

**The Compact Commission for the Compact for a Balanced Budget
Meeting Minutes, Resolutions and Certification**

Date of meeting: Wednesday, March 25, 2016
Time of meeting: 9:30 am CT
Location of meeting: Teleconference
In attendance: Commissioner Paulette Rakestraw from Georgia, Chair
Commissioner Mead Treadwell from Alaska, Vice Chair/Chair
Elect
Chip DeMoss – Compact for America Educational Foundation –
Compact Administrator
Nick Dranias – Compact for America Educational Foundation –
Compact Administrator

Agenda Item:

Meeting called to order by Chair Rakestraw with all members of the Commission requesting the emergency meeting and all members of the Commission waiving the 24-hour meeting notice provision.

1. Resolution to accept Appointment of Speaker Pro Tem Gregory Snowden as Mississippi Commissioner.

Motion: Treadwell
Second: Rakestraw
Vote:
Aye: Treadwell, Rakestraw
Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Snowden
Disposition: Passed

2. Resolution to approve proposed amendments to Commission Bylaws (attached).

Motion: Treadwell
Second: Rakestraw
Vote:
Aye: Treadwell, Rakestraw
Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Snowden
Disposition: Passed

3. Resolution to adjourn meeting.

Motion: Rakestraw
Second: Treadwell
Vote:

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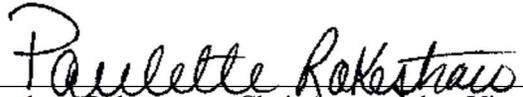
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Aye:	Treadwell, Rakestraw
Nay:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Snowden
Disposition:	Passed

Certification of Minutes:

3/25/2016

Effective Date – Approved 8/29/2017



Paulette Rakestraw – Chair (approved as Vice Chair)

AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VI - ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Section 5. Establishment of Advisory Committee. The Advisory Committee is an advisory body, which includes the Member State Advisory Committee, the Provisional Member Committee, the Federal Advisory Committee, and the Civic Advisory Committee, and such other sub-committees as may be created within the Advisory Committee by the from time to time, officially recognized by the Commission; it has no implied power or authority to act on behalf of the Commission. All references to the “Advisory Committee” throughout these bylaws shall be regarded as inclusive of such sub-committees of the Advisory Committee. All references to the members of the Advisory Committee throughout these bylaws shall be regarded as inclusive of the members of such sub-committees of the Advisory Committee. The Commission may establish Advisory Committee annual fees to assist with the ongoing funding of the Commission and the Advisory Committee. Such fees may be modified or adjusted at the discretion of the Commission.

Section 6. General Function of Advisory Committee. The sole function of the Advisory Committee and its members shall be to advise and make non-binding recommendations to the Commission with respect to matters within the areas of their respective experience and expertise. In rendering advice to the Commission, the Advisory Committee shall have no obligation to conduct any individual research or investigation and shall be entitled to rely solely and exclusively upon the facts and information available to it at the time of the making of its recommendations, including, but not limited to, such facts and information as may be provided to the Advisory Committee by the Commission. The Commission shall have no obligation to adopt, or otherwise be bound to act upon, any recommendation of the Advisory Committee, but shall, in its sole and absolute discretion, have the ability to take the Advisory Committee’s recommendations under advisement. By accepting appointment and furnishing such advice, the members of the Advisory Committee do not thereby become employees, agents, fiduciaries, managers, officers, directors or principals of the Commission; members of the Advisory Committee may only perform or assume additional roles or obligations pursuant to separate written agreement with the Commission. However, members of the Advisory Committee shall keep all communications relating to their advisory role confidential from third parties unless such confidentiality is expressly waived in writing by the Commission.

Section 7. Membership of Advisory Committee. The Commission shall determine the number of members of the Advisory Committee and shall appoint such members. Members of the Advisory Committee serve at the pleasure of the Commission from the date they are appointed or until their earlier resignation, removal by the Commission, or death. The Commission shall have the authority, in its sole and absolute discretion, to remove any member of the Advisory Committee at any time for any reason.

