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## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

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**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**Thursday, July 15, 2021**

PRESENT	John "Don" Kaminar Laura Anastasio Craig Neuenswander Ernise Singleton Daron Korte Brian Henry	Arkansas Commissioner Connecticut Commissioner Kansas Commissioner Louisiana Commissioner Minnesota Commissioner Missouri Commissioner	Chair Vice Chair Treasure & Finance Training Compliance Comm & Outreach
EXCUSUED	Mary Gable Rosemarie Kraeger Chuck Clymer	Maryland Commissioner Rhode Island Commissioner DoD Representative	Rules Past Chair Ex-Officio
STAFF	Cherise Imai Lindsey Dablow	Executive Director Training & Operations Assoc.	Secretary
GUEST	Michelle Norman	Partners in Promise, Executive Director	

**ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER**

1. Chair Don Kaminar (AR) called the meeting to order at 1:01 PM EST on Thursday, July 15, 2021.

**ITEM 2 – ROLL CALL**

2. Roll call was taken by Cherise Imai, Executive Director. A quorum was established.

**ITEM 3 – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. Chair Kaminar led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ITEM 4 – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

4. Vice Chair Laura Anastasio motioned to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brian Henry (MO). Motion carried.

**ITEM 5 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM JUNE 17, 2021**

5. Commissioner Henry motioned to approve the meeting minutes from June 17, 2021. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Anastasio. Motion carried.

**ITEM 6 – PRESENTATION: PARTNERS IN PROMISE**

6. Ms. Michelle Norman, Executive Director of Partners in Promise, presented. Ms. Norman noted she is a Navy spouse of over 25 years. One of her children has 21 disabilities and has been enrolled in the Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) since birth through the Department of Defense. She said her family experienced 10 deployments and her daughter has moved five times, attending seven schools. Ms. Norman presented on the crisis military children with special needs currently face. These problems include school districts "waiting out" military families, a glaring lack of resources, and no

mechanism to enforce special education protections. The mission of Partners in Promise (PiP) is "Protecting the Rights of Military children in Special Education through educating and advising military family members, military service organizations, Department of Defense, and public officials." She reported PiP seeks to elevate the voice of EFMP families, educate parents and students in SPED law, and advise and inform those who make policy decisions.

7. Ms. Norman noted COVID affected special needs students heavily with the challenges of virtually learning. PiP collects data of EFMP and Special Education Families and proposes solutions based on the data. She suggested a collaboration with MIC3 could include meetings and working groups to get an accurate picture of what is happening "on the ground" with these vulnerable families. Ms. Norman said this population of military children is most vulnerable to PCS moves and needs predictable and consistent services across states.
8. Commission Ernise Singleton (LA) thanked Ms. Norman for sharing and emphasized the need for special needs students to get services immediately upon a move. Ms. Norman said a data point from their last survey showed 79% of children who moved waited at least a month to receive services in their IEP. Ms. Norman stated PiP is focused on solutions that are wins for the families as well as the school district.
9. Commissioner Henry asked how many families took part in the survey. Ms. Norman stated 500 families completed the survey and noted it is difficult to collect data from this demographic. She said the hope is to collect best practices from states and facilitate collaborations.
10. Commissioner Daron Korte (MN) asked what collaborations PiP has and whether the delays in services revealed in their survey data were experienced in both DoDEA and non-DoDEA schools. Ms. Norman answered PiP is part of Dr. Biden's Joining Forces initiative with 100 other non-profit military organizations. Additionally, they are in communication with the DoD Office of Special Education. She noted there are current efforts to standardize the special education services across military branches. Ms. Norman said the survey results indicated delays in services with non-DoDEA schools as well as OCONUS DoDEA schools.

## ITEM 7 – REPORTS

11. **Executive Director** – ED Imai reported she has attended the California State Council meeting; and will attend the New Jersey, and Hawaii meetings next week to brief on the National Guard and Reserve. She said the District of Columbia's Commissioner resigned on July 9, 2021, therefore the Council Meeting was cancelled. A letter was sent to the DC Mayor's office to request the vacancy be filled. She reported she attended the MCSAS meeting last week in Chicago and received additional requests for trainings from military-impacted school districts. ED Imai reported the Army reached out to update MIC3's contact information for a leadership development program directory for Army spouses. MIC3 is listed as a resource and could potentially present at their next conference in early 2022.
12. ED Imai reported the U.S. Department of Education (USDOE) Office of Migratory contacted her. The USDOE has a database where they track these students. The organization is interested in MIC3 and how the Commission works in order to set up something similar for migrant education. ED Imai noted the populations are similar and the office is eager to learn about MIC3's rules and regulations. Additionally, she reported the USDOE has a military affairs program that is interested in having a back-to-school webinar.

13. **Finance** – Commissioner Craig Neuenswander (KS) reported 5 states remain outstanding for FY21 dues. He noted 11 states have paid FY22 dues. He gave an update on the Vanguard investments and funds will be deposited into the MIC3 account as part of the Paycheck Protection Program.
14. ED Imai reported CSG sent a memo to the directors that health benefits will increase 15% (on the high end). CSG will attempt to negotiate this down and it will be reported on at the next meeting.
15. **Communication and Outreach Committee** – Commissioner Henry reported no videos have been submitted for the Successful Compact Transitions video program. He noted the committee approved the new awards policies at their last meeting. Additionally, the committee approved the updated Commissioner Toolkit and the draft memorandum to commissioners reintroducing the toolkit.
16. **Compliance** – Commissioner Korte reported on the committee held a meeting in July. He noted the National Office is reaching out to states who have not had State Council meetings in FY 2021. He reported the Committee created a template to submit End of Year Reports which will be launched at the Annual Business Meeting for utilization next year. He added for those states that are outstanding, and the deadline to submit reports has been extended to the end of August.
17. **Training** – Commissioner Singleton gave a report on the Training Committee's June meeting. She noted they checked in on their goals laid out in the Strategic Plan. The committee was asked to provide feedback on the video, webinar, and script of trainings regarding articles of the Compact.

## ITEM 7 – OLD BUSINESS

18. **Operations Audit** – ED Imai noted Consultant Brian Riggs continues to review MIC3's documents and will visit Lexington in August to meet with the staff.
19. **Federal and State Legislation/Policy Tracking Contract** – ED Imai said the contract is under review by CSG and thinks it will be available for review soon. She noted she would like to sign off on the contract by August 1, 2021.
20. **NGR: Adopting New Compact Statute for 50 States and the District of Columbia** – Chair Kaminar noted the emails with input from Commissioners regarding the NGR issue. ED Imai provided a summary of several commissioners' communications who question the need for MIC3 to take any action on the NGR issue. She said they asked why the Commission is pushing this issue if the National Guard is not advocating for the change.
21. **2022 ABM (Louisiana) Report** – Ms. Lindsey Dablow shared the results of the site visit regarding 2022 ABM and stated it will be held in Baton Rouge, LA. ED Imai noted the contract has been sent to the contracts division for review. It will be submitted to the hotel to secure the date once approved.
22. **2021 Annual Business Meeting** – ED Imai referenced the 2021 ABM FAQ sheet. She asked for feedback from the EXCOM if the registration fees should be waived for virtual attendees. She reported these attendees do not cost the Commission since they receive a digital docket book. Commissioner Korte inquired if there would be enough revenue to make the budget if a large portion of attendees choose the virtual option. ED Imai responded yes to Commissioner Korte's question. She said any kind of registration fees received are a supplement to the Commission's budget for the event. She noted the total cost of the meeting is not covered by registration fees.

23. The Commission was asked to review the light blue wording that was on the FAQ page that was added from feedback. Chair Kaminar asked for committee members to note if any changes were needed on the FAQ page. ED Imai said proof of vaccination would not be required to attend ABM but those who are not fully vaccinated are mandated to wear a mask. ED Imai briefly reviewed the Travel Reimbursement FAQ page. Ms. Dablow said hotel rooms may be booked through a link on the registration page or by calling the Little Rock Marriott directly.

24. ED Imai briefly reviewed the 2021 ABM Meeting Agenda, specifically highlighting the Pre-Event webinars. She noted the EXCOM moved the pre-event webinars virtual in order to allow the General Session meeting to be further condensed.

25. Ms. Dablow gave an overview of the total cost of the 2021 ABM. The total cost projection includes the Little Rock Marriott expenses, the audio-visual needs, Commissioner reimbursements, vendor payments, and the estimated revenue collected. The estimated total cost was reported as \$145,996.87. ED Imai noted she will use the projected cost amount of \$150,000 for the FY23 ABM budget.

26. **Legal Memorandum and Talking Points for Purple Star Program** – ED Imai reported no response has been received from the letters sent to Ohio and Tennessee regarding the Legal Memorandum and Talking Points for Purple Star Program.

#### ITEM 9 – NEW BUSINESS

27. **Awards** – ED Imai asked for a approval from the committee for recognition awards for outgoing Commissioners Lakeeshia Fox (DC) and Alan Kerr (SD). Commissioner Singleton motioned to approve the awards, seconded by Commissioner Neuenswander. Motion carried.

28. **Partners in Promise Meetings** – Chair Kaminar gave a background on Partners in Promise and their advocacy efforts. He noted the Commission is not an advocacy group and cannot necessarily PiP wants to do but can do what the law allows. A legal advisory was sought from Rick Masters on what can and cannot be done with a special needs case. ED Imai reviewed a flow cart detailing the special education process under IDEA and the case resolution process for SPED for Commissioners. She said every state and school district has a process and the Compact supports these processes. The last document ED Imai displayed was a narrative showing what the legal parameters of the Compact are and how students are supported. She showed that the document ends with links to highly impacted school districts and their special education services.

29. Members expressed appreciation for PiP's efforts, however expressed concerns about their expectations for the Commission. Members appreciated the documents which clarify the Commission and Commissioner's role, as well as the intent of IDEA and the Compact rules.

#### ITEM 10– OTHER BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

30. ED Imai said she would be sending an ED Update to the Commission this or nest week.

#### ITEM 11 – ADJOURNMENT

31. With no further business to conduct, Commissioner Anastasio motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Singleton. Chair Kaminar adjourned the meeting at 2:14 PM EDT.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**Thursday, August 19, 2021**

PRESENT	John "Don" Kaminar Laura Anastasio Craig Neuenswander Ernise Singleton Daron Korte Brian Henry Mary Gable Rosemarie Kraeger Chuck Clymer	Arkansas Commissioner Connecticut Commissioner Kansas Commissioner Louisiana Commissioner Minnesota Commissioner Missouri Commissioner Maryland Commissioner Rhode Island Commissioner DoD Representative	Chair Vice Chair Treasure & Finance Training Compliance Comm & Outreach Rules Past Chair Ex-Officio
STAFF	Cherise Imai Lindsey Dablow	Executive Director, MIC3 Training & Operations Assoc., MIC3	Secretary

**ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER**

1. Committee Chair, Commissioner Don Kaminar (AR) called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM ET on Thursday, August 19, 2021.

**ITEM 2 – ROLL CALL**

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

**ITEM 3 – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. Commissioner Brian Henry (MO) led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ITEM 4 – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

4. Commissioner Henry moved to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Committee Vice Chair, Commissioner Laura Anastasio (CT). Motion carried.

**ITEM 5 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM JULY 15, 2021**

5. Commissioner Craig Neuenswander (KS) motioned to approve the meeting minutes from July 15, 2021. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Henry. Motion carried.

**ITEM 6 – REPORTS**

6. **Chair** – Chair Kaminar said a Commissioner Townhall meeting was held yesterday regarding the 2021 Annual Business Meeting (ABM). The topics included the Travel Policy and ABM logistics, Arkansas data on COVID cases, and discussion and concerns regarding holding the in-person event. He noted the Executive Committee would make a wise decision to proceed with the hybrid format or hold an all-virtual meeting.

