

COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES
Tuesday, September 10, 2024
2:00 – 3:00 PM ET

PRESENT	Steven Bullard Daniel Dunham John Erickson Will Jones John “Don” Kaminar Michael Price Douglas Ragland Shelley Joan Weiss	Kentucky Commissioner Virginia Commissioner Designee Hawaii Commissioner Oklahoma Commissioner Arkansas Commissioner Michigan Commissioner Alabama Commissioner Wisconsin Commissioner	Chair
EXCUSED	John Price Ray Shaw Tom Porter	Illinois Commissioner Montana Commissioner Blue Star Families	Ex-officio
STAFF	Cherise Imai Lindsey Dablow Allie Thomas	Executive Director Training & Operations Associate Operations Coordinator	

ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER

1. The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM ET by Compliance Chair Steven Bullard (KY).

ITEM 2 – ROLL CALL

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

ITEM 3 – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

ITEM 4 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

4. **Commissioner Weiss motioned to approve the minutes from July 9, 2024, as presented. Commissioner Douglas Ragland (AL) seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

ITEM 5 – REPORTS

5. **Executive Committee (EXCOM)** – Chair Bullard reported the EXCOM met on August 29, 2024. Leadership reviewed the results of the Commission Survey performed by Educational Management Solutions (EMS), and EMS confirmed that the organizational assessment report would be finalized before the EXCOM met in September.

6. The EXCOM requested a recommendation from the Finance Committee regarding the format of future Annual Business Meetings (ABMs), whether they are held in person every other year with virtual

meetings in between, or strictly in person. The Finance Committee will poll the full Commission during the 2024 ABM.

7. The Finance Committee presented and the EXCOM approved the fiscal year (FY) 2026 Dues and FY26-FY30 Budget. These items will be voted on by the full Commission at ABM.

8. Rules Committee Chair Mary Gable (MD) reported that the Committee tabled Nevada's proposed Rule amendment to SEC 5.104 Placement Flexibility. The Committee will take a year to evaluate the effectiveness of legal advisory submitted by General Counsel, 1-2024 Scope of SEC 5.104 Placement Flexibility.

ITEM 6 – OLD BUSINESS

9. **FY24 State Compliance** – Chair Bullard reported there was one Commissioner vacancy after Training Committee Chair and Texas Commissioner Shelly Ramos resigned from the Commission. Ms. Ramos accepted a position with the Colorado Department of Education. The national office contacted the appointing authority and are working to fill the vacancy. The department intends to send a proxy to ABM if the position cannot be filled before then. New Hampshire Commissioner Kathleen Murphy accepted to serve as the interim Training Chair.

10. Executive Director Cherise Imai was directed to contact states with outstanding FY24 tasks at the Committee's meeting in July. Several states requested extensions, which were reflected in yellow on the FY24 State Compliance ring graphic.

ITEM 7 – NEW BUSINESS

11. **FY25 State Compliance** – Chair Bullard presented the FY25 State Compliance ring graphic. The first deadline for FY25 was January 31, 2025, for the state Commissioners to submit their Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest forms. New Commissioners appointed after January 31 were required to submit the forms within six weeks of their appointment. Chair Bullard reminded the members that the forms would be provided at the ABM to be completed while attending the meeting. The fillable forms were posted on mic3.net.

12. **FY2024 End-of-Year (EOY) Report Guide** – Chair Bullard announced the EOY Report Guide was available on the Commissioner page of mic3.net. Members were encouraged to review the guide and learn how each state supports military-connected children.

13. **EOY Report Amendments** – Chair Bullard reported the Committee had approved the amended EOY Report in July and presented a draft of how the online form would appear on mic3.net for those submitting their reports. Commissioner Weiss asked how the data and analysis would be collected and who was going to be viewing that information. Chair Bullard responded that he would forward those questions to ED Imai later for further explanation. Commissioner Ragland asked if states could still create their own reports and submit the document by email to the national office. ED Imai responded that Commissioners could still submit their EOY Reports that way for now.

14. **ABM Presentation** – Ms. Dablow introduced a draft of the Committee's presentation to be given at the ABM. She explained that all mistakes found would be corrected and the graphics would be updated closer to the meeting. Commissioner Weiss commended the national office for the presentation design and the graphics that were created for the Committee.

15. **Commissioner Will Jones (OK) motioned to approve the Committee's ABM Presentation. Commissioner John Erickson (HI) seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

16. **Expectations for Commissioners Participation and Engagement at the Annual Business Meeting (ABM) and Standing Committee Meetings Memo** – Chair Bullard introduced the memo that the Compliance Committee releases annually prior to the ABM that provides guidance and additional information related to their role during the meeting. The memo was updated to include 2024 information. Chair Bullard stated new commissioners provided feedback and said the memo helped them prepare for the meeting.

17. **Commissioner Michael Price (MI) motioned to approve the Expectation for Commissioners Participation and Engagement at the Annual Business Meeting (ABM) and Standing Committee Meetings Memo. Commissioner Weiss seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

18. Commissioner Ragland asked if a member leaving early from the ABM would reflect negatively on them or their state. Chair Bullard responded that it would not reflect on the state or Commissioner and the Commission understood that some people were required to leave the meeting early to depart for the airport.

ITEM 8 – OTHER BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

19. **Items for the Executive Committee (EXCOM)** – There were no items for the EXCOM.

20. **2024 ABM** – Chair Bullard reminded members to register for the ABM if they had not done so already and to reserve their hotel rooms before the block closed on September 13, 2024. Members were encouraged to contact Operations Coordinator Allie Thomas if they had questions or needed assistance with their ABM reservations or registrations.

21. Chair Bullard answered questions regarding the ABM that Commissioner Weiss provided prior to the meeting. The first question asked when the pre-event webinars would be available online. Chair Bullard responded that the webinars were already available on the 2024 ABM page on mic3.net and stated most were pre-recorded in 2023. The second question asked when Commissioners would be informed of the Finance Committee's decision regarding the format of future ABMs. Chair Bullard responded that the Finance Committee planned to survey the full Commission at the ABM and they will then make the decision after evaluating the responses. He shared that the 2025 ABM would be held in-person in Indianapolis, Indiana with sponsorship from Ex-officio member National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS). This sponsorship helped to reduce many ABM expenses and lowered the full meeting cost by almost half.

22. Commissioner Price asked if the approved FY26-FY30 budget would change if the format of the ABM alternated during those years. ED Imai responded that the budget could be recalculated and reapproved depending on the ABM format each year.

23. **Compact 101 Training** – Chair Bullard provided the remaining Compact 101 Training dates for the year and encouraged members to promote the sessions and MIC3 Training Portal with their State Council members and stakeholders.

ITEM 9 – ADJOURNMENT

24. With no further business to conduct, Chair Bullard adjourned the meeting at 2:51 PM ET with no motion needed.