

COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES
Tuesday, September 12, 2023

PRESENT	Steven Bullard	Kentucky Commissioner	Chair
	Sarah Forster	Maine Commissioner	
	John "Don" Kaminar	Arkansas Commissioner	
	Daron Korte	Minnesota Commissioner	
	Michael Price	Michigan Commissioner	
	Shelley Joan Weiss	Wisconsin Commissioner	
EXCUSED	Ray Shaw	Montana Commissioner	
	Nick Sojka	North Carolina Commissioner	
	Eileen Huck	National Military Family Association (NMFA)	Ex-officio
STAFF	Cherise Imai	Executive Director	
	Lindsey Dablow	Training & Operations Associate	

ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER

1. The meeting was called to order at 2:01 PM ET by Compliance Chair Steven Bullard (KY).

ITEM 2 – ROLL CALL

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

ITEM 3 – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

3. **Commissioner John "Don" Kaminar (AR) motioned to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Shelley Joan Weiss (WI). Motion carried.**

ITEM 4 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

4. **Commissioner Weiss motioned to approve the minutes from August 14, 2023, as presented. Commissioner Kaminar seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

ITEM 5 – REPORTS

5. **Executive Committee (EXCOM)** - Chair Bullard stated the EXCOM met on August 17, 2023. Commission Treasurer Brian Henry (MO) informed the EXCOM that the Council of State Government's Accounting Department had indicated the fiscal year (FY) 2023 audit would be performed later than in previous years due to the Accounting Department switching to a new financial software system. Treasurer Henry noted the Finance Committee reviewed the year-end financial documents for FY23 and had no comments or concerns with the Commission's financial outlook moving into FY24. The Treasurer also presented the FY25 proposed dues and budget to the EXCOM for approval, which was approved by the Finance Committee during their August meeting. The proposed FY25 dues and budget are voted on by the full commission at the Annual Business Meeting (ABM).

6. Chair Bullard informed the members that Rules Committee Chair Mary Gable (MD) presented five proposed Rules that had passed out of the Rules Committee. During the presentation, Chair Gable noted the 30-day comment period closed on July 26, 2023, and no official comments were received.

EXCOM reviewed the proposed Rules, and all five were passed unanimously to be considered by the full commission during ABM.

7. The EXCOM reviewed and passed policy *1-2023 Monitoring Compact Statute and State Legislation* proposed by the Compliance Committee. Chair Bullard noted the policy would be placed on the consent agenda for review and action during the ABM.

8. The Chair concluded his report by reminding members to register and book their hotel rooms for the ABM if they had not done so already.

9. Commissioner Weiss asked headquarters if a spreadsheet could be distributed to members to coordinate arrivals at the ABM to save the Commission money on Commissioner travel reimbursements. Ms. Dablow confirmed the National Office would distribute the spreadsheet Commissioner Weiss volunteered to develop.

ITEM 6 – OLD BUSINESS

10. **State Council Meetings** – Chair Bullard reviewed the State Council Meeting document and noted during the Committee’s August meeting, members voted for the Compliance Chair to contact Idaho and New Jersey requesting the state hold a State Council meeting. Idaho appointed a new Commissioner in August, so the deadline for that state was extended to accommodate the appointment.

11. Chair Bullard stated two emails were sent to New Jersey Commissioner Tony Trongone, but as of the meeting there had been no response.

12. **2023 End-of-Year Reports Guide** – Chair Bullard noted the Committee requested an email be sent to New Jersey and Mississippi requesting the Commissioner submit the state’s End-of-Year Report. Chair Bullard sent emails the week of September 11, 2023, to both states but received no response.

13. **Commissioner Vacancies and Appointments (Update)** – Chair Bullard reminded members the Commissioner positions for Arizona, California, and Oregon were vacant. However, both California and Oregon had indicated the appointment would be forthcoming. Chair Bullard stated he would update members at the next Compliance Committee meeting.

ITEM 7 – OTHER BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

14. **Items for the Executive Committee (EXCOM)** – There being no feedback from the Members, Chair Bullard moved to the next agenda item.

15. **Compact 101 Virtual Training** – Chair Bullard noted the upcoming monthly Compact 101 virtual training would be held on September 14, 2023, at 2:00 PM ET. He encouraged members to share the training scheduled with stakeholders in their respective states.

16. **Published Webinars** – Chair Bullard stated headquarters taped two presentations in August, which were published on the ABM page and Resources page of mic3.net. The *Past, Present, and Future* Webinar was presented during the 2022 ABM, and it was recommended for newer commissioners to review the webinar since it reviews the history of the Commission and implementation of the Compact within member states.

17. The Chair stated the *Amended Travel and Reimbursement Policy* webinar reviewed the amended travel policy as passed by the Finance Committee and EXCOM. It was recommended that all official attendees of the ABM review the webinar.
18. Finally, Commissioner Bullard explained Rules Chair Mary Gable would tape a webinar reviewing the *Promulgation of Rules* process. Due to the five proposed Rules being considered this year, the Rules Committee and headquarters thought the information would be useful for all members of the Commission to familiarize themselves with the process ahead of the vote at ABM. Chair Bullard noted once the *Promulgation of Rules* webinar was available members would be informed.

ITEM 9 – ADJOURNMENT

19. With no further business to conduct, Chair Bullard adjourned the meeting at 2:12 PM ET.