7. **Vice Chair** – Vice Chair Anastasio shared about the most recent Ex-Officio meeting. She said the National Military Family Association (NMFA) will have an *Annual State of the Military Family Seminar* on November 17, 2021, in Arlington, VA. Additionally, she said they will release data on the



well-being of military teenagers soon. Vice Chair Anastasio announced NMFA is accepting applications beginning in September to award the ARC Special Education Advocacy Curriculum to 100 families. She said NMFA will sponsor a Facebook Live with the United State Impact Aid Officer Faatimah Muhammad on September 13, 2021, at 1:00 ET. Vice Chair Anastasio said the Military Child Education Coalition (MCEC) held their 2021 National Training Seminar and thanked MIC3's National Office for their participation

8. **Executive Director** – ED Imai reported there have been several inquiry calls with the beginning of school. She said the National Office received a memorandum from the Council of State Governments (CSG) that the medical benefits increase was negotiated to a 5% increase covered by the organizations and CSG, not the employees. She said the budget projections accounted for this. ED Imai reported she recently onboarded new commissioners and pending new commissioner appointments. ED Imai reported a new article on MIC3 written by S. Allbrook-Huisman which was linked in the agenda.
9. **Finance** – Commissioner Neuenswander noted there are five states outstanding for FY21 dues representing approximately \$85,000. He reported 29 states have paid FY22 dues. He reviewed the FY21 Balance Sheet, Revenue, and Expenditures. He noted Blue and Company commenced the annual financial audit for MIC3.
10. **Communication and Outreach Committee** – Commissioner Henry said the National Office released a memo with the updated Commissioner Toolkit on behalf the committee to the Commission. This fulfilled one of the tactics for the Strategic Plan.
11. **Compliance** – Commissioner Korte referenced the list of State Council meetings and the End of Year Reports and stated the deadline for submittals was extended from June 30th to August 31, 2021.
12. **Rules** – Commissioner Mary Gable (MD) reported the committee met on August 17. She said the Commissioner Awards Program was passed unanimously. Regarding items for the EXCOM, Commissioner Gable reported the Tennessee Commissioner, Deanna McLaughlin, posed concerns regarding the continued annual increase of employee health benefits through CSG. Commissioner McLaughlin asked 1) why the MIC3 is attached to CSG for these negotiations and, 2) could MIC3 negotiate on our own to seek bids for the three staff. Vice Chair Anastasio noted health care benefit rates are best negotiated in bulk and pointed out a company like MIC3 with three employees would not obtain competitive rate in comparison with the rate obtained by CSG.
13. **Training** – Commissioner Ernise Singleton (LA) noted the Training Committee is working to fulfill the initiatives of the Strategic Plan by developing a Graduation training video. She said there is a meeting to review the cost of a voice-over talent to narrate the video. Additionally, she said they are researching learning management systems to further their training needs.
14. **DOD Liaison** – Mr. Chuck Clymer stated they are revamping their Military One Source (MOS) website and MIC3 will have better representation for school liaisons and families. He said the services met yesterday and Air Force and Navy are on hold but planning to attend the ABM. He noted the Army and Marine Corps are not planning to attend due to service travel restrictions.
15. **Leadership Nomination** – Commissioner Rosemarie Kraeger (RI) reported on the last committee meeting. She said there was one applicant for each of the open EXCOM positions for Chair, Vice Chair, and Treasurer. She said they discussed whether nominations would be taken from the floor and after reviewing Robert's Rules of Order and they by-laws, they will continue to accept these. She



noted there was concern expressed regarding COVID cases in Arkansas and the in-person format of the ABM.

## ITEM 7 – OLD BUSINESS

16. **IDEA and Special Needs Guidance and Resources** – ED Imai referenced the Federal IDEA Flowchart. Commissioner Kraeger noted some states have modified timelines of the process and suggested a footnote that this chart is a baseline and reference the source. ED Imai references the Case Resolution Flowchart and what a Commissioner needs to do with Special Education cases. ED Imai reviewed the Legal Advisory that was approved by the EXCOM in July. ED Imai referenced the Narrative that describes how the Compact supports military students and also includes guidelines for parents with special needs children. She noted the document includes links to states' special education departments and Military Impacted School Association's school districts websites.

17. Commissioner Singleton moved for the committee to approve all four documents as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kraeger. Motion carried.

18. **Operations Audit** – ED Imai noted Consultant Brian Riggs recently visited Lexington, and conducted staff interviews. She said Brian Riggs will reach out to the members of the EXCOM to schedule their interviews.

19. **Federal and State Legislation/Policy Tracking Contract** – ED Imai said she met with Dan Logsdon, Executive Director of the National Center for Interstate Compacts, at CSG to discuss the format and frequency of the report. She noted the state report will be weekly and the federal report will be twice a month, beginning after ABM.

20. **NGR Reports** – ED Imai reminded commissioners the NGR reports are due by August 31, 2021. She said the intent is to share the information with the EXCOM at the September meeting.

21. **2021 Annual Business Meeting and COVID** – Chair Kaminar brought up the discussion about the 2021 ABM and whether it should be held virtually. He gave some statistics regarding the current status of COVID in Arkansas noting the shortage of intensive care hospital beds due to the pandemic. He said unless the governor declares of State of Emergency some money will be lost due to hotel costs. Chair Kaminar said his recommendation is to hold a virtual-only meeting.

22. Commissioner Gable moved to forego the hybrid option and have a fully virtual 2021 ABM. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Singleton. There was some discussion and the commissioners agreed citing an abundance of caution. Commissioner Korte noted the state of Minnesota has discontinued out of state travel unless it was essential. Motion carried.

23. Commissioner Kraeger inquired about the financial loss. ED Imai estimated the financial loss is, at minimum, \$28,000. Ms. Dablow said the rooms would be cancelled for commissioners. ED Imai asked commissioners to contact the National Office with any questions about travel arrangements already made.

## ITEM 8 – NEW BUSINESS

24. **Awards** – ED Imai asked for the committee to vote on the state award for outgoing Commissioner Tim McMurtrey upon his retirement. Commissioner Kraeger moved to award Commissioner McMurtrey, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Gable. Motion carried.

25. **New Strategic Plan, Contract Consultant** – ED Imai requested permission to get a price quote from consultant Brian Riggs for the new strategic plan. Commissioner Kraeger moved to approve this request. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gable. Motion carried.

26. **8/23 US DOE Military Student Roundtable** – ED Imai said she was contacted by the US Department of Education requesting some military students to participate in a roundtable on August 23, 2021. ED Imai said students' names from Missouri, Oklahoma, and Colorado were forwarded and they will be contacted.

27. **VA Parent Request** – ED Imai displayed an email from a Virginia parent with concerns about six states that don't use the Nemeth braille code for visually impaired students. She requested the EXCOM to draft a position statement advocating for the Nemeth braille code to be used in the state of Virginia. ED Imai noted the commission does not advocate for these types of requests because it's outside their legal authority. Chair Kaminar said the parent initially contacted Commissioner Designee Daniel Dunham (VA) but the parent indicated she wanted to take it to a higher authority. Vice Chair Anastasio suggested the commission send her a letter explaining the position. ED Imai suggested the possibility of asking Legal Counsel Rick Masters for a legal advisory on this issue. The commission agreed that the National Office would send a letter and would consult a legal advisory if necessary.

#### **ITEM 9 – OTHER BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

28. Chair Kaminar reminded the commissioners the extended deadline for the annual reports and the deadline for the state positions on NGR is August 31, 2021.

#### **ITEM 10 – ADJOURNMENT**

29. With no further business to conduct, Commissioner Singleton motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Neuenswander. Chair Kaminar adjourned the meeting at 2:05 PM ET.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**Thursday, September 16, 2021**

PRESENT	John "Don" Kaminar Laura Anastasio Craig Neuenswander Rosemarie Kraeger Ernise Singleton Daron Korte Brian Henry Mary Gable	Arkansas Commissioner Connecticut Commissioner Kansas Commissioner Rhode Island Commissioner Louisiana Commissioner Minnesota Commissioner Missouri Commissioner Maryland Commissioner	Chair Vice Chair Treasure & Finance Past Chair Training Compliance Comm & Outreach Rules
EXCUSED	Chuck Clymer	DoD Representative	Ex-Officio
STAFF	Cherise Imai Lindsey Dablow	Executive Director Training & Operations Assoc.	Secretary

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**ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER**

- Chair Don Kaminar (AR) called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM ET on Thursday, September 16, 2021.

**ITEM 2 – ROLL CALL**

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

**ITEM 3 – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- Commissioner Craig Neuenswander (KS) led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ITEM 4 – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

- Commissioner Rosemarie Kraeger (RI) moved to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mary Gable (MD). Motion carried.

**ITEM 5 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM AUGUST 19, 2021**

- Commissioner Neuenswander motioned to approve the meeting minutes from August 19, 2021. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gable. Motion carried.

**ITEM 6 – REPORTS**

- Vice Chair** – Committee Vice Chair, Commissioner Laura Anastasio (CT) stated the Ex Officio meeting will meet on October 7, 2021.
- Executive Director** – ED Imai said the National Office conducted several briefings and will staff the upcoming California and New Mexico State Council meetings. Additionally, ED Imai said Arizona will hold their first state council meeting on October 7, 2021.
- ED Imai reported commissioner vacancies in District of Columbia, South Dakota, and Indiana.

9. **Finance** – Commissioner Neuenswander noted there are three states outstanding for Fiscal Year 2021 dues for a total of \$16,406. The states are Missouri, New Hampshire, and New Jersey and he reported the National Office has been in contact with these states regarding payment. Missouri is delayed due to a new accounting system. Commissioner Neuenswander said the annual financial audit was completed, and the commission received a clean audit with no findings.
10. Commissioner Ernise Singleton (LA) moved to approve the audit. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brian Henry (MO). Motion carried.
11. Commissioner Neuenswander reported 35 of the 51 members have paid their Fiscal Year 2021 dues. The committee reviewed the balance sheet, revenues/expenditures, and investment statement. He said the Finance Committee will review the Fiscal Year 2023 dues and budget proposals at their meeting next week. Then, the documents will be emailed to the EXCOM for approval.
12. **Communication and Outreach Committee** – Commissioner Henry noted the committee met on September 1, 2021. He reported they reviewed the updated State Council toolkit which has great resources. The School and Parent Toolkits are being updated by CSG Graphics. The committee reviewed the slides for their presentation at the Annual Business Meeting (ABM).
13. **Compliance** – Commissioner Daron Korte (MN) reported on the September 14, 2021, meeting. He noted a majority of states held State Council meetings. He said the committee discussed emailing states who did not fulfill their meeting requirement with offers of assistance to help them be compliant. He said the committee decided Commissioner Korte would write a letter to Indiana regarding the appointment of a commissioner. He stated the deadline for end of year reports was extended to August 31, 2021, and 40 states submitted them which is a much higher reporting rate than previous years. Commissioner Korte thanked the National Office for their efforts in collecting these reports and working with states to submit them on time. He reviewed the committee's Strategic Plan progress and said a memo defining the commissioner minimum expectations at ABM and standing committee meetings be released in October.
14. **Rules** – Commissioner Gable reported the committee has not met since the last EXCOM meeting.
15. **Training** – Commissioner Singleton stated the committee met on the August 24, 2021. The committee approved a script for a video regarding Article VII of the Compact: Graduation. They reviewed three voiceover talents to determine the final video narrator. She noted the video would be presented at the ABM. She reported the committee several learning management systems specifications and more information will be presented in the upcoming months.
16. **Leadership Nomination** – Commissioner Kraeger stated the committee met on August 23, 2021. They reviewed the final election documents, the details of the election which would be held virtually this year, and they approved the final Election Guide. The September meeting was cancelled because the committee completed their business for the year, however they will debrief the 2021 election at their November 15, 2021, meeting.
17. **DOD Liaison** – Mr. Chuck Clymer said they have been busy gathering information and preparing their brief for the ABM. He reported the services are revising the military representative assignments to better align with logical associations. He said they will send their recommendations to ED Imai and will then share the report with the Department of Defense after approval from MIC3.

## ITEM 7 – OLD BUSINESS

18. **NGR Reports** – ED Imai reviewed the National Guard and Reserve Report submittals - 21 of the 51 states submitted position papers by the deadline of August 31. She noted there was no consensus. She said there were some states who did not submit a formal opinion but indicated they would go along with the recommendation of the commission. ED Imai said states noted the data on guard and reserve dependents is difficult to obtain although some states were successful.

