

Counseling Compact Executive Committee Meeting

July 2, 2025, 1:00 p.m. ET

Committee Members Present

Kim Speakman, Chair
Andrea Brooks
Tobi Zavala
Denauvo Robinson
Brian Carnahan

Committee Members Absent

Carol Staben Burroughs

Ex-Officio Committee Members Present

Kylie Dotson-Blake, NBCC
Lynn Linde, ACA
Beverly Smith Moore, AMHCA

Ex-Officio Committee Members Absent

Matt Grayson, AASCB

Legal Counsel Present

Nahale Kalfas

CSG Staff Present

Isabel Eliassen

CAMS Staff Present

Greg Searls
Julie Winsor

InspiringApps Staff Present

Brad Weber
Stacy Griffin

Public Members Present

N/A

Welcome & Call to Order

- K. Speakman called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m. ET.

Roll Call

- Director Searls conducted the roll call. Absences were as listed above. A quorum was established with 5 of 6 voting members present.

Review and Adoption of the Agenda

- K. Speakman reviewed the agenda and asked if changes were needed.
- Hearing none, K. Speakman called for a motion to adopt the agenda.
- Motion: B. Carnahan motioned to adopt the agenda with the waiver. D. Robinson seconded the motion. All committee members present voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Review and Adoption of Minutes

- April Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
 - K. Speakman asked if everyone had reviewed the minutes.
 - K. Speakman called for a motion to adopt the minutes.
 - Motion: B. Carnahan motioned to adopt the minutes. D. Robinson seconded the motion. All committee members present voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Ex-Officio Updates

- NBCC – D. Dotson-Blake shared that the regulatory summit was a success and has received fantastic feedback, particularly on the compact database.
- ACA – L. Linde shared that an interim CEO, Syvonne Carter. She will remain in that role for 6 months to a year and a half, depending on how long it takes the search committee to find a permanent CEO. Additionally, she shared they had a governing council meeting where they affirmed a change in governance. The change is significant, as they are moving to a governing board that will consist of 11 members at large from the association, and the treasurer will become an elected position. In 75 years of the ACA's history, this has been a significant governance change.
- AMHCA – B. Smith-Moore shared they had their successful annual conference and thanked G. Searls for attending and answering questions on the compact. Plans for future conferences and events were discussed, with dates to be shared once finalized.

Data System Update

- I. Eliassen shared that they appreciated being at the summit and found it useful to hear feedback on the system as well as learn about the profession. By allowing individuals to demo buying privileges, they learned there are a few changes they would like to make to the system. She also shared that adverse actions have been added to the system. She explained the next step is beta testing for states that are using the API.

Trademark and Licensing Updates

- N. Kalfas will be reviewing the draft services agreement for the trademark application. She will bring the open source license memo to the next Executive Committee meeting in August.

Committee Appointments

- Motion: A. Brooks motioned to appoint J. Moore as the vice chair of the rules committee. T. Zavala seconded the motion. All committee members present voted in favor, and the motion carried.
- K. Speakman reminded the committee that we need more volunteers for committees.

Finance Committee Updates

- B. Carnahan presented a budget for the upcoming fiscal year, projecting revenue from privileges and emphasizing the need for continued support from partner organizations.
- Motion: T. Zavala motioned to approve the fiscal year 26 budget. D. Robinson seconded the motion. All committee members present voted in favor, and the motion carried.
- B. Carnahan thanked G. Searls for his input and work.

Rule on Data Set Requirements Amendments

- A. Brooks discussed potential changes to the data set rule regarding social security numbers and NPI numbers as personal identifiers. N. Kalfas discussed other proposed changes to the rule.
- Motion: D. Robinson motioned to approve the proposed changes to the data set rule requirements. B. Carnahan seconded the motion. All committee members present voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Executive Director Update

- G. Searls presented updates about his travel, presentations, and workload. He explained that emails and phones have picked up quite a bit. He shared that CLEAR had made a job offer for a project coordinator who will begin on July 8th. Additionally, he shared Go Live is around the corner, and he is excited.

Questions and Comments

- K. Speakman asked if there were further questions from delegates or comments from the public.

Adjourn

- Hearing no further questions and having completed all of the agenda items, K. Speakman declared the meeting adjourned.
- The meeting was adjourned at 1:57 p.m. ET.