EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES Thursday, June 15, 2023

PRESENT Ernise Singleton Louisiana Commissioner Vice Chair

Brian Henry Missouri Commissioner Treasure & Finance
John "Don" Kaminar Arkansas Commissioner Past Chair
Steve Bullard Kentucky Commissioner Compliance

Mary Gable Maryland Commissioner Rules
Shelly Ramos Texas Commissioner Training
Dianna Ganote USDOD Representative Ex-Officio

EXCUSED Laura Anastasio Connecticut Commissioner Chair

Chad Delbridge Wyoming Commissioner Comm. & Outreach

STAFF Cherise Imai Executive Director Secretary

Lindsey Dablow Training & Operations Assoc

ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER

1. Vice Chair Ernise Singleton (LA) called the meeting to order at 1:04PM ET.

ITEM 2 - ROLL CALL

2. Roll call was conducted by Cherise Imai, Executive Director (ED). A quorum was established.

ITEM 3 – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

3. Commissioner John "Don" Kaminar (AR) motioned to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Steve Bullard (KY) The motion carried.

ITEM 4 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

4. Treasurer Brian Henry (MO) motioned to approve the minutes from the July 20, 2023, meeting as presented, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion carried.

ITEM 5 – EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 5. Treasurer Henry motioned to move into Executive Session at 1:07 PM ET, seconded by Commissioner Kaminar. The motion carried.
- 6. Commissioner Kaminar motioned to move out of Executive Session, seconded by Treasurer Henry. The motion carried.

ITEM 6 - REPORTS

7. **Vice Chair** – Vice Chair Singleton reported the Ex-officio members met on July 6th. National and individual organization updates were shared. They discussed the proposed rules and amendments, and format of the Annual Business Meeting (ABM) ex-officio presentations.

- 8. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** ED Imai reported she and Chair Anastasio are attending the National Association Federally Impacted Schools (NAFIS) conference in September. In addition to briefing at the Military Impacted Schools Association meeting, MIC3 was invited to participate in a breakout session on military school perspectives, which included a brief on the Compact.
- 9. **FINANCE** Treasurer Henry reported the Council of State Governments (CSG) Accounting has integrated new fiscal software this year therefore the FY2023 Audit is delayed by a couple of weeks. He anticipated the process to commence the last week of August or early September.
- 10. **FY2023 DUES, BALANCE AND REVENUE & EXPENSES, INVESTMENTS** As of August 11, Currently 49/51 members (96%) have paid \$662,525, or 98% of the total \$672,687 dues. He noted two states were outstanding, the District of Columbia and Illinois, and the remaining balance was \$11,172. The June statement fund balance was \$1,846,254. He stated the total fiscal year expenditures were \$685,731 or 94% of the \$727,000 budget and we finished the year under budget. Regarding investments, the initial amount was \$350,000. Currently, the total value was \$548,199 and included a net gain of \$198,199, or an increase of \$58,406 over June last year.
- 11. **RULES** Commissioner Mary Gable (MD) reported the Committee met on August 8th. They reviewed the rules, new and amended. She added no comments were received from member states, nor ex-officios members, during the 30-day feedback period. She stated they reviewed the Case and Inquiry report summary which indicated parents requested assistance from the national office the most; 72% of the inquiries were not compact related and were regarding course placement and graduation. She noted the top non-compact related topics included: school choice, early withdrawal, and Kindergarten entry. She said most cases/inquiries were from Tier 1 states the highest impacted.
- 12. **COMPLIANCE** Commissioner Bullard reported the Committee met on August 14th and reviewed the compliance documents related to State Council Meetings and submission of End-of-Year Reports. In both instances, the Committee voted for the Compliance Chair to contact the non-compliant states and request the outstanding items. If no response is received, the Committee approved the outstanding states to be referred to EXCOM. He stated he would provide an update on the matter in September. He also reported Members voted to accept the *Legal Review of Commission Policies Memorandum* prepared by General Counsel and reviewed by both the Executive and Compliance committees, as well as the Rules Committee. The memorandum prompted the Committee to develop policy #1-2023 Monitoring Compact Statute and State Legislation which this body will discuss under New Business on the agenda.
- 13. **USDOD Representative** Ms. Dianna Ganote said the USDOD was invited by the congressional Quality of Life Panel to participate in an information session in early September. The panel is interested in gaps on the Compact. They will share how the Compact functions and what it covers. She added the Deputy Assistant Secretary, Patty Baron, and the Defense State Liaison Office would be present.