19. **2021 Annual Business Meeting** – ED Imai reminded the committee the decision to move the meeting from in-person to virtual was made in the interest of the health and safety of members, the state of Arkansas did not declare a state of emergency as they did the previous year. Therefore the commission was obligated and under contract to the Little Rock hotel for the event. Ms. Dablow reviewed the cost estimate of upcoming ABM, which included the hotel and audio-visual costs. ED Imai recommended avoiding the previous year situation in which two staff managed the platform which included: addressing technical challenges of members and general attendees to access the platform; managing the slide deck, chat box, and other needs of the commission while maintaining meeting support. In sum, while the meeting was successful, it was more than two staff could manage. Due to this, this year the AV company would oversee the meeting platform and technical aspects, and staff could focus on the meeting. Ms. Dablow noted the price reflects the labor and cost of conducting a fully virtual meeting. She noted the price quote could change and final planning will occur over the next several weeks. She referenced the contract with the Little Rock Marriott and noted the room rate increased somewhat but the total is less than if the contract was completely cancelled. Members agreed with the recommendation and fully supported the tech company to run the meeting. ED Imai reported the Public Notice was released.

## ITEM 8 – NEW BUSINESS

20. **Commission Suggestions from Commissioner Shelley Joan Weiss (WI)** – The committee reviewed an email from Commissioner Shelley Joan Weiss (WI) to Chair Kaminar, Commissioner Korte and ED Imai with suggestions for the commission. First, Commissioner Weiss asked for a report be drafted and available on the website site indicating which committee meetings were held. Weiss said the information may be helpful overall to assess positive components and obstacles to completing meetings. Currently, members noted meeting minutes are posted on the website and annotates cancelled meetings. They concluded the information Weiss is requesting is readily available to members, therefore no further action was pursued on this item.

21. Commissioner Weiss' second suggestion was to add dates added when policies, bylaws, etc. are changed/updated, and to annotate these changes within the documents. For example at the top of the [bylaws](#) document there are dates when updates/changes are made, but not within the document indicating when the change was made. Weiss said this would also be helpful as a historical record of progress being made within the commission. Members stated dates are typically annotated for changes to state statutes and policies however they do not annotate changes of verbiage within the documents itself – primarily because the document would be confusing and difficult to read. The committee determined research on state statutes and policy changes was needed and tabled the discussion to a future meeting. ED Imai noted archived copies of documents are saved before they are updated.

22. Commissioner Weiss suggested having a simple fill in template posted online to encourage states to complete their state council minutes and for their convenience. Members agreed to add Weiss' template to the webpage. Chair Kaminar would inform Commissioner Weiss on the committee's decisions.

23. **Request for Information on NGR Reports by Don Berry** – Chair Kaminar referenced an email from Don Berry of Arkansas who requested copies of states' NGR reports. Chair Kaminar noted the report is not finalized and additional states are submitting reports prior to the ABM. Chair Kaminar stated the deadline for these reports to be submitted has been informally extended and he will provide Mr. Berry a copy of the report after its completed and posted online. Members recommended the Kentucky guidelines for open records should be utilized.

#### **ITEM 9 – EXECUTIVE SESSION**

24. Vice Chair Anastasio moved for the committee to begin an Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Singleton. Motion carried.

#### **ITEM 10– OTHER BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

25. Chair Kaminar noted Mary Pendleton, Administrative Assistant, has decided to leave the organization. He noted ED Imai will present her an award for her service.

26. Commissioner Gable moved to formally thank Mary Pendleton for her service. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Henry. Motion carried.

#### **ITEM 11 – ADJOURNMENT**

27. With no further business to conduct, Commissioner Henry motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Kraeger. Chair Kaminar adjourned the meeting at 2:05 PM ET.



**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**Thursday, October 21, 2021**

PRESENT	John "Don" Kaminar Laura Anastasio Craig Neuenswander Rosemarie Kraeger Ernise Singleton Brian Henry Mary Gable	Arkansas Commissioner Connecticut Commissioner Kansas Commissioner Rhode Island Commissioner Louisiana Commissioner Missouri Commissioner Maryland Commissioner	Chair Vice Chair Treasure & Finance Past Chair Training Comm & Outreach Rules
EXCUSED	Chuck Clymer Daron Korte	DoD Representative Minnesota Commissioner	Ex-Officio Compliance
STAFF	Cherise Imai Lindsey Dablow	Executive Director Training & Operations Assoc.	Secretary

**ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER**

1. Chair Don Kaminar (AR) called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM ET on Thursday, October 21, 2021.

**ITEM 2 – ROLL CALL**

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

**ITEM 3 – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. Lindsey Dablow, Training and Operations Associate, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ITEM 4 – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

4. Commissioner Mary Gable (MD) motioned to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Rosemarie Kraeger (RI). Motion carried.

**ITEM 5 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 16, 2021**

5. Commissioner Gable motioned to approve the meeting minutes, seconded by Commissioner Kraeger. Motion carried.

**ITEM 6 – REPORTS**

6. **Chair** –Chair Kaminar thanked members and staff for their leadership, support, and good work for the Commission overall. The team support and effort has been invaluable in support for military families and kids.
7. **Vice Chair** – Committee Vice Chair, Commissioner Laura Anastasio (CT) reported the Ex Officio group met recently. She provided an update on the standing committee activities and the EXCOM's work. Members felt the meetings should continue and were valuable.



8. **Executive Director** – ED Imai reported the Council of State Governments (CSG) recently released a new policy regarding mandated COVID-19 vaccinations for all staff. As a federal contractor, CSG developed the policy to align with requirements. ED Imai reported all staff have been vaccinated and submitted their documentation to Human Resources. She also noted the return to the office date remains 15 January.
9. ED Imai reported virtual training was conducted for the Coast Guard EFMP, North Carolina ECAC; Waynesville School District staff; Maxwell-Gunter staff; and is scheduled for NSA Bethesda. A recent webinar was conducted on Special Needs and IDEA which was well received by attendees. She thanked the Navy Pilot Program, STOMP and ECAC for their continued partnership and support. National support and reports were provided for California, New Mexico, Colorado, and Missouri state council meetings.
10. **Finance** – Treasurer Craig Neuenswander noted there are three states outstanding for Fiscal Year 2021 dues for a total of \$16,406, and the National Office has been in contact with these states regarding payment. Regarding Fiscal Year 2022, 39 of 59 states have paid to date or 53% of states. The committee reviewed the balance sheet, revenues/expenditures, and investment statement.
11. **FY2023 Dues and Budget** – Treasurer Neuenswander presented the proposed dues and budget for approval. He noted the number of students in the Navy and Air Force increased this past year, which may be due to the impact of the pandemic and families electing to remain stateside or a reduced number of assignments abroad. Commissioner Brian Henry (MO) motioned to approve the FY 2023 Dues and Budget proposals, seconded by Vice Chair Anastasio. Motion carried.
12. **Communication and Outreach Committee** – Commissioner Henry reported the committee has not met this month however he shared the updated toolkits which will be presented to the Commission next month. The resources will also be widely shared.
13. **Compliance** – ED Imai reported on behalf of Commissioner Daron Korte (MN). The committee reviewed the status of state council meetings and end-of-year reporting. She noted staff continues to follow-up with states that are outstanding. The Compliance committee determined sanctions would not be made against states that were not complaint, and the chair would follow up with the outstanding states to remind them of their obligation.
14. **Rules** – Commissioner Gable reported the committee cancelled their October meeting because there were no items on the agenda. The committee reviewed the presentation for the Annual Business Meeting via email.
15. **Training** – Commissioner Singleton stated the committee met on September 28. They approved the voiceover consultant for the new graduation video. The committee also discussed a learning management system, as well as serve compatibility capability. This item will be a focus area in the upcoming year.
16. **Leadership Nomination** – Commissioner Kraeger reported the committee's work was complete and they are prepared for the Annual Business Meeting. She presented a legal memorandum that was requested by a committee member on the ability for an Ex-Officio member to address an electoral candidate during the electoral process. Which in conclusion, the member can take part in the questioning, however the member cannot cast a vote.
17. **DOD Liaison** – ED Imai reported on behalf of Mr. Chuck Clymer. She stated we received notification the DOD is realigning the MILREPS in states. A handful of states will change service leads

to align with current mission and structure. She added more information will follow pending the final report.

## ITEM 7 – OLD BUSINESS

18. **MIC3 Research/Jenny Cogbill** – Ms. Cogbill stated she is working on her doctorate at Vanderbilt University and is focused on leadership in organizations. She said her capstone looks at promising practices specific to the implementation of the Compact. She filmed a short video on the study and a survey will be released post-Annual Business Meeting. She will also conduct smaller focus groups over the next year. As a military spouse, school counselor, and professional development trainer, she appreciates the work of the Commission.

19. **2021 Annual Business Meeting** – ED Imai reviewed the final agenda with the committee. Docket Books are being printed and were mailed out last week. The digital Docket Book is posted on the event page. The final presentation slide decks are in the process of being confirmed and will be posted post-event. Lastly, zoom links will be sent out a couple of days prior to the meeting.

20. **Response to Suggestions by Commissioner Shelley Joan Weiss (WI)** – ED Imai reported Chair Kaminar emailed Commissioner Weiss the feedback to her email, and it was sufficient.

21. **NGR report Request from Don Berry of Arkansas** – ED Imai reported Chair Kaminar responded to the request, and informed Mr. Berry the report will be published on the website and accessible to the public once it has been finalized.

## ITEM 8 – NEW BUSINESS

22. **Operations Audit** – Consultant Brien Riggs briefed his final report which will be presented at the Annual Business Meeting. Members expressed appreciation for the brief which identified opportunities for improvement and to ensure we are meeting the mission.

23. **Awards** – ED Imai reported community awards were bestowed on Greg Myers (NM); Erasmo Reyes (AR); and Joe Driskoll (MO). She reported Hal Stearns the Commissioner from Montana was replaced by Mr. Ray Shaw. As such, Commissioner Stearns will not attend the upcoming Annual Business Meeting. She asked the EXCOM to approve a Service Award which will be presented at a later date.

24. Commissioner Gable motioned to approve a state service award for Hal Stearns, seconded by Commissioner Singleton. Motion carried.

25. **Military Impacted Schools Association (MISA) Training Agreement** – ED Imai reported the training agreement was renewed with the organization and they hope to conduct in-person training this year. She noted one condition was agreed upon, the agreement would not include an end date, although either party could terminate the agreement if desired.

## ITEM 9 – ADJOURNMENT

27. With no further business to conduct, Commissioner Henry motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Gable. Chair Kaminar adjourned the meeting at 2:03 PM ET.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**Monday, November 8, 2021**

PRESENT	Laura Anastasio Ernise Singleton Brian Henry John "Don" Kaminar Mary Gable Rosemarie Kraeger	Connecticut Commissioner Louisiana Commissioner Missouri Commissioner Arkansas Commissioner Maryland Commissioner Rhode Island Commissioner	Chair Vice Chair Treasure & Finance Past Chair Rules Immediate Past Chair
EXCUSED	Chuck Clymer	DoD Representative	Ex-Officio
STAFF	Cherise Imai Lindsey Dablow	Executive Director Training & Operations Assoc.	Secretary
GUESTS	Rick Masters	Outside General Counsel	

**ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER**

1. Chair Laura Anastasio (CT) called the meeting to order at 11:06 AM ET on Monday, November 8, 2021.

**ITEM 2 – ROLL CALL**

2. Roll call was taken by Cherise Imai, Executive Director (ED). A quorum was established. Note: standing committee chairs had not been appointed by Chair Anastasio at that time.

**ITEM 3 – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

4. Commissioner Mary Gable (MD) motioned to approve the agenda with one modification, an added item of Executive Session, seconded by Vice Chair Ernise Singleton (LA). Motion carried.

**ITEM 4 – THE ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING AND NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVES**

5. Chair Anastasio thanked members for attending the call and noted the standing committee chairs for Communications and Outreach; Training; and Compliance seats were vacant and had not been appointed yet.

6. She stated the committee was surprised and disappointed in the statements expressed by General Counsel during the National Guard and Reserve discussion at the Annual Business Meeting that impacted the options available to the Commission for expansion of the Compact to Guard and Reserve members beyond Title 10 status. She noted she was puzzled and extremely disappointed, and it looked like the Executive Committee (EXCOM) did not do its due diligence. Overall, the incident did not reflect well for the EXCOM, nor the Commission.

