



## **NATIONAL COMMISSION ON MILITARY, NATIONAL, AND PUBLIC SERVICE**

### **Public Minutes of June 2019 Commission Meeting**

The National Commission on Military, National, and Public Service (the Commission) held a meeting on June 19-21, 2019, in Hyde Park, NY. Portions of this 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 Allard
- Mr. Steve Barney
- The Honorable Dr. Janine Davidson
- The Honorable Mark Gearan
- The Honorable Avril Haines
- The Honorable Dr. Joseph Heck
- Ms. Jeanette James
- Mr. Alan Khazei
- Mr. Thomas Kilgannon
- Ms. Shawn Skelly
- The Honorable Debra Wada (also serving as Acting Executive Director)

Staff present:

- Paul Lekas, General Counsel
- Jill Rough, Director of Research and Analysis
- Peter Morgan, Director of Operations
- Other Commission staff

**June 19, 2019**

**Business Meeting and Commission Deliberation**

The Commission convened at the FDR Presidential