ITEM 7 – OLD BUSINESS

- 14. **2023 ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING** Training and Operations Associate, Lindsey Dablow reviewed the itinerary for the Annual Business Meeting (ABM). She reminded Members to register for the event utilizing the *Official Attendees* link.
- 15. **2024 ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING** Ms. Dablow reminded Members the Committee selected the Old Town Albuquerque Hotel at the June meeting, and staff followed up with the hotel

regarding the terms and contract. She noted a contract has been received and sent to the CSG General Counsel for review.

16. CSG WESTERN REGIONAL CONFERENCE: MILITARY COMMISSION ON VETERAN AFFAIRS ON MILITARY FAMILY SUPPORTS – Ms. Dablow reported the event was to be held in Los Angeles, CA, and due to the writer's strike, the event planners felt it was not in the best interests to hold the meeting. Therefore, the event was cancelled. She thanked Commissioner Bullard, as he had planned to attend the event and represent the Commission, for his time and flexibility. She added should the event be rescheduled; staff would notify the Committee.

ITEM 8 – NEW BUSINESS

- 17. **PROPOSED RULES & AMENDMENTS** Commissioner Gable reported the Rules Committee approved the amended and new rules unanimously. There were no submittals received from Member states, nor ex-officio members, regarding the proposals during the 30-day comment period. She reviewed the five proposals with the Committee prior to voting on each item.
- 18. Amendment: SEC. 1.101 Definitions Commissioner Kaminar motioned to approve the amendment, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion carried.
- 19. Amendment: SEC. 2.101 Adoption of Rules Commissioner Bullard motioned to approve the amendment, seconded by Commissioner Kaminar. The motion carried.
- 20. Amendment: SEC. 2.102 Data Collection and Reporting Commissioner Kaminar motioned to approve the amendment, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion carried.
- 21. New: SEC. 7.106 Escalation and Reporting of Disputes Commissioner Kaminar motioned to approve the new rule, seconded by Treasurer Henry. The motion carried.
- 22. New: SEC. 8.101 Coordination Between States and Commission Commissioner Bullard motioned to approve the new rule, seconded by Treasurer Henry. The motion carried.
- 22. **New Policy: 1-2023 Monitoring Compact Statute and State Legislation** Commissioner Bullard said the intent of the proposed policy was to establish a procedure for the review of anticipated or proposed legislative changes to a Member State's laws to allow for the transparent and timely analysis of such changes. A timely review of these changes would facilitate internal discussions to determine what steps the Commission may or may not need to take to address any resulting issues. He emphasized the intention was to preserve the integrity of the Compact and the membership of the Commission.
- 23. Commissioner Kaminar motioned to approve the new policy, seconded by Treasurer Henry. The motion carried.
- 24. **FY2025 DUES & BUDGET** Treasurer Henry reported the USDOD was unable to provide the annual dues data on the number of school-aged, active-duty dependents by state and service to the Commission this year. Due to this, the Commission will utilize the same data from July 2022 for the FY2025 dues. He added the Commission would also utilize the same data for the National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and the US Public Health Service (USHPHS) from August 2020 as well. He noted due to timing of the meetings, the FY2025 dues and budget proposals, if passed out of the Committee, would be reviewed, and approved by the Finance committee next week Wednesday before being presented to the full commission at the ABM.



25. Commissioner Kaminar motioned to approve the proposed FY2025 Dues and Budget, seconded by Treasurer Henry. The motion carried.

ITEM 9 – OTHER BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

26. Vice Chair Singleton reminded members of the upcoming Compact 101 training session scheduled for September 14th at 2:00 PM ET.

ITEM 10 – ADJOURNMENT

27. Treasurer Henry motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The Motion carried. Vice Chair Singleton adjourned the meeting at 2:13 PM ET.