7. Chair Anastasio asked General Counsel to provide background on why the EXCOM was not notified of the case, as it is dated from 2020. In addition, he had access to the Agenda and Docket Book prior, and she would have expected him to review both prior to the meeting.

8. Mr. Rick Masters, General Counsel, stated he had knowledge of the case however it was recently accepted for review by the Third Circuit (Court) and the case was not done yet. It was not clear to him on the agenda that a specific motion that would be made to approve the concept of expanding the compact to include the children of the National Guard and Reserve. As part of that motion, a selection of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) or Agreement (MOA) as the means for doing that, and he could not sit by and ignore the fact this crates some problems. He said it was wiser to defer the action until commissioners could be informed.

9. He stated he could have communicated this to leadership and staff in-person in the studio (at the Little Rock Marriot) if he had been there for the second day of the meeting. However he had to fly out on the evening of the first day for a family emergency. As he called in virtually on the second day, there was no way for him to communicate his concerns. In reviewing the agenda, he thought just a motion would just be made to expand the coverage of the compact.

10. Chair Anastasio asked him if he had communicated with Chair Kaminar or any commissioners on the issue prior to the meeting. Mr. Masters said he had not, and he thought the commission was going approve and authorize the Compact expansion to the Guard and Reserve. He did not believe there was a controversy.

11. Chair Anastasio asked if General Counsel had read the Docket Book material on the National Guard and Reserve. He replied he believed that it was being put forward as an alternative, not that it was being recommended as the alternative. When asked what the difference was, Counsel replied he thought the Commission was going to approve the expansion and discuss the possible ways to do it. Counsel indicated he would have been happy to explain why it would not have been an option, however the timing seemed impossible to get the explanation before the commissioners.

12. Chair Anastasio asked Past Chair Kaminar to provide additional background. Past Chair Kaminar said that back when the EXCOM was looking at courses of action, Don Berry, a resident of Arkansas who writes legislation, suggested the Commission could create an enhanced compact. He stated that at some point, he had talked with Counsel about the possibility of an enhanced compact; however, he did not recall that he had discussed the option of an MOU with Counsel.

13. Chair Anastasio summarized that it appears the courses of action were not vetted. Counsel said his impression was the ABM discussion was going to be what is the most viable and option for the commission. I think any of these were discussed as options, however the open court case and suggestion of MOU as an option is no longer viable. Chair Anastasio stated had Counsel thoroughly reviewed the agenda and the Docket Book, he would have seen all five options being presented, including the one that he believed to be inappropriate. If Counsel had reviewed the Docket Book carefully, he should have known and he should have informed the Chair of any concerns. Counsel admitted he was not prepared for the discussion.

14. Chair Anastasio said she was struggling with the fact that if Counsel knew about the pending case, he knew about this prior to the meeting, because she did not think he was reading the article during the meeting. Counsel said he was aware of the case, however he said he was not aware a motion was going to be made to adopt an option of an MOU. He said he was not asked for a formal legal opinion on the issue. He was not able to provide the sort of comprehensive advice that he had in the past because in his opinion, the Commission has been concerned about funding. He felt the Commission has rightly tried to minimize legal fees to the extent possible, but in the process, there were opportunities that he has clearly not had to participate in EXCOM meetings - which he fine with. General Counsel further clarified that he is on retainer, however he is only allowed to do what he is asked to by the Commission.

15. Executive Director (ED) Cherise Imai asked Counsel if he had been in communication with any member of the Commission outside the commission regarding the topic prior to the ABM. Counsel said he had not been in communication with any members of the commission, and he had not been asked to do so by the Chair, EXCOM or Executive Director, or anyone else, on an individual basis.

16. Chair Anastasio reflected Counsel said during the ABM that the options were never vetted with him, and that he was never consulted which suggested all these options were created by the EXCOM, Past Chair Kaminar...without any consultation. Counsel stated replied, no, he had provided over the last couple of years, options which may be legally permissible. These include an amendment of the compact itself; or passage of legislation outside the compact. He never stated an MOU was permissible.

17. Chair Anastasio restated Counsel gave the impression to the Commission all the options were not viable which damaged the credibility of the Commission. Counsel apologized and said that was not his intention, and he had weighed in on various matters prior for the commission. He thought he had said during the ABM that amending the Compact or adopting language outside was permissible.

18. The EXCOM agreed Counsel needs to be clear about the depth of the consultations with him about the options he noted above, and it was important to clarify this with the Commission. Counsel offered to draft a legal memorandum and send it to Chair Anastasio and ED Imai by the end of the week. It was noted the expediency of the memorandum was important. Counsel reiterated his intention was not to undermine the EXCOM, any individual therein or the Commission. He simply thought he was acting in the best interest of the Commission, and apparently did not do it in a way that clear enough and apologized for this. He takes full responsibility for creating confusion at the meeting and damage the credibility of the Commission.

19. Mr. Chuck Clymer, DOD Military Representative agreed to draft a memorandum to the Commission about the data that Mr. Bill Hampton presented, and that the data was not available or collected. He stated, the number of National Guard dependents and members are available, and maybe PCS moves, however the moves made outside of orders is not tracked. He will check again if any data is available. (OPEN ITEM)

#### **ITEM 5 – EXECUTIVE SESSION**

19. Commissioner Gable motioned to move into Executive Session, seconded by Past Chair Kaminar.

20. Chair directed ED Imai to research the contract under which General Counsel is operating and report back to the Committee. In addition, Counsel has agreed to draft a legal memorandum for dissemination to the Commission as soon as possible.

#### **ITEM 6 – ADJOURNMENT**

27. With no further business to conduct, Commissioner Henry motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vice Chair Singleton. Chair Anastasio adjourned the meeting at 12:09 PM ET.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**Thursday, November 18, 2021**

PRESENT	Laura Anastasio	Connecticut Commissioner	Chair
	Ernise Singleton	Louisiana Commissioner	Vice Chair
	Brian Henry	Missouri Commissioner	Treasure & Finance
	John "Don" Kaminar	Arkansas Commissioner	Past Chair
	Shelly Ramos	Texas Commissioner	Training
	Chad Delbridge	Wyoming Commissioner	Comm & Outreach
	Chuck Clymer	DoD Representative	Ex-Officio
EXCUSED	Mary Gable	Maryland Commissioner	Rules
STAFF	Cherise Imai	Executive Director	Secretary
	Lindsey Dablow	Training & Operations Associate	
	Stephanie Ramsey	Communications Associate	

**ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER**

1. Chair Laura Anastasio (CT) called the meeting to order at 1:08 PM ET on Thursday, November 18, 2021.

**ITEM 2 – ROLL CALL**

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

**ITEM 3 – WELCOME**

3. Chair Anastasio welcomed members to the first meeting. She welcomed new members, Commissioner Shelly Ramos (TX) and Chad Delbridge (WY) in their new roles and looked forward to working with members to support military students.

**ITEM 4 – INTRODUCTIONS**

4. Members and staff conducted self-introductions.

**ITEM 5 – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

5. Commissioner John "Don" Kaminar (AR) motioned to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner and Vice Chair Ernise Singleton (LA). Motion carried.

**ITEM 6 – NEW BUSINESS**

6. **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MANUAL** – Chair Anastasio and ED Imai reviewed the document which outlined roles, responsibilities, and clear expectations of committee members and staff.
7. **STRATEGIC PLAN** – Chair Anastasio briefed the Strategic Plan. She noted the organization is moving into Year 3, and every standing committee has goals and action items. She added staff will be scheduling calls with incoming and outgoing chairs to support a smooth transition into new roles.



8. **2022 STANDING COMMITTEES/COMMITTEE GOALS** – ED Imai reviewed tracking report which outlines committee goals, action items, and the status of the strategic plan.

9. **MEETING DATES** – ED Imai presented the proposed meeting dates and times. She asked members to confirm the dates and/or inform staff if there is a conflict. She added dates could be adjusted based on their availability. The document would be approved by the committee in December for dissemination to the Commission.

#### **ITEM 7 – ADJOURNMENT**

10. With no further business to conduct, Vice Chair Singleton motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Kaminar. Chair Anastasio adjourned the meeting at 2:02 PM ET.



**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES  
December 9-10, 2021**

PRESENT	Laura Anastasio	Connecticut Commissioner	Chair
	Ernise Singleton	Louisiana Commissioner	Vice Chair
	Brian Henry	Missouri Commissioner	Treasure & Finance
	John "Don" Kaminar	Arkansas Commissioner	Past Chair
	Mary Gable	Maryland Commissioner	Rules
	Shelly Ramos	Texas Commissioner	Training
	Steven Bullard	Kentucky Commissioner	Compliance
	(present on Day Two only)		
	Chad Delbridge	Wyoming Commissioner	Comm & Outreach
	EXCUSED	Chuck Clymer	DoD Representative
STAFF	Cherise Imai	Executive Director	Secretary
	Lindsey Dablow	Training & Operations Assoc.	
	Stephanie Ramsey	Communications Associate	

**ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME**

1. Chair Laura Anastasio (CT) called the meeting to order at 1:02 PM ET on Wednesday, December 9, 2021. She welcomed new Communications Associate, Stephanie Ramsey to the Commission. She also welcomed the newly standing committee chairs to the committee.

**ITEM 2 – ROLL CALL**

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

**ITEM 3 – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

4. Commissioner John "Don" Kaminar (AR) motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Vice Commissioner Chad Delbridge (WY). Motion carried.

**ITEM 4 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

5. The minutes from the November 8, 2021, meeting was postponed to the January pending revisions by Chair Anastasio and Commissioner Kaminar.

6. Commissioner Mary Gable (MD) motioned to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2021, meeting, seconded by Commissioner Kaminar. Motion carried.

**ITEM 5 – REPORTS**

7. **Chair** - Chair Anastasio expressed appreciation for members support and attendance at today's meeting. She welcomed new members and stated she looked forward to working closely with the committee to support military kids. She asked members to report on their committees at each Executive Committee (EXCOM) meeting.

8. **Vice Chair** - Vice Chair Ernise Singleton (LA) expressed the same sentiments as Chair Anastasio. She said she did not have a report at this time as the Ex-Officio group will hold their first meeting in January.
9. **Executive Director - CSG Staff Return to Office** - Executive Director (ED) Cherise Imai reported the Council of State Governments (CSG) informed her the office building reopening is still targeted for January 15, 2022, however the date may be extended depending on the status of COVID in Kentucky. Staff will continue to work two days a week in-person and three days remotely until CSG provides next steps.
10. **New CSG Strategic Plan** - ED Imai reported CSG has informed affiliate organizations of a new strategic plan which includes a reassessment of affiliates and value to CSG. She is unsure of the impact on MIC3's partnership with the CSG and will keep the EXCOM informed of the status.
11. **Webinar and Trainings** – ED Imai reported training sessions were conducted by the National Office for South Carolina schools and Hawaii Public School district staff last week. She added a new webinar series is scheduled for release in 2022 and include: 1/26 National Military Family Association's Teen Mental Health Report; 2/16 Military Child Education Coalition's SchoolQuest Program; and 3/30 Legal Perspectives of the Compact. She noted webinars continue to be well-received by members.
12. **Finance** - Treasurer Brian Henry (MO) reported New Jersey is the sole state with outstanding FY21 dues, and staff continue to follow up with Commissioner Tony Trongone on payment. Treasurer Henry also reported the FY22 fund balance was \$1.85M, and current expenditures are typical for this time of year. He noted the figure does not include expenses for the Annual Business Meeting which will likely be reflected in the next few months as invoices are paid. Regarding investments, the initial portfolio investment was \$350,000, and it continues to perform well with the current balance at \$567,207. In comparison, the balance was \$502,891 in December 2021.
13. **Communications and Outreach** - Commissioner Delbridge stated he was excited to be part of the EXCOM. He reported he did not have a report at this time as the committee will hold its first meeting in January.
14. **Compliance** - ED Imai reported on behalf of Commissioner Steven Bullard who was unable to attend today's call due to a conflict with his schedule. ED Imai reported staff will continue to work with Commissioner Bullard to follow up with the 5 states that have not submitted their End-of-Year reports. She noted the National Office continues to track the status of state council meetings and referenced the report provided to the committee.
15. **Rules** - Commissioner Gable reported she did not have a report at this time as the committee will meet in the new year, however she looked forward to working with the committee, especially new members on the Commission.
16. **Training** - Commissioner Shelly Ramos (TX) stated she did not have a report to share however was honored to be a part of the EXCOM and looked forward to working with everyone.
17. **Leadership Nomination** - Commissioner Kaminar reported the committee met on November 15 to debrief the Annual Business Meeting electoral process with Immediate Past Chair Rosemarie Kraeger (RI). The committee will meet next in March.
18. **U.S. Department of Defense (DOD) Representative** - ED Imai reported on behalf of Mr. Chuck Clymer who was unable to attend today's call. ED Imai stated as reported at the ABM, the DOD

reviewed and realigned the state DOD representative assignments by service. Post ABM, the states with new service assignments were contacted and informed of the new point of contact. She stated they hold regular meetings to discuss challenges, discuss solutions, and collaborate. She expressed appreciation for Mr. Clymer's efforts and partnership with the DOD.

