



Counseling Compact Executive Committee Meeting

March 4, 2026, 1:00 p.m. ET

Committee Members Present

Kim Speakman, Chair
Dr. Denauvo Robinson
Brian Carnahan
Tony Onorato
Tobi Zavala
Carol Staben Burroughs, out at 2:10 p.m.

Committee Members Absent

Ex-Officio Committee Members Present

Dr. Lynn Linde, ACA
Dr. Kylie Dotson-Blake, NBCC
Matt Grayson, AASCB
Shannon Thompson, AMHCA

Ex-Officio Committee Members Absent

Legal Counsel Present

Nahale Kalfas

CSG and InspiringApps Staff Present

Brad Weber
Stacy Griffin
Isabel Eliassen

CAMS Staff Present

Greg Searls
Michelle Lynch
Jodie Markey
Adam Parfitt

Members of the Public Were Present

Welcome & Call to Order

- Chair 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 6 of 6 voting members present.

Review and Adoption of the Agenda

- Chair Speakman reviewed the agenda and asked if there was any discussion. Hearing none, Chair Speakman called for a motion to adopt the agenda as presented.
- **Motion:** Secretary Zavala made a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Treasurer Carnahan seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Review and Adoption of Minutes

- Chair Speakman invited members to share any edits to the February meeting minutes. Hearing none, Chair Speakman called for a motion to adopt the minutes for the February meeting.
- **Motion:** Dr. Robinson made the motion to approve the February minutes. C. Staben Burroughs seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Ex-Officio Updates

- **NBCC (Dr. Dotson-Blake):** Really enjoyed AASCB Conference, excited for the PCLC to meet again at the ACA conference.
- **ACA (Dr. Linde):** AASCB conference was great, got a lot out of it.
- **AASCB (M. Grayson):** Webinar tomorrow for AASCB members, in the middle of the board election, planning Fall virtual workshop for late September. The member hangout is on the last Friday of the month.
- **AMHCA (S. Thompson):** Enjoyed the AASCB conference. The board has extended elections period to encourage more candidates.

CompactConnect/ Go Live Update- I. Eliassen

- I. Eliassen shared that there are no major updates to the development work because the features are complete, so she will not report on new features moving forward.

Trademark and Licensing Updates

- Legal Counsel Kalfas explained that CSG is still reviewing the Member Services Agreement and the Governance Document.

Finance Committee Updates

- None since last week.

Committee Appointments

- Director Searls shared that there were two requests to join committees:
 - Laura Shaunassey requested to join the Communications Committee

- Gerard Lawson requested to join the Rules Committee.
- **Motion:** T. Onorato moved to approve the appointments above. Treasurer Carnahan seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Committee Needs & Outreach

- Communications committee- needs 7-9 members
- Elections- needs 5-7 more members

Annual Business Meeting Debrief

- The committee discussed how the annual business meeting went.
- In terms of what could be improved for next year, the committee noted that the snack station didn't have plates initially, the owl camera didn't track well, and the roll call votes felt overly time-consuming.
- Committee members agreed that overall, things went very well, the new layout was well received, and there were very few glitches.

Gift Discussion

- At the annual business meeting, Executive Committee members whose term ended in the last year were presented with Certificates of Appreciation. Chair Speakman asked the executive committee if the certificates seemed sufficient or if an additional gift should be presented.
- The committee discussed and agreed that a certificate was sufficient.

Secretariat Contract

- Director Searls explained that information about CAMS secretariat services was provided prior to the meeting, and CAMS leadership were present to answer questions.
- The committee agreed that the discussion of whether to extend the CAMS secretariat contract by one year should be held in a closed session. Legal Counsel Kalfas certified the committee to go into closed session, citing 9E.b.d. in the model language. The committee went into closed session at approximately 1:27 p.m. and returned at approximately 1:46 p.m.
- Upon returning from closed session, Chair Speakman called for a motion to extend the CAMS secretariat contract by one year.
- **Motion:** T. Onorato made the motion to extend the CAMS secretariat contract by one year. Secretary Zavala seconded the motion. Chair Speakman called for any further discussion. Hearing none, the committee voted. The motion carried unanimously.

Communication response to insurance issues and lack of recognition of privilege

- Director Searls explained that members of the public have expressed frustration that insurance companies and some online platforms do not recognize the Privilege to Practice.
- Legal Counsel Kalfas shared that the Council of State Governments holds a monthly meeting with all occupational interstate licensure compact commissions' executive directors, and this will be the primary topic of discussion.
- The committee agreed to revisit this topic again next month.

Supervision Experience Rule

- Rules Chair Smith reviewed the proposed rule on supervision. The Rules Committee decided to adopt a qualitative rule, emphasizing the home state's determination of eligibility.
- **Motion:** Treasurer Carnahan made the motion to approve the rule for public comment. T. Onorato seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Discuss the Rules Committee's request to be charged with Bylaw revision

- The Rules Committee requested being charged with a bylaw revision to address committee involvement and attendance.
- **Motion:** Dr. Robinson made the motion to charge the Rules Committee to revise the bylaws to ensure involvement in each of our member states and attendance. T. Onorato seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Questions and Comments

- Chair Speakman invited questions and comments from those in attendance.
- Dr. Brooks inquired about looking at revising the bylaws to allow alternate delegates to serve on the executive committee. Legal Counsel Kalfas will research whether that is a possibility.
- No further questions or comments were raised by committee members or the public.

Adjourn

- Hearing no further questions and having completed all the agenda items, Chair Speakman declared the meeting adjourned.
- The meeting was adjourned at 2:16 p.m. ET