



NATIONAL COMMISSION ON MILITARY, NATIONAL, AND PUBLIC SERVICE

Public Minutes of April 2018 Commission Meeting

The National Commission on Military, National, and Public Service (the Commission) held a meeting on April 19-20, 2018, in Denver, CO. Portions of the meeting concerned organizational and other pre-decisional and deliberative matters and were closed to the public pursuant to Public Law 114-328, section 554(b)(3).

Attendance

Commissioners present:

- Mr. Edward T. Allard III
- Mr. Steve Barney
- The Honorable Janine Davidson
- Ms. Avril Haines (4/20 only)
- The Honorable Dr. Joseph Heck
- Ms. Jeanette James
- Mr. Alan Khazei
- Mr. Thomas Kilgannon
- Ms. Shawn Skelly
- The Honorable Debra Wada

Commissioners absent:

- The Honorable Mark Gearan

Others present:

- Kent Abernathy, Executive Director
- Jill Rough, Director of Research and Analysis
- Keri Lowry, Director of Governmental and Public Engagement
- Paul Lekas, General Counsel
- Peter Morgan, Deputy Director of Operations (present for portions)
- Amy Schafer, Military Propensity Research Team Lead
- Judson Crane, Selective Service Research Team Lead
- John Lira, National Service Research Team Lead

- Sandy Scott, on detail from the Corporation for National and Community Service

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Discussion with Colorado Service Leaders

From 0800-0900 MT, Commissioners held a stakeholder meeting with leaders from the Colorado service community. The meeting occurred at the Colorado Governor's Mansion Carriage House in Denver, Co. In addition to Commissioners and staff, the following individuals attended:

- Donna Lynne, Lieutenant Governor and Chief Operating Officer, State of Colorado
- Mickey Hunt, Deputy Executive Director, Colorado Department of Military and Veterans Affairs
- Colonel Scott Sherman, Chief of the Joint Staff, Colorado National Guard
- Fred Jarman, Garfield Deputy County Manager and former Serve Colorado Commissioner
- Ernest House, Executive Director, Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs
- Ken Goodson, Southwest Region Director, AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps
- Dan Dunlap, State Program Director, Corporation for National and Community Service
- Antonio Mendez, Executive Director, Serve Colorado, The Governor's Commission on Community Service
- Patrick Meyers, Chief of Staff to Governor Hickenlooper

An account of this meeting is set forth in a separate memorandum for the record (MFR).

Business Meeting

From 0900-0945 MT, the Commission held a business meeting. The Chairman closed this business meeting to the public pursuant to Public Law 114-328, section 554(b)(3), because pre-decisional and organizational matters would be deliberated.

Mr. Abernathy briefed the Commission on staff developments. He provided an update on personnel, facilities, the travel system, and information technology. He provided updates on research and engagement plans. He then reviewed the Denver agenda with Commissioners.

Following Mr. Abernathy's briefing, Chairman Heck moved to approve minutes from the March 2018 Commission meeting. The Commission voted unanimously to approve the March 2018 minutes.

Chairman Heck then requested comments on the proposed amendment to the Commission's business rules. No Commissioner raised any question or concern. Chairman Heck moved to approve the amended business rules and the Commission voted unanimously to do so.

In response to a question from Mr. Allard, Mr. Lekas notified Commissioners of a new Federal Register filing that would extend the deadline to respond to the Commission's request for information to September 30, 2018.

Discussion with Students, Teachers, and Administrators of North High School

From 1030-1230 MT, Commissioners held stakeholders meeting with students, teachers, and administrators of North High School in Denver, CO. The meeting occurred at North High School and occurred in two sessions: first with students, and second with teachers, counselors, and administrators. An account of this meeting is set forth in a separate MFR.

Work Group Deliberations

From 1345-1445 MT, Commissioners met in Work Groups to deliberate issues concerning the matters within the scope of their respective Work Groups. Accounts of these sessions are set forth in internal MFRs.

Public Meeting at Denver Museum of Nature and Science

From 1500-1700, the Commission held a public meeting at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science. An audio recording of the public meeting will be available on the Commission website.

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Work Group Deliberation

From 0720-0800 MT, members of the Commission's Ends, Ways, and Means Work Group met to deliberate issues concerning the matters within the scope of the Work Group. An account of this session is set forth in an internal MFR.

Discussions at the U.S. Air Force Academy

Commissioners Haines, James, Khazei, and Kilgannon, accompanied by staff, traveled to the U.S. Air Force Academy (USAFA) in Colorado Springs, CO, for discussions with USAFA staff and cadets. The sessions lasted from approximately 0930-1230 MT. Accounts of these sessions are set forth in a separate MFR.

Discussion with Civilian Conservation Corps Leaders and Members

From approximately 0900-1100 MT, Commissioners Heck, Wada, Davidson, Barney, Skelly, and Allard held meetings with leaders and members of the Conservation Corps in Denver, CO. Accounts of these sessions are set forth in separate MFRs.

Discussion with Federal Employees

From approximately 1230-1400 MT, Commissioners Heck, Wada, Davidson, Barney, Skelly, and Allard held a meeting with recently hired federal government employees at the Denver Federal Center. An account of this meeting is set forth in a separate MFR.

Executive Session

From 1445-1520 MT, Commissioners convened an executive session outside the presence of staff.

Business Meeting and Review of Trip

Beginning at 1525 MT, Commissioners and staff reconvened to recap the visit to Denver and discuss issues involving future Commission events. The Chairman closed this meeting to the public pursuant to Public Law 114-328, section 554(b)(3), because pre-decisional and organizational matters would be deliberated.

Prepared by Paul Lekas, General Counsel

Adopted by the Commission on May 11, 2018