#### ITEM 5 – OLD BUSINESS

19. **2021 Annual Business Meeting** - ED Imai reported the post event survey was released to the commission and ex-officio members, and noted staff is reviewing the responses. The EXCOM will review the report in January. She stated a media release was disseminated regarding the ABM and the election of new officers. She asked members if they were interested in a release specifically for their state to contact her. Vice Chair Singleton noted she sent the release to her the Louisiana Department of Education Communications and they shared the information through their channels. (OPEN ITEM)

20. **Tier Groups** - ED Imai reported newly revised Tier Group initiative will be launched this year and noted this initiative is a strategic plan priority for the EXCOM. As there were new members, she reviewed the Tier Group Guidance document with the committee and stated the four groups have a Facilitator appointed by the Commission Chair. Due to the ABM held virtually, the launch and meetings will be held virtually in 2022. She asked members to email her any comments or feedback regarding the program's relaunch. (OPEN ITEM)

21. **National Guard and Reserves (NGR), Expansion of the Compact** - Chair Anastasio reported she and ED Imai met on November 30 with Darren Embry and Samantha Nance of Embry and Associates, one of the Commission's outside General Counsel's to discuss the way forward. ED Imai noted Embry was secured on retainer in November 2019, however we have not utilized their services until now. Chair Anastasio stated Embry is conducting a legal review of the NGR documents and will provide an analysis in February for EXCOM review. The intent is to share the way forward with the Commission in the Legal Perspectives webinar scheduled for March. ED Imai stated Mr. Clymer was checking on the availability of data on the NGR as well. (OPEN ITEM)

22. **Response to the Inquiry from Commissioner Shelley Joan Weiss (WI)** - Chair Anastasio reported Commissioner Weiss had emailed her and ED Imai feedback on multiple topics for consideration by the EXCOM. The committee reviewed the email, discussed the responses, and directed ED Imai to draft a letter for review in January. (OPEN ITEM)

#### ITEM 6 – RECESS

23. Chair Anastasio recessed the meeting at 2:32 PM ET.

#### ITEM 7 – RECONVENE

24. Chair Anastasio reconvened the meeting at 1:03 PM ET on Thursday, December 10, 2021.

#### ITEM 8 – ROLL CALL

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

#### ITEM 9 – OLD BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

26. **Commissioner Dan Dunham (VA) Concern Regarding the Legal Memorandum on Purple Star** - Chair Anastasio stated Commissioner Dunham had expressed concern during the ABM

regarding the legal memorandum that the references the State of Ohio and Tennessee having requested commission funds for the program was inaccurate. The committee directed ED Imai to contact General Counsel Rick Masters to discuss the concerns and report back to the committee in January. (OPEN ITEM)

#### ITEM 10 – EXECUTIVE SESSION

27. Commissioner Kaminar motioned to move into Executive Session, seconded by Vice Chair Singleton. Motion carried. The committee moved to Executive Session to discussed personnel business.

28. Chair Anastasio reconvened the general session at 1:42 PM ET.

#### ITEM 11 – NEW BUSINESS

29. **Awards** - ED Imai reported Commissioner Daron Korte (MN), formerly the Compliance Committee Chair, moved off the EXCOM. This was not known prior to the ABM; therefore she proposed the EXCOM bestow the Arflack Award for his years of service on the leadership team. Commissioner Gable motioned to approve the award, seconded by Commissioner Singleton. Motion carried.

30. ED Imai reported Christina Spielbauer, Superintendent, Carlisle Area Schools, PA was leaving her position with the district. PA Commissioner, Barbara Clemmer requested an MIC3 Community Award for Superintendent Spielbauer. Commissioner Gable motioned to approve the award, seconded by Treasurer Henry. Motion carried.

31. **Standing Committees** - Chair Anastasio reported appointments to committees have been completed and presented the list for review. She noted she tried to accommodate preference requests as much as possible, while maintaining a similar number of members for each committee. She stated the Leadership Nomination members include new members with the exception of 3 returning members for continuity. ED Imai stated the meeting dates have been posted on the website. In addition, she reported the committee list and dates will be released to the members tomorrow via Constant Contact. She noted staff would be sending out meeting notices in outlook over the next few weeks and would contact the appropriate chairs to prepare for upcoming meetings in January.

#### ITEM 12 – OTHER BUSINESS

32. **Communications Associate Update** - Communications Associate Stephanie Ramsey introduced herself and provided an overview of her role and responsibilities. She stated she looked forward to working with everyone.

33. **Move to Zoom Platform in January** – ED Imai reported the commission meetings would move from GoToMeeting to Zoom beginning in January. CSG and affiliate organizations have made a similar move due to cost savings. GoToMeeting is currently \$600/year while Zoom is \$200/year.

#### ITEM 13 – ADJOURNMENT

34. With no further business to conduct, Treasurer Henry motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vice Chair Singleton. Chair Anastasio adjourned the meeting at 1:58 PM ET.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**Thursday, January 20, 2022**

PRESENT	Laura Anastasio	Connecticut Commissioner	Chair
	Ernise Singleton	Louisiana Commissioner	Vice Chair
	Brian Henry	Missouri Commissioner	Treasure & Finance
	Steve Bullard	Kentucky Commissioner	Compliance
	Chad Delbridge	Wyoming Commissioner	Comm & Outreach
	Mary Gable	Maryland Commissioner	Rules
	John "Don" Kaminar	Arkansas Commissioner	Past Chair
	Shelly Ramos	Texas Commissioner	Training
	Dianna Ganote	Interim DoD Representative	Ex-Officio
	STAFF	Cherise Imai	Executive Director
Lindsey Dablow		Training & Operations Assoc.	
Stephanie Ramsey		Communications Associate	

**ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER**

1. Chair Laura Anastasio (CT) called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM ET on Thursday, January 20, 2022. She welcomed Ms. Dianna Ganote, interim military representative for the U.S. Department of Defense (USDOD). Ms. Ganote stated Mr. Chuck Clymer is on extended leave and she is pleased to represent the USDOD at the meeting. She said she Program Analyst; Children, Youth, and Families; Office of Military Family Readiness Policy for the USDOD, Military Community and Family Policy.

**ITEM 2 – ROLL CALL**

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

**ITEM 3 – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

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

**ITEM 4 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

4. Vice Chair Ernise Singleton (LA) motioned to approve the minutes from the November 8, 2021, meeting as presented, seconded by Treasurer Brian Henry (MO). Motion carried.

5. Treasurer Henry motioned to approve minutes from the December 9-10, 2021, meeting, seconded by Commissioner Kaminar. Motion carried.

**ITEM 5 – REPORTS**

6. **Chair** – Chair Anastasio did not have a report at this time.

7. **Vice Chair** – Vice Chair Singleton reported the Ex-Officio met on January 6<sup>th</sup> and they spent time getting acquainted. They discussed an overview of the Commission and individual organization events and activities. She noted the National Military Family Association has an upcoming webinar for



the Commissioners and stakeholders on January 26<sup>th</sup>. Lastly, they agreed notes would be drafted and posted on the website for transparency. The group would meet again in April.

8. **Executive Director** – ED Imai reported the Council of State Governments (CSG) has delayed the full in-person return of CSG staff to the office. She added CSG is developing a new strategic plan, and she would keep the Committee apprised of the items as information is made available. She reported virtual training would be conducted on 1/24 for the South Carolina School Counselors and scheduled for California on request by the respective Commissioners; and was held for the Hawaii Public School personnel on 12/12/2021. ED Imai highlighted the upcoming webinars in the MIC3 Presents series which includes the 2/16 Military Child Education Coalition's SchoolQuest resource. She noted the Commission staffed state council meetings for: Pennsylvania on 11/16/2021; Arizona on 12/9/2021; and attended Kentucky this morning. Lastly, she said she met with the District of Columbia mayoral staff in December regarding filling the Commissioner vacancy.

9. **Finance** – Treasurer Henry noted New Jersey is outstanding for their Fiscal Year 2021 dues and staff continues to follow up on payment. In addition, he reviewed the current balance, expenditures, dues, and investment balances for Fiscal Year 2022.

10. **Communication and Outreach Committee** – Commissioner Delbridge reported they approved the Purple Up! Toolkit which was released to the Commission this past week and posted to the website. He encouraged members to share and utilize the information for April's Month of the Military Child. He reminded members of the Successful Compact Video Transitions program seeks stories and the deadline was in June. He also noted they discussed the relevance of the Ambassador program and said members felt developing this program under the Strategic Plan should be reconsidered by the EXCOM.

11. **Compliance** – Commissioner Bullard reported they met on 1/26. The committee reviewed the status of state council meetings, and submittals for the Code of Conduct (COC) and Conflict of Interest (COI) forms to date. They asked ED Imai to follow up with the Commissioners from Maine and Vermont to remind them of their obligation to hold a state council meeting by June 30<sup>th</sup> of this year.

12. **Rules** – Commissioner Mary Gable (MD) did not have a report at this time.

13. **Training** – Commissioner Shelly Ramos (TX) reported they met on 1/18. They discussed education/military acronyms and are developing a resource to assist Commissioners. They also discussed the Learning Management System and creating a training video for Article V: Graduation Placement this year.

14. **Leadership Nomination** – Commissioner Kaminar did not have a report at this time.

15. **DOD Liaison** – Ms. Ganote stated she was pleased to hear the Commission supported the Month of the Military Child. She reported the services held a joint training for School Liaisons and state level briefs on trends prior to the MIC3 Annual Business Meeting (ABM). Their current focus area was highlighting the School Liaison program and supports provided for families, and she would be contacting ED Imai on sharing this information with Commissioners.

## ITEM 6 – OLD BUSINESS

16. **2021 ABM Post Event Survey Results** – Ms. Lindsey Dablow, Training and Operations Associate reviewed the results of the survey.

17. **Tier Group Program** – ED Imai reported staff is working on the rollout of the revised program and scheduling virtual meetings later this year. She noted the Groups would normally meet in person at the ABM, however as it was held virtually, the meetings would be held on Zoom.

18. **Expansion of the Compact to Other Populations** – ED Imai reported inquiries were received from Pennsylvania, Virginia, and North Carolina on how to do this. She provided the General Counsel memorandum from Rick Masters which provides Kentucky's statute as an example. She noted Virginia expressed interest in providing support for civilian USDOD dependents, which upon review by General Counsel, was noted as a conflict with the Compact statute as it specifically states the Compact does not cover USDOD civilian dependents. She referenced the Legal Memorandum and stated General Counsel, is drafting a legal memorandum of the options available to the Commission for expansion of the Compact to the National Guard and Reserves which would be presented to the Committee once it has been received.

19. **Response to the Inquiry by Commissioner Shelley Joan Weiss (WI)** – Chair Anastasio reviewed the inquiry and suggestions made; and the Committee's responses in the draft letter. Commissioner Kaminar motioned to approve the letter, seconded by Vice Chair Singleton. Motion carried.

20. **Commissioner Dan Dunham (VA)'s Concern Regarding the Legal Memorandum on Purple Star (5/12/2021)** – ED Imai reported a request was sent to General Counsel to consider modifying the memorandum. She will report to the Committee the outcome once a response was received.