Section 8. Qualifying Expertise of Members of Advisory Committee. Subcommittees of the Advisory Committee also have their own unique eligibility requirements as specified below; however, for any individual to qualify to be appointed to the Advisory Committee they must possess expertise in one or more of the following fields:

- (a) State legislatures, governors and state legislators

- (b) U.S. Congress, members of Congress
- (c) The state legislative process
- (d) The federal legislative process
- (e) Nationwide fundraising
- (f) Constitutional law
- (g) Non-profit law
- (h) American history
- (i) Grass-roots engagement
- (j) Grass-roots education
- (k) Nationwide coalition building
- (l) Social media outreach
- (m) Chamber of commerce and business community involvement

Section 9. Advisory Committee Action. The Advisory Committee shall act only upon formal or informal request of the Commission. The sole responsibility of the members of the Advisory Committee shall be to make recommendations to the Commission as to matters within the areas of their experience and expertise. The Commission may request that the Advisory Committee confirm such advice and counsel to fellow Advisory Committee members, staff members, state and federal government officials, key funding sources, national leaders, and key strategic partners. In addition, the Commission may request attendance of Advisory Committee members at key meetings that may occur at various locations throughout the nation as the Compact for a Balanced Budget is advanced.

Section 10. Compensation and Expense Reimbursements of Advisory Committee. The members of the Advisory Committee may receive such compensation for services in such capacities as the Commission of the Commission in its sole and absolute discretion shall deem proper; however, the Commission shall pay only reasonable compensation based on a consideration of comparable market rates and only pursuant to written agreement with the Commission. The members of the Advisory Committee shall be entitled to reimbursement from the Commission for all reasonable expenses incurred by them in connection with their Advisory Committee services upon the presentation to the Commission of written documentation for such expenses. However, expenses reasonably anticipated by members of the Advisory Committee to exceed \$1,000 separately or, if directly related, in the aggregate shall only be reimbursed by the Commission upon review and prior approval by the Commission.

Section 11. Liability of Advisory Committee. Unless a different understanding is expressly reached by separate, written agreement with the Commission, the members of the Advisory Committee shall have no liability or obligations whatsoever for any actions or omissions taken by them solely in their capacities as such. Any member of the Advisory Committee made, or threatened to be made, a party to any threatened, pending, or contemplated action or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative, arising out of or related to such member's service on the Advisory Committee, shall be indemnified by the Commission, and the Commission may advance to such member related expenses incurred in defense of such action, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law (including, but not limited to, under the applicable laws of

the State of Texas). For purposes hereof, “member” shall include such member's heirs and personal representatives. The Commission acknowledges that the foregoing indemnification is a material inducement to the members of the Advisory Committee to serve in their capacities as such, and that such members would not agree to serve on the Advisory Committee in the absence of the foregoing indemnification.

Section 12. Member State Advisory Committee. The Member State Advisory Committee shall consist of appointees who represent either executive or legislative leadership in Member States that have joined the Compact for a Balanced Budget, but which do not have Commissioner representation on the Commission. The Commission shall give each Member State representative on the Member State Advisory Committee electronic notice of meetings of the Commission and shall allow such representatives to participate in such meetings in their advisory capacity subject to such limitations as the Commission may impose during the meeting.

Section 13. Provisional Member Committee. The Provisional Member Committee shall consist of appointees who represent either executive or legislative leadership in States that have not joined the Compact for a Balanced Budget. The Commission may give each State representative on the Provisional Member Committee electronic notice of meetings of the Commission and may allow such representatives to participate in such meetings in their advisory capacity subject to such limitations as the Commission may impose during the meeting.

Section 14. Federal Advisory Committee. The Federal Advisory Committee shall consist of appointees who represent either executive or legislative leadership in the federal government. The Commission may give each representative on the Federal Advisory Committee electronic notice of meetings of the Commission and may allow such representatives to participate in such meetings in their advisory capacity subject to such limitations as the Commission may impose during the meeting.

Section 15. Civic Advisory Committee. The Civic Advisory Committee shall consist of appointees who are civic or business leaders in their community, state or nationally. The Commission may give each member of the Civic Advisory Committee electronic notice of meetings of the Commission and may allow such representatives to participate in such meetings in their advisory capacity subject to such limitations as the Commission may impose during the meeting.