

RULES COMMITTEE MINUTES Tuesday, August 16, 2022 1:30 – 2:20 PM ET

PRESENT Mary Gable Maryland Commissioner Chair

Kathleen Berg Hawaii Commissioner

Daniel Dunham Virginia Commissioner Designee

Darrell Floyd Oklahoma Commissioner
Cindy Hunt Oregon Commissioner
Ben Rasmussen Utah Commissioner
Susan Haberstroh Delaware Commissioner
Davina French North Dakota Commissioner

EXCUSED Clara Botstein District of Columbia Commissioner

Philip Cantrell West Virginia Commissioner

STAFF Cherise Imai Executive Director

Lindsey Dablow Training and Operations Associate

Stephanie Ramsey Communications Associate

ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Mary Gable (MD) at 1:33 PM ET.

ITEM 2 – ROLL CALL

2. Roll call was taken by Communications Associate Stephanie Ramsey. A quorum was established.

ITEM 3 – APPROVAL OF AGENDA

3. Commissioner Kathleen Berg (HI) motioned to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ben Rasmussen (UT). Motion carried.

ITEM 4 - NEW BUSINESS

- 4. **Compact Rules Review -** The Committee started with the introduction. Commissioner Rasmussen had a question on the technical change of "may" to "shall." The Committee discussed and decided to keep the original language of "may."
- 5. The Committee reviewed *Chapter 100 Definitions*. Chair Gable noted the additions of "Accreditation" and "School Board." With no additional feedback the Committee reviewed Chapter 200.
- 6. On *Chapter 200, SEC. 2.101 (a) (3)* Ms. Ramsey informed the Committee of general counsel's recommendation regarding "regional group" to leave the original language and not change the term. The Committee agreed with general counsel's recommendation.
- 7. Chapter 200, SEC. 2.102 (a) the Committee reviewed the addition of language given from counsel on reports. The Committee determined it would be best to leave the additional language out

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and address this in the upcoming fiscal year. Executive Director (ED) Imai suggested the section on data collection and reporting be discussed in Tier Groups at the Annual Business Meeting. This would provide the Committee with feedback from the full Commission to focus on for the next year. Commissioner Berg also had a technical correction to change "a" to "an" in front of LEA and it was noted to thoroughly review the Rulebook to correct any other misusage.

- 8. In *Chapter 300*, Commissioner Berg noted adding "receiving" in front of "school board" *SEC. 3.102 (b) (2)* for clarity. The Committee discussed and agreed with Commissioner Berg's recommendation.
- 9. In Chapter 400, Commissioner Berg pointed out in *SEC. 4.102 (a)* there needed to be an additional semi-colon. ED Imai noted the change on *SEC. 4.102 (a)* from *Article VII to SEC*.
- 10. There being no edits in Chapter 500, the Committee reviewed Chapter 600. Commissioner Rasmussen suggested *Chapter 600, SEC. 6.101 (a) (3)* changing "the LEA" to "an LEA" for consistency purposes. The Committee agreed.
- 11. As there were no additional edits to the Compact Rulebook, ED Imai informed the Committee that after the Executive Committee (EXCOM) and the Commission approved the Rules amendments and edits the previous amendments listed in the introduction would be moved to the end of the book. She also noted headquarters will be reformatting the book and reducing the font size. She reminded the Committee this review is the first step of the Rules change process; after the Committee votes on the changes, it will be passed on to the EXCOM for approval and then on to the full Commission.
- 12. Commissioner Rasmussen motioned to approve the edits and amendments to the Rulebook and for it to be passed on to the EXCOM. Chair Gable seconded. Motion passed. Chair Gable praised the Committee and headquarters for their hard work on the edits for the Rulebook.
- 13. **FY23 Case and Inquiry Report** Ms. Ramsey presented the Case and Inquiry report and noted from the start of the fiscal year in July headquarters has received three (3) cases. She added the cases have all been from Tier 1 states. ED Imai provided an update on the two cases general counsel has been working. In the California case regarding World History, the receiving school would not count the course for graduation credit because the sequencing of the course differed from the California curriculum even though the course was counted in two different districts prior to the student attending the current school. After a default letter was sent to the school by general counsel, the receiving school agreed the student would not need to take the course if the parent signed a waiver to not hold the school liable.
- 14. In the Kentucky case, general counsel investigated the claim that the student was not provided notification of the sport tryouts. They determined the school had made the student aware of the tryout schedule even though it was not publicly published. To clarify this rule, the Kentucky Commissioner proposed a Rules amendment to Chapter 600. SEC. 6.102 to provide schools with additional guidance associated with public posting of information related to extracurricular activities. ED Imai noted the budget for legal fees has been higher than expected for Fiscal Year 2022 due to the two cases and the Rulebook review.

ITEM 5 – OTHER BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

15. **Feedback for the EXCOM** – The Committee recommended the EXCOM consider adding the topic of data collection and reporting to the Tier Groups agenda at the Annual Business Meeting (ABM).

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- 16. **ABM Registration** ED Imai reminded the Committee to register for ABM, and review the ABM Travel and Reimbursement webinar.
- 17. **Tier Group Meetings on Technical Amendment and NGR** ED Imai reminded members to attend their upcoming meeting in preparation for the ABM discussion and decision-making. She noted the meeting recording would be released in the event a member was not able to attend.

ITEM 6 - ADJOURNMENT

18. With no further business to conduct, Commissioner Berg motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Davina French (ND) seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 2:33 PM ET.

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