#### ITEM 7 – NEW BUSINESS

21. **April EXCOM Meeting in Lexington** – Ms. Dablow reviewed the logistics for the meeting and noted an email would be sent with the information to members.

22. **Stipends for New Commissioner Mentors from Commissioner Greg Lynch (WA)** – due to time constraints, this item was tabled to the next meeting. (OPEN ITEM)

#### ITEM 8 – OTHER BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

23. Chair Anastasio reminded members to submit their COC and COI forms by January 31; and to complete the online Vanderbilt Survey by researcher Jenny Cogbill by 2/4.

#### ITEM 9 – ADJOURNMENT

24. With no further business to conduct, Commissioner Delbridge motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. Chair Anastasio adjourned the meeting at 2:25 PM ET.



**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**Thursday, February 17, 2022**

PRESENT	Laura Anastasio Ernise Singleton Brian Henry Steve Bullard Chad Delbridge Mary Gable John "Don" Kaminar Shelly Ramos Dianna Ganote	Connecticut Commissioner Louisiana Commissioner Missouri Commissioner Kentucky Commissioner Wyoming Commissioner Maryland Commissioner Arkansas Commissioner Texas Commissioner Interim DoD Representative	Chair Vice Chair Treasure & Finance Compliance Comm & Outreach Rules Past Chair Training Ex-Officio
STAFF	Cherise Imai Lindsey Dablow Stephanie Ramsey	Executive Director Training & Operations Assoc. Communications Associate	Secretary

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**ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER**

- Chair Laura Anastasio (CT) called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM ET on Thursday, February 17, 2022.

**ITEM 2 – ROLL CALL**

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

**ITEM 3 – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

- Commissioner Don Kaminar (AR) motioned to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Treasurer Brian Henry (MO). Motion carried.

**ITEM 4 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

- Commissioner Steven Bullard (KY) motioned to approve the minutes from the January 20, 2022, meeting as presented, seconded by Vice Chair Ernise Singleton (LA). Motion carried.

**ITEM 5 – REPORTS**

- Executive Director** – ED Imai reported the February Newsletter was sent to subscribers. She encouraged members to attend the MIC3 February webinar highlighting the Military Child Education Coalition's SchoolQuest resource on February 16<sup>th</sup>. She reported staff supported the Alaska State Council meeting on February 10<sup>th</sup>. She noted recent trainings were held for: Hardin County schools; Elizabethtown Independent Schools; and the DOD high school on Fort Knox on February 12<sup>th</sup>. She added West Virginia scheduled training for February 28<sup>th</sup>. She said 100% of the conflict of interest and Code of Conduct forms have been collected. Finally, she reported the District of Columbia has appointed their commission. As a result, the Commissioner appointment is 100%, a first for the organization.

6. **Finance** – Treasurer Henry noted the state of New Jersey made payment on their dues for Fiscal Year 2021 which means 100% of commission dues have been collected. In addition, he reviewed the current balance, expenditures, dues, and investment balances for Fiscal Year 2022.
7. **Rules** – Commissioner Mary Gable (MD) reported the committee recently met on February 8<sup>th</sup>. They reviewed the cases and inquiries received by the National Office. They are also drafting an Open Records policy and approved the MIC3 Staff Covid Policy which is on the agenda later for approval. She said Hawaii Commissioner Kathleen Berg requested a Legal Advisory on Kindergarten and the definition of the term “accredited”. She noted the Committee was conducting rules review this year. Lastly, she said VA Commissioner Dan Dunham complimented the National Office staff regarding a recent post on Facebook by a parent residing in Virginia. He said staff contacted him quickly and informed him of the comments, and he followed up with the parent, however the parent said they did not have time to elaborate further. Therefore the matter was closed.
8. **DOD Liaison** – Ms. Dianna Ganote reported they are highlighting the School Liaison program and are working with Military One Source on a series of articles and information which could be promoted to the Commissioners. In addition, the May MIC3 webinar is on the School Liaison information with Commissioners.

#### ITEM 6 – OLD BUSINESS

9. **Merit Awards** – Ms. Stephanie Ramsey, Communications Associate reported the pins, and a congratulatory letter would be sent to appropriate members by the end of the month. ED Imai noted this closed out this item on the strategic plan.
10. **2021 ABM Costs** – Ms. Lindsey Dablow, Training and Operations Associate reported the final cost of the meeting was \$100,413. She stated 77% of the expenses was audio visual (AV) and hybrid technology, and 17% for the hotel and catering for staff and technology team. In comparison to previous events, the AV costs were substantially higher as additional equipment and technology personnel was necessary to support a virtual event. Since the state of Arkansas had not declared an emergency, and the move from an in-person to a virtual event was made based on the concern for health and safety of attendees, the Commission was obligated to fulfill our contract. The Committee understood the costs as other organizations had moved from in-person to virtual events. Ms. Dablow also reviewed the projected budget for the 2022 ABM in Baton Rouge which was based on expenditures from 2019 Colorado Springs.
11. **Tier Group Program** – ED Imai reported staff is working on the rollout of the revised program and scheduling virtual meetings with the Facilitators this year. She reminded members that future Tier Group meetings would be held at the ABM.
12. **General Counsel** – ED Imai reported Florida recently requested a Legal Advisory on changes to their statute which extended the sunset date and added a new member to the state council. She added the state of Pennsylvania requested a review of proposed legislation which seeks to add a new section to the Public-School Code which would provide the “same rights” to “a child of a member of the National Guard and Reserve” as those afforded to a “student of an active-duty military family under [the Compact].” According to Embry’s advisory, this proposal would not conflict with the Compact statute.
13. **Response to the Inquiry by Commissioner Shelley Joan Weiss (WI)** on MIC3 research – Chair Anastasio reviewed the inquiry and draft. Members provided feedback on key points. A copy would be provided to the EXCOM members on the email.

## ITEM 7 – NEW BUSINESS

14. **US Secretary of Education Letter on the MIC3** – ED Imai reported a letter of support for MIC3 was drafted and disseminated to all state school superintendents and chief education officers. She credited the support to the Secretary's awareness of the Compact, Chair Anastasio's support, and the partnership with the USDOE Military Liaison, Jermaine Sullivan. The letter would be disseminated to the Commission.
15. **Riggs Enterprise Strategic Plan Proposal** – ED Imai reviewed the proposal with members. Commissioner Gable motioned to approve the proposal, seconded by Commissioner Kaminar. Motion passed.
16. **New Policy #1-2022 MIC3 COVID Vaccination Policy** – Commissioner Gable reported the policy was approved by the Rules Committee at their past meeting. Commissioner Gable motioned to approve the policy as presented, seconded by Vice Chair Singleton. Motion carried. ED Imai stated the item would be presented at the ABM for ratification.
17. **Suggestion: Stipends for New Commissioner Mentors from Commissioner Greg Lynch (WA)** – Due to time constraints, this item was tabled to the March meeting. **(OPEN ITEM)**
18. **Awards** – ED Imai reported a community award was requested by Commissioner Teresa Ferenzchalmy for Zach Chavez, Community Outreach Coordinator for New Mexico Department of Education. He was a member of the State Council.

## ITEM 8 – OTHER BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

19. **Social Media** – Ms. Ramsey encouraged members to tag #mic3compact on their social media.
20. **Upcoming Webinars** – ED Imai reminded members about the upcoming webinars and to attend if their schedule permitted.
21. **Purple Up! Toolkit** – Chair Anastasio reminded members to utilize and promote the Communications and Outreach Committee's Purple Up! Toolkit.
22. **Successful Transition Video Program** – Chair Anastasio reminded members about the program and submittals were due June 1.

## ITEM 9 – ADJOURNMENT

23. With no further business to conduct, Chair Anastasio adjourned the meeting by acclamation at 2:03 PM ET. She noted she will be on vacation in March, therefore the meeting would be led by Vice Chair Singleton.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**Thursday, March 17, 2022**

PRESENT	Ernise Singleton Brian Henry Steve Bullard Chad Delbridge John "Don" Kaminar Shelly Ramos Dianna Ganote	Louisiana Commissioner Missouri Commissioner Kentucky Commissioner Wyoming Commissioner Arkansas Commissioner Texas Commissioner Interim Military Representative, USDOD	Vice Chair Treasure & Finance Compliance Comm & Outreach Past Chair Training Ex-Officio
STAFF	Cherise Imai Lindsey Dablow Stephanie Ramsey	Executive Director Training & Operations Assoc. Communications Associate	Secretary
EXCUSED	Laura Anastasio Mary Gable	Connecticut Commissioner Maryland Commissioner	Chair Rules

**ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER**

1. Vice Chair Ernise Singleton (LA) called the meeting to order at 1:02 PM ET on Thursday, February 17, 2022.

**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. Treasurer Brian Henry (MO) motioned to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Don Kaminar (AR). Motion carried.

**ITEM 4 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

4. Commissioner Kaminar motioned to approve the minutes from the February 17, 2022 meeting as presented, seconded by Commissioner Steven Bullard (KY). Motion carried.

**ITEM 5 – REPORTS**

5. **Vice Chair** – Vice Chair Singleton reported she will be meeting with the Tier Group Facilitators later this month to review their role and responsibilities, discuss and plan the agenda. They are considering a brief by General Counsel and discussion on the National Guard and Reserves as a focus. She also reported Mentor Meets and Greets are scheduled this month to connect new Commissioners with their mentors.

6. **Executive Director** – ED Imai reported she is onboarding the new Commissioner for the District of Columbia and has scheduled 3 meetings. She reviewed the recent trainings which include West Virginia, California, and Mississippi. She spoke to the Military Impacted Schools Association at the National Association of Federally Impacted Schools in DC. A Compact 101 webinar was held on

February 23 and a second is planned for March 23. The National Office has confirmed an information table for the American School Counselor Association in July.

7. **Finance** – Treasurer Henry reviewed the current balance, expenditures, dues, and investment balances for Fiscal Year 2022. He noted California, Illinois, Louisiana, North Carolina, and Pennsylvania have not made payment on their dues. Reminders were sent earlier this month to the payment authority however the deadline is end June. Regarding investments, the asset mix is stocks = 62.4%, bonds = 37.6%. Total Value on February 28 was \$545,500.24. He noted the fund decreased \$10,582.30 (2%) over last month. Their next meeting is on March 23.

8. **Communications and Outreach** – Commissioner Chad Delbridge (WY) reported the committee recently met. They approved the new social media postcard, a new resource. They also discussed developing plans on how members can connect with their state department of education and military.

9. **Compliance** – Commissioner Bullard reported they met on March 8 however they did not achieve quorum. They could not vote, however they discussed business. He stated ED Imai sent emails to Vermont and Maine, who did not hold a meeting last year, notifying them they are required to hold a state council meeting by the end of June. Commissioner Bullard also emailed Vermont to remind the Commissioner his end-of-year report had not been received.

10. **Training** – Commissioner Ramos reported the committee met at the end of February. They reviewed the draft education and military terminology guide, which will be finalized at their next meeting. They also discussed the new training videos and are developing the scripts. Finally, the Learning Management System discussion is ongoing. They reviewed vendors and will make a final decision in April.

11. **DOD Liaison** – Ms. Dianna Ganote reported Chuck Clymer is back from his leave and should be attending meetings soon. She noted the Department is preparing its campaign for April's Month of the Military Child. She will share this information when it is made available.

## ITEM 6 – OLD BUSINESS

12. **April Executive Committee Meeting** – Ms. Lindsey Dablow, MIC3 Training and Operations Associate reminded members to make their hotel reservations and purchase their airfare. She also reminded members to bring a purple shirt or accessory for a group photo. She will email a reminder to the Committee this week.

13. **Revised Purple Star Memorandum** – ED Imai presented the revised memorandum for review and approval. Commissioner Ramos motioned to approve the memorandum. It was seconded by Commissioner Bullard. All members present voted in favor and Commissioner Kaminar abstained. Motion carried.

## ITEM 7 – NEW BUSINESS

14. **Commissioner Bob Buehn (FL) update** – ED Imai reported Commissioner Buehn's wife passed away recently. In lieu of flowers, they request a donation be made in her name to St Mary's in Jacksonville. Under current practice, she recommended the Commission send \$100 in memoriam of Mrs. Buehn. Commissioner Bullard motioned to approve \$100 donation. Seconded by Treasurer Henry. Motion carried.

