past EXCOM Meeting which included topics such as committee assignments, improving school liaisons, and the support given by the National Office. The other standing committees have met and reported their work towards the Strategic Plan.
5. Executive Director Cherise Imai shared a summary of the recent trainings done by the National Office, which included trainings for the Specialized Training of Military Parents

(STOMP), the State of California, Missouri Department of Education, and the Florida Department of Education. ED Imai encouraged committee members to contact the National Office if their state or organization has training needs. The Finance Committee is researching a request for proposals for an operations audit for MIC3. Additionally, the National Office is researching how states fund their dues. ED Imai shared an update on her meeting with the White House regarding the relaunch of the Joining Forces 2.0 initiative. Discussions included special needs students, socioemotional needs of students, and race equity issues.

6. ED Imai concluded her report by stating the EXCOM Spring Meeting will be held virtually this year due to the pandemic.

ITEM 5 – OLD BUSINESS

7. No items were discussed.

ITEM 6 – NEW BUSINESS

8. **MIC3 Commissioner Mentoring Program Update** – There are newly appointed commissioners in California, District of Columbia, North Carolina, Iowa, Michigan, and Pennsylvania. ED Imai is waiting for a response from two of the seven mentors and will launch the program shortly. Chair Singleton mentioned the mentoring program is part of the Training Committee's Strategic Plan.

9. **2020-2022 Strategic Plan: Initiative for 2021** – Ms. Dablow led the committee in viewing the 2021 goals of the Strategic Plan. One goal is to "Continue to expand training within states, regionally, or online." She referenced several training initiatives to address these goals, including training the individuals who will give the greatest impact. There is a focus on connecting the school liaisons with the commissioners, which will be address in the February 24, 2021 webinar.

10. Chair Singleton said the committee should develop a calendar of training and determine which topics need to be on the training calendar. There was some discussion of how a school liaison is notified when there is a new commissioner in their state. Ms. Dablow suggested developing a process of making the process more efficient. ED Imai noted in some states the school liaisons work closely with the commissioner. When she knows this relationship exists, ED Imai invites the school liaisons to the commissioner onboarding meeting.

11. Commissioner Clemmer noted an important training component would be how to work with school liaisons who respond and how to work with those who don't respond to commissioners. Chair Singleton asked Ms. Dablow the best course of action to identify the training gaps. Ms. Dablow responded a survey could work well in identifying gaps and the committee agreed to a survey. Also, some states that have the Purple Star Program have built in training requirements for schools to obtain the Purple Star status. Ms. Dablow said she and ED Imai will prepare a draft of potential survey questions by the end of March for the committee's review.

ITEM 7 – OTHER BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

12. **Items for the Executive Committee** – Commissioner Kathleen Murphy (NH) asked for an update on the National Guard and Reserve Task Force recommendations. ED Imai mentioned a guidance would be releasing in the afternoon to help commissioners with their discussions with their state councils regarding this issue.

ITEM 8 – ADJOURNMENT

13/. With no further business to conduct, Commissioner Kraeger motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Murphy seconded the motion. Motion carried. Chair Singleton adjourned the meeting at 1:43 PM EST.