Counseling Compact Executive Committee Meeting

August 7, 2024, 1:00 p.m. ET

Committee Members Present

Jamie Doming
Andrea Brooks
Latofia Parker
Kim Speakman
Ashleigh Irving
Denauvo Robinson

Committee Members Absent

Brian Carnahan

Ex-Officio Committee Members Present

Kylie Dotson-Blake, NBCC Lynn Linde, ACA Matt Grayson, AASCB

Ex-Officio Committee Members Absent

Beverly Smith, AMHCA

Legal Counsel Present

Nahale Kalfas

CCC Staff Present

Greg Searls

CSG Staff Present

Isabel Eliassen

5 Public Members were present.

Welcome & Call to Order

• J. Doming called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. ET.

Roll Call

• G. Searls called the roll. A quorum was established with six of seven voting members present during the roll call.

Review and Adoption of the Agenda

- J. Doming reviewed the agenda and recommended amending it to add the discussion about committee chairs for the Rules and Compliance Committees.
- Motion: K. Speakman_ made a motion to adopt the agenda with amendments. D.
 Robinson seconded the motion. All committee members present voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Review and Adoption Minutes

- J. Doming reviewed the minutes and asked if any changes were needed.
- Hearing none, J. Doming called for a motion to adopt the minutes.
- **Motion**: A. Brooks made a motion to adopt the minutes D. Robinson seconded the motion. All committee members present voted in favor, and the motion was carried.

Database and Website Build Updates

- I. Eliassen provided an update on the development of the data system.
- The data system has been named Compact Connect. All updates on the data system, including milestones, demos, and eventually videos and training modules are accessible on the Compact Connect website, which can be found at https://compactconnect.org/
- I. Eliassen reported that CSG (Council for State Government), has contributed \$150,000 towards the data system. After CSG completes its final payment to Inspiring Apps, the three compact commissions will begin paying their individual portion of the fees for the data system.

Full Commission Meeting

- The commission discussed the in-person full commission meeting. The committee
 discussed the advantages and disadvantages of co-locating the meeting at the American
 Association of State Counseling Boards (AASCB) in February 2025 or the National Board
 for Certified Counselors (NBCC) Regulatory Summitt in June 2025.
- After deliberations, the committee decided to co-locate the in-person full commission meeting with the AASCB.
- J. Doming called for a motion to have the in-person full commission meeting on February 12, 2025. K. Speakman made the motion. A. Irving seconded the motion. All committee members present voted in favor, and the motion was carried.

Financial FAQ Review

- K. Speakman, treasurer for the Compact, reviewed two documents that she developed in collaboration with G. Searls and N. Kalfas, Financial FAQ for Counselors and Financial FAQ for State Boards
- The Financial FAQ for Counselors outlines frequently asked financial questions with answers that professional counselors might have about applying for privileges to practice.
- The *Financial FAQ for State Boards* outlines frequently asked financial questions with answers that state counseling boards might have about issuing privileges to practice.

- After discussion about the two documents, the committee decided to post the documents on the Compact Commission website with a disclaimer that the FAQ documents are subject to change.
- A. Brooks motioned to approve posting the FAQ documents to the website. The motion included giving the finance chair and legal counsel permission to add a "subject to change" disclaimer on the documents. A. Irving seconded the motion. All committee members present voted in favor, and the motion was carried.

Executive Director Update

G. Searls provided an update on the number of emails, calls, and website inquiries he
has received in the past month. He reported that he will do a virtual presentation for
Tennessee. He reported that he is working with CAMS to conduct interviews for a
project coordinator position that CAMS will hire and pay out of their secretariat fees.

Rules Committee Chair Discussion

- A. Brooks gave an update on the Rules Committee. The Rules Committee voted to nominate A. Brooks as the Chair.
- K. Speakman made the motion for the Executive Committee to make an exemption to allow A. Brooks to serve as Chair of the Rules Committee. L. Parker seconded the motion. All committee members present voted in favor, and the motion was carried.

Compliance Committee Chair Discussion

- G. Searls gave an update on the Compliance Committee. He reported that the
 committee met but didn't have a quorum for a full meeting. Among the voting members
 present J. Fredman, Commissioner from Oklahoma expressed interest in serving as the
 chair of the Compliance Committee.
- The Executive Committee recommended J. Fredman for interim chair of the Compliance Committee.
- A. Brooks made the motion to approve J. Fredman as interim chair of the Compliance Committee and requested he provide documentation on his experience with compliance to the Executive Committee for further consideration. D. Robinson seconded the motion. All committee members present voted in favor, and the motion was carried.

Questions and Comments

- J. Doming asked if there were further questions from delegates or comments from the public.
- Eric Groh asked about the technology build issues and it was clarified by N. Kalfas that the commission will own the system in conjunction with the other two compacts and not just have a license to use it. He also asked about the scope of practice which is under the jurisdiction of the individual state and not the compact. His final question was on which page of the website was being visited most often and G. Searls replied he doesn't get that in-depth of analytics to answer the questions.

Adjourn

- Hearing no further questions, and having completed all the agenda items, J. Doming declared the meeting adjourned.
- The meeting was adjourned at 2:13 p.m. EST.