15. **Executive Session** – Commissioner Kaminar motioned to move into Executive Session. Seconded by Commissioner Bullard. Motion carried.

16. **Exit Executive Session** – Treasurer Henry motioned to move out of Executive Session. Seconded by Commissioner Delbridge. Motion carried.

17. **Kentucky Compact Case** – Commissioner Kaminar motioned for ED Imai to contact General Counsel Embry to further investigate the case for a maximum of two weeks in preparation for mediation. Seconded by Treasurer Henry. Motion carried.

#### **ITEM 8 – OTHER BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

18. **Social Media** – Ms. Ramsey encouraged members to tag #mic3compact on their social media.

19. **Upcoming Webinars** – ED Imai reminded members about the upcoming webinars and to attend if their schedule permitted. 3/23 Compact 101; 3/30 Legal Perspectives of the Compact; April is Purple Up! Month.

20. **Successful Transition Video Program** – ED Imai reminded members about the program and submittals are due June 1.

#### **ITEM 9 – ADJOURNMENT**

21. Commissioner Delbridge motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Bullard. With no further business to conduct, Vice Chair Singleton adjourned the meeting at 2:01 PM ET.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**April 19-21, 2022**  
**Origin Hotel in Lexington, KY**

PRESENT	<p>Laura Anastasio Ernise Singleton Brian Henry John "Don" Kaminar Steve Bullard Chad Delbridge Mary Gable Shelly Ramos Dianna Ganote Lori Phipps</p>	<p>Connecticut Commissioner Louisiana Commissioner Missouri Commissioner Arkansas Commissioner Kentucky Commissioner Wyoming Commissioner Maryland Commissioner Texas Commissioner Int Military Representative, USDOD Director of Op, School Liaison Prog.</p>	<p>Chair Vice Chair Treasure &amp; Finance Past Chair Compliance Comm &amp; Outreach Rules Training Ex-Officio Department of the Air Force</p>
STAFF	<p>Cherise Imai Lindsey Dablow Stephanie Ramsey Samantha Nance Stuart Michael</p>	<p>Executive Director Training &amp; Operations Assoc. Communications Associate Embry, Womack, Merritt, and Nance General Counsel Embry, Womack, Merritt, and Nance General Counsel</p>	<p>Secretary</p>
EXCUSED	<p>Chuck Clymer</p>	<p>Military Representative, USDOD</p>	

**ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER**

- Chair Laura Anastasio called the meeting to order at 8:12 AM ET on Tuesday, April 19, 2022.

**ITEM 2 – ROLL CALL**

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

**ITEM 3 – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

- Commissioner Ernise Singleton (LA) motioned to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Don Kaminar (AR). Motion carried.

**ITEM 4 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

- Commissioner Kaminar motioned to approve the minutes from the March 17, 2022, meeting as presented, seconded by Commissioner Steven Bullard (KY). Motion carried.

**ITEM 5 – EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- Commissioner Singleton motioned to move into Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner Kaminar.
- Commissioner Singleton motioned to exit Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner Kaminar.



7. **Model Compact Language Citation Error Identified by Utah Commissioner Ben Rasmussen** – Commissioner Kaminar motioned for General Counsel to 1) conduct a fifty state and District of Columbia review of the model compact language and provide a legal memorandum on the compact language citation error and reference to the National Guard and Reserve; and 2) conduct a second review to ensure there are no other errors in the Compact language. Further to review the entire statute to ensure there are no other errors. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bullard. Motion carried. (OPEN ITEM)
8. **California San Diego Unified School District Case** – Commissioner Singleton motioned to file a notice of default letter with the state of California and the San Diego Unified School District to begin the process of litigation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kaminar. Motion carried. (OPEN ITEM)
9. The Executive Committee (EXCOM) asked ED Imai to notify the California Commissioner once the letter was approved and was sent to the school district by General Counsel.
10. **Kentucky Elizabethtown School District Case** – Commissioner Chad Delbridge (WY) motioned that the EXCOM take no further action on the case and authorize General Counsel to prepare a letter to send to the parent. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mary Gable (MD). Motion carried. (OPEN ITEM)

## ITEM 6 – REPORTS

11. **Chair** – Chair Anastasio said the National Guard and Reserve item would be discussed later in the agenda. She added she looked forward to the upcoming Tier Group Meetings next month.
12. **Vice Chair** – Vice Chair Singleton reported the Mentor Meet and Greet was held on March 18<sup>th</sup> and the event went well. She said the ex-officio group met twice and exchanged information activities of their organizations, and what the Commission is doing.
13. **Executive Director** – ED Imai reviewed the recent. She reported on trainings and the webinars by the National Office. ED Imai noted the Council of State Governments (CSG) affiliates met on the 8<sup>th</sup> and they will survey organizations on the partnerships. She also reported the CSG Headquarters participated in a virtual trivia contest to celebrate Month of the Military Child.
14. **General Counsel** – Ms. Samantha Nance reported Counsel conducted a statutory analysis either external to or part of the Compact for PA, VA, FL. In addition, they issued a legal advisory for on request by Hawaii Commissioner Kathleen Berg on Kindergarten and school accreditation as contained in the Compact. At the moment, the advisory remains with the Rules Committee and will be sent to the EXCOM for review.
15. **Rules** – Commissioner Gable reported the Committee reviewed the Rulebook; are developing an Open Policy to address requests to the National Office for data and information; and will review the Hawaii Legal Memorandum on Kindergarten at their next meeting.
16. **Leadership Nomination** – Commissioner Kaminar reported the Committee met on March 21<sup>st</sup> and they will meet again on May 16<sup>th</sup>. They reviewed the electoral process timeline and documents. They also discussed prior Committee and Annual Business Meeting (ABM) feedback from Commissioners. He noted New York Commissioner Debra Jackson agreed to serve as Vice Chair.

17. **DOD Liaison** – Ms. Dianna Ganote, Military Representative, reported a recent GAO study was released on Special Needs and Impact Aid. She also noted they continue to promote their campaign to build awareness on the School Liaison program through the services and Military OneSource. This will elevate the presence and awareness of the SL role and support for military families. Ms. Lori Phipps thanked the Members for their support both national and local level. She stressed the collaboration between Commissioners and School Liaisons in their state.

## ITEM 7 – OLD BUSINESS

18. **Florida Commissioner Update** – ED Imai reported a memoriam was made in Mrs. Buehn's name to St Mary's in Jacksonville. In addition, on behalf of the Commission, a card was sent to Commissioner Bob Buehn notifying him of the donation. He expressed gratitude and thanks for the EXCOM's thoughtfulness.

19. **MIC3 Awards** – Vice Chair Singleton motioned to approve outgoing Maine Commissioner, Tyler Backus, for the State Service Award, seconded by Commissioner Kaminar. Motion carried.

20. ED Imai reported a Community Award was presented to Ray Proctor, Superintendent of Business Services, Fallbrook Unified Elementary Schools, for his support of the Compact and military students. This award did not need EXCOM approval.

21. **Tier Group Relaunch** – Vice Chair Singleton reported the meetings will be held in the May/June timeframe. She and Chair Anastasio met with the Tier Group Facilitators discuss the agenda and rollout. Members agreed a presentation by the General Counsel on the statute citation and the NGR are appropriate topics.

22. **Vanderbilt Research** – ED Imai reported Jenny Cogbill's survey of the Commission was completed in February. Ms. Cogbill will follow up with members that indicated willingness to participate in follow up interviews. The study will be completed by the end of June with the final report in August.

**Recess** – Commissioner Singleton motioned to recess for lunch at 11:50 AM ET, seconded by Commissioner Kaminar. Motion carried.

**Reconvene** – Commissioner Singleton motioned to reconvene at 1:07 PM ET, seconded by Commissioner Kaminar. Motion carried.

## ITEM 8 – NEW BUSINESS

23. **Communications Update** – Ms. Stephanie Ramsey, Communications Associate, provided an update on the Month of the Military Child (MOTMC) activities. She said many states have sent her or tagged the Commission with photos from their events which have been reshared through social media. In addition, the EXCOM would be doing a special TikTok for MOTMC. She met recently with Bloom, the teen led organization, to discuss opportunities to partner with the Commission. The discussion is on-going however it is primarily centered on educating teens about the Compact which is an untapped opportunity. Finally, she announced the Commission had new TikTok and Instagram accounts, and she has been posting and sharing information on the Compact. ED Imai recognized Ms. Ramsey's contribution to the National Office and Commission which has increased our support for military families.

24. **U.S. Secretary of Education Support Letter and MOTMC** – ED Imai reported Secretary Cardona provided a support letter on the Compact which was disseminated to state superintendents of

education. This has been shared widely on our social media and with the Commission in this month's newsletter. In addition, Secretary Cardona has been speaking about the Compact at various events and venues. Yesterday, he spoke at the National Military Family Association conference and highlighted the importance and awareness of the Compact. Members expressed appreciation for this support and the Secretary's engagement.

25. **Suggestion: Stipends for New Commissioner Mentors** – ED Imai reported Commissioner Greg Lynch suggested the Commission provide stipends for the time and support mentors provide to new members. While members thought this was a novel idea, they expressed concern about a conflict of interest with state ethics laws, as Commissioners are appointed by their states and serve without compensation. Due to these concerns, members concluded they could not support this idea. However, they acknowledged the importance of mentors and the role they have in supporting new members. They agreed a recognition at the ABM would be appropriate to acknowledge their time and volunteerism, and perhaps a token of appreciation could be provided to mentors.

26. **Ambassador Program (from C&O)** – ED Imai reported the C&O Committee forwarded this item to the EXCOM for review. In sum, the recommended the item be dropped from the strategic plan. While it may have been a good idea three years ago, it was no longer relevant, and it would not add value to the Commission. Based on this recommendation, the EXCOM agreed to not pursue this item. Commissioner Delbridge thanked the EXCOM and said he would notify the Committee.

27. **2022 ABM Planning** – Members agreed the purpose of the event was a business meeting to address the affairs of the organization, and to prepare members for their role and responsibilities in managing the Compact in their respective state. Members agreed it was not a conference.

28. Members discussed overall cost and reviewed the cost analysis. They noted costs continue to grow, and the pandemic has increased overall event costs. They agreed that due to the pandemic, registration fees would remain the same this year. However, they may consider an increase next year.

29. They reviewed the draft itinerary and agreed on the two-day format, which is different from the prior half-full-half itinerary. The change was based on member interest and feedback for a two-day format. They also considered feedback from the ABM post-event survey.

30. **Mid-Year Survey** – ED Imai reported prior to the pandemic, the Commission conducted a mid-year survey. The prior survey sought feedback on the strategic plan, and prior to that, questions were committee driven and focused on collecting data on training and communication of the Compact by member states. ED Imai asked if the EXCOM would like to do a survey this year. Members agreed if a survey was conducted, it was purposeful in intent, and data gathered would be relevant to our work; and perhaps a survey of members could focus on the strategic plan. Members tabled this item for discussion at a future meeting. (OPEN ITEM)

31. **Strategic Plan** – Chair Anastasio yielded the floor to Consultant Brian Riggs to facilitate the Strategic Planning session.

**Recess** – By acclamation, Chair Anastasio recessed the meeting at 5:00 PM ET.

**Reconvene** – By acclamation, Chair Anastasio reconvened the meeting at 8:00 AM ET on Wednesday, April 20, 2022.

32. **Strategic Plan** – Consultant Brian Riggs facilitated the Strategic Planning session.

**Recess** – By acclimation, Chair Anastasio recessed the meeting at 4:00pm ET.

**Reconvene** – Treasurer Brian Henry motioned to reconvene the meeting at 8:00 AM ET on Thursday, April 21, 2022. Seconded by Commissioner Kaminar.

#### **ITEM 9 – OTHER BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

33. **April MOTMC and Purple Up!** – Ms. Ramsey previewed the MOTMC TikTok video. Members agreed it was great and fun to do. Ms. Ramsey reported tags on social media has increased and the toolkit for MOTMC has been used widely. ED Imai added Ms. Ramsey will create a video and slide deck of all the events taking place around MOTMC.

34. **Upcoming Events** – Training and Operations Associate, Ms. Lindsey Dablow, provided an overview of recent trainings and webinars.

