



Training Committee Minutes August 23, 2022

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ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:02 PM ET by Committee Chair, Commissioner Shelly Ramos (TX).

ITEM 2 – ROLL CALL

2. Training and Operations Associate Lindsey Dablow conducted roll call. A quorum was established.

ITEM 3 – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

3. Commissioner Kathleen Murphy (NH) motioned to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tremekia Priester (SC). Motion carried.

ITEM 4 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

4. The Committee determined to vote on the minutes from the June 28, 2022 meeting at the September Committee meeting due to the late receipt of meeting materials. [OPEN ITEM]

ITEM 5 – REPORTS

5. Executive Committee (EXCOM) – Chair Ramos stated the EXCOM met on July 16th and August 18. The Chair reminded Members to register for the Annual Business Meeting (ABM) if they had not done. During the EXCOM Meeting reports were provided by the Standing Committee Chairs. The Rules Committee completed their review of the Rules Book and will present those edits and amendments at ABM. The Compliance Committee continues to work with states that need to submit End-of-Year (EOY) Reports and hold their State Council meeting. If you have not submitted your state's EOY or held a State Council the deadline to do so was June 30, 2022.

6. Treasurer Henry reported the Commission's annual audit came back with no findings and the Commission is on target for the first quarter of FY22. Finally, the Tier Groups met to discuss the Compact Citation and National Guard and Reserve issue. The meetings were recorded and are posted

on mic3.net. The link to those videos were distributed via Constant Contact so Commissioners have access to the information and are prepared to vote on both issues at the ABM.

ITEM 6 – OLD BUSINESS

- 7. MIC3 Commissioner Mentoring Program Update** – Chair Ramos informed Members Commissioner Leah Johnson of Iowa and Commissioner Joel Wilson of Idaho submitted their letters of resignation. Headquarters is working with the appointing authority in those states to obtain a new representative. In the meantime, former Idaho Commissioner Tim McMurtrey will serve in place of Joel Wilson. Since Commissioner McMurtrey was formerly with the Commission no mentor was assigned to him. Once the National Office receives an appointment letter for Iowa or Idaho a mentor will be assigned to help onboard the new Commissioners.
- 8. Learning Management System (LMS)** – The Chair informed the Committee the National Office is in discussion to secure presentations from the two remaining LMS vendors LearnDash and LifterLMS. This agenda item will be a focus of the Committee in 2023. **[OPEN ITEM]**
- 9. Compact Training Video: Article V – Placement and Attendance Draft Script** – Chair Ramos stated the Committee Members received the Committee meeting agenda and documents late on August 22, 2022. The meeting agenda which included links to the Compact Article V videos was part of the documentation. Ms. Dablow previewed a short portion of each of the four Compact Article V videos. Chair Ramos asked Members to provide their feedback and notes on each video to Ms. Dablow by Wednesday, September 7, 2022 at 4:30 PM ET. Ms. Dablow agreed to send a reminder email to Members on September 2, 2022.
- 10. Compact 101 Training Accessibility** – Chair Ramos yielded the floor to Ms. Dablow who informed the Members that a request for proposals (RFP) was distributed, and she reviewed the submitted proposals with the Committee. The quote received for an American Sign Language (ASL) presentation was \$220.00 from the Sign Language Network of Kentucky.
- 11.** Ms. Dablow reviewed the process for securing the Spanish translation. The first quote was from Access Language Solutions. The quote included transcribing the Compact 101 presentation script for the translator's use and recording the script. It also provided for translating the verbiage on the PowerPoint presentation to correspond with the slides. Total cost for the project was \$1,336.76
- 12.** The second quote was from Southeast Spanish, Inc. for translating the presentation and the script but the Commission would still need to procure a voiceover artist to record the presentation. The total quote was for \$988.00. Several other services were contacted, Jambo Interpreters & Translators, Accipio Language Services, & Lexington Interpreters LLC, but those organizations did not respond to RFP.
- 13.** Commissioner McLaughlin noted in her professional work she has used Google Translate to translate English documents to Spanish and she proposed considering Google Translate and its voice option. Commissioner Priester stated South Carolina's Department of Education is not allowed to use Google Translate or other online interpretation services because of issues raised by individuals due the various dialects within languages. Chair Ramos concurred with Commissioner Priester's assessment and voiced her concerns.
- 14.** Commissioner McLaughlin asked if completing this project would trigger an increase in the annual dues submitted by member states. Ms. Dablow noted the money is available in the FY23 Budget and would be debited from the Training account to record the Compact 101 Training in both ASL and Spanish. Chair Ramos asked if the training would be live, and Ms. Dablow noted both the ASL, and Spanish would be taped and available on mic3.net for military families.

15. Commissioner Murphy voiced support for the initiative and noted the importance of making the provisions and protections of the Compact accessible to all military families, but she agreed the budget does need to be considered when developing projects. Commissioner Murphy asked Executive Director Cherise Imai if projects like this are considered when developing the budget. ED Imai explained the Commission approves the current budget 18 months ahead of implementation, but Headquarters does try to project cost for projects. ED Imai noted the Commission's Reserve Fund currently has money available that could be used for projects, but the cost of the translations is minimal and does not require that for the Committee to move forward.

16. Commissioner Murphy motioned to accept the quote from the Sign Language Network of Kentucky and proceed with taping the training. Commissioner McLaughlin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

17. Commissioner Murphy motioned to accept the quote from Access Language Solutions, INC for the Spanish translation. Commissioner Priester seconded the motion. Dr. Porter voiced her support for the project and the quote received from Access Language Solutions, INC. Motion carried.

ITEM 8 – OTHER BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

18. Items for the Executive Committee – The Members had no items for the EXCOM.

19. ABM Registration – The Chair reminded the Committee to register and book their hotel room for the ABM if they had not done so.

ITEM 9 – ADJOURNMENT

20. There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 1:48 PM ET.