35. **Successful Transition Video Program** – Ms. Ramsey reminded members about the program and submittals are due June 1.

36. **Future ABM Locations** – Members provided suggestions to staff for consideration.

#### **ITEM 10 – ADJOURNMENT**

36. Chair Anastasio thanked members for their hard work over the past two days and wished everyone safe travels home.

37. Commissioner Bullard motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Treasurer Henry. With no further business to conduct, Chair Anastasio adjourned the meeting at 8:52 AM ET.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**Thursday, May 19, 2022**

PRESENT	Laura Anastasio	Connecticut Commissioner	Chair
	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
	Lori Phipps	Director of Op, School Liaison Prog.	Dept of the Air Force
	Chuck Clymer	Military Representative, USDOD	Ex-Officio
	STAFF	Cherise Imai	Executive Director
	Lindsey Dablow	Training & Operations Assoc.	
EXCUSED	Chad Delbridge	Wyoming Commissioner	Comm & Outreach
	Dianna Ganote	Military Representative, USDOD	Ex-Officio
	Stephanie Ramsey	Communications Associate	

**ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER**

1. Chair Laura Anastasio called the meeting to order at 1:03 PM ET on Thursday, May 16, 2022.

**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 Don Kaminar (AR) motioned to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Vice Chair Ernise Singleton (LA). Motion carried.

**ITEM 4 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

4. Commissioner Steven Bullard (KY) motioned to approve the minutes from the April 19-21, 2022, meeting as presented, seconded by Commissioner Kaminar. The motion carried.

**ITEM 5 – EXECUTIVE SESSION**

5. Commissioner Singleton motioned to move into Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner Mary Gable (MD). Motion carried.
6. Commissioner Singleton motioned to exit Executive Session, seconded by Treasurer Brian Henry. Motion carried.

**ITEM 6 – REPORTS**

7. **Chair** – Chair Anastasio reported the 4 Tier Groups met this month. She attended all sessions and felt the meetings went well. There was great discussion.

8. **Vice Chair** – Vice Chair Singleton reported the Ex-Officio met in April. They provided updates on their respective organizations. Regarding the Tier Group meetings, she noted the facilitators and general counsel did a great job leading robust discussion on the Statute Citation, and the National Guard and Reserve.
9. **Executive Director** – Training and Operations Associate, Lindsey Dablow, reported sixteen trainings were recently conducted by the Commission. Ms. Dablow briefed at online and in-person events for Kentucky, Mississippi, Montana, and Florida.
10. **Finance** – Treasurer Henry reported on the status of the finances of the organization including the FY2022 dues; balance, and expenditures which were in alignment with 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter projections. He noted some line items, such as General Counsel and legal expenses, are anticipated to be higher than projected.
11. **Training** – Commissioner Shelly Ramos (TX) reported the Committee met on April 26<sup>th</sup>, however the Committee did not achieve quorum. Ms. Dablow updated members on current projects which include the training videos and learning management system. Commissioner Ramos added the military and education terminology guide would be reviewed at the next meeting.
12. **Compliance** – Commissioner Bullard said the Committee met on May 10<sup>th</sup> and he provided and update on FY2022 state council meetings and end-of-year (EOY) reports which are due by the end of June. He said the Committee will compile the reports into one booklet which will be posted on the website. He noted New Jersey had not submitted their FY2021 report to date, which places the state on a Level 3 status - he is following up with Commissioner Tony Trongone (NJ).
13. **Leadership Nomination** – Commissioner Kaminar reported the Committee met on May 16<sup>th</sup>. They finalized the electoral process timeline and documents. They also decided nominations from the floor would not be accepted this year; and a roll call would be utilized for the voting process.
14. **DOD Liaison** – Mr. Chuck Clymer reported the Department of Defense Instruction on the Commission is out of date and needs to be updated. He has served with honor for 3 years as the liaison, and he thanked members for their passion and commitment to the Compact – and supporting military connected students.

## ITEM 7 – OLD BUSINESS

15. **Kentucky Elizabethtown School District Case** – ED Imai reported the parent was notified of the Executive Committee's (EXCOM) decision. The case is closed.
16. **Strategic Plan-Commissioner Sessions** – ED Imai reported the strategic plan consultant, Mr. Brian Riggs, has scheduled two sessions on June 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> to allow members and ex-officio to provide input and feedback on the strategic plan goals. She noted Mr. Riggs will facilitate the sessions, and the National Office staff will not take part or staff the events.

## ITEM 8 – NEW BUSINESS

17. **Legal Memorandum: Incorrect Compact Language Citation** – ED Imai noted Chair Anastasio, Vice Chair Singleton, and Mr. Clymer reported on this item earlier in the meeting and the Tier Groups met and discussed the way forward. In sum, members understood the language must be fixed, however General Counsel recommended a rule be adopted in the interim to clarify the Compact



was intended to cover active duty (Title 10) national guard and reserve dependents. Some states have a technical amendment process in which the language could be corrected while in some states it may be a challenge. Vice Chair Singleton motioned the memorandum drafted by General Counsel should be disseminated to the Commission. The motion was seconded by Treasurer Henry. Motion carried.

(OPEN ITEM)

18. **MIC3 Awards** – Commissioner Gable motioned to approve State Service Awards be awarded to outgoing Commissioners Susan Haberstroh (DE) and Bruce Duplanty (AZ) for their service. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bullard. Both are resigning from their positions: Commissioner Haberstroh has served for 12 years and will retire from the Delaware Department of Education; and Commissioner Duplanty said Arizona has appointed his colleague to the seat. (OPEN ITEM)

19. **Rosemarie Kraeger** – ED Imai reported Commissioner Kraeger's spouse, James, recently passed away unexpectedly. The obituary noted in lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Joslin Diabetes Center at One Joslin Place, Suite 745 Boston, MA 02215. Commissioner Gable motioned to approve a \$100 memoriam donation be made in his name to the organization. The motion was seconded by Treasurer Brian Henry. Motion carried. (OPEN ITEM)

#### ITEM 9 – OTHER BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

20. **Successful Transition Video Program** – ED Imai reminded members about the program and submittals are due June 1.

21. **Upcoming Deadlines** – ED Imai reminded members to hold their state council meeting and submit their EOY reports by June 30<sup>th</sup>. She added promotions through Constant Contact would be disseminated to the Commission to remind them of the deadline.

#### ITEM 10 – ADJOURNMENT

22. Vice Chair Singleton motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ramos. With no further business to conduct, Chair Anastasio adjourned the meeting at 2:02 PM ET.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**Thursday, June 16, 2022**

PRESENT	Laura Anastasio Ernise Singleton Brian Henry John "Don" Kaminar Steve Bullard Chad Delbridge Mary Gable Shelly Ramos Dianna Ganote	Connecticut Commissioner Louisiana Commissioner Missouri Commissioner Arkansas Commissioner Kentucky Commissioner Wyoming Commissioner Maryland Commissioner Texas Commissioner Military Representative, USDOD	Chair Vice Chair Treasure & Finance Past Chair Compliance Comm & Outreach Rules Training Ex-Officio
STAFF	Cherise Imai Lindsey Dablow Stephanie Ramsey	Executive Director Training & Operations Assoc. Communications Associate	Secretary
EXCUSED	Lori Phipps Chuck Clymer	Director of Op, School Liaison Prog. Military Representative, USDOD	Dept of the Air Force Ex-Officio

**ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER**

- Chair Laura Anastasio called the meeting to order at 1:03 PM ET on Thursday, June 16, 2022.

**ITEM 2 – ROLL CALL**

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

**ITEM 3 – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

- Vice Chair Ernise Singleton (LA) motioned to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Chad Delbridge (WY). The motion carried.

**ITEM 4 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

- Treasurer Brian Henry (MO) motioned to approve the minutes from the May 16, 2022, meeting as presented, seconded by Commissioner Mary Gable (MD). The motion carried.

**ITEM 5 – EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- Commissioner Don Kaminar (AR) motioned to move into Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner Gable. The motion carried.
- Commissioner Singleton motioned to exit Executive Session, seconded by Treasurer Brian Henry. Motion carried.
- Chair Anastasio stated the staff salary increases approved for 4% on current salary, and 4% bonus. Staff thanked members for their generosity and support.

## ITEM 6 – REPORTS

8. **Chair** – Chair Anastasio reported she and staff were in Richmond, VA conducting site visits for the 2023 Annual Business Meeting. The results would be presented to the committee next month for additional decision making.
9. **Vice Chair** – Vice Chair Singleton deferred her report to the next meeting.
10. **Executive Director** – Training and Operations Associate, Lindsey Dablow, reported on recent trainings conducted by the Commission which has had favorable outcomes and additional training requests. ED Imai reported 12 reports were received to date, and reminders are scheduled in constant contact to remind members of the June 30th deadline.
11. **Finance** – Treasurer Henry reported on the status of the finances of the organization including the FY2022 dues; balance, and expenditures which were in alignment with 4<sup>th</sup> quarter projections. He noted some line items, such as General Counsel and legal expenses, are anticipated to be higher than projected. Additionally, he reported FY2023 dues invoices were distributed last month.
12. **Leadership Nomination** – Commissioner Kaminar reported the Committee met on May 16<sup>th</sup>. They finalized the electoral process timeline and documents, and the memorandum for applications was released earlier this month. The deadline to apply is July 5<sup>th</sup> COB Hawaii Time. He reminded members the committee had decided nominations from the floor would not be accepted this year; and a roll call would be utilized for the voting process.
13. **Rules** – Commissioner Gable reported the committee reviewed the proposed changes and asked for General Counsel for feedback. They will discuss their responses at their July 15<sup>th</sup> meeting.
14. **DOD Liaison** – Ms. Dianna Ganote reported the Department of Defense has service training planned at the MIC3 Annual Business Meeting, as was held in Cleveland previously. She noted she was attending the Military Child Education Coalition (MCEC) Global Summit event at the end of July, and they had a booth for school liaisons. She stated she is working on providing data on military connected kids to the national office.

## ITEM 7 – OLD BUSINESS

15. **Strategic Plan** – ED Imai reported Brian Riggs was drafting the summary from the Commissioner sessions. The next step is to finalize the strategies based on the additional feedback from members and identify tactics or actions items.
16. **California Case Sessions** – ED Imai reported General Counsel is drafting an update that would be provided to the committee via email.
17. **Rosemarie Kraeger** – ED Imai reported a memorial check was mailed to the organization and Commissioner Kraeger was sent a bereavement card and notification of the donation on behalf of her late husband.
18. **ABM 2022** – ED Imai reported the registration would be released next month and staff was working on the logistics. The committee would vote on the registration release next month.

19. **ABM 2023** – Training and Operations Associate Lindsey Dablow stated she would draft a matrix for the committee's consideration and review for the next meeting to determine the locale for the 2023 meeting in Virginia.

#### ITEM 8 – NEW BUSINESS

20. **Legal Advisory: Compact Accreditation** – ED Imai reported an inquiry was made by the Commissioner from Hawaii, Kathleen Berg and forwarded to General Counsel. The advisory was approved by the Rules Committee at their last meeting and is presented to the committee for final approval. Vice Chair Singleton motion to approve the memorandum, seconded by Commissioner Kaminar. The motion carried.

21. **State Legislative Reports** – ED Imai reported she is recommending ending the service contract with the Council of State Governments to provide the report, and she will secure a subscription to pull the data. She noted members appreciated the notification of proposed bills, and the number of bills were on the reports were less than anticipated. Members concurred.

22. **Awards** – Commissioner Gable motioned to approve community awards for Felicia Trumpler (FL); and Kiara Young (CSG) in recognition of their service and support of the commission. The motion was seconded by Treasurer Brian Henry. Motion carried.

#### ITEM 9 – OTHER BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

23. **Deadlines** – ED Imai reminded members council meetings and end-of-year reports are due by June 30.

24. **Webinars** – ED Imai reported the Compact 101 will be held on June 22 at 2:00pm ET. She encouraged members to disseminate the information as appropriate to stakeholders and staff.

#### ITEM 10 – ADJOURNMENT

25. Treasurer Brian Henry motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Delbridge. With no further business to conduct, Chair Anastasio adjourned the meeting at 2:02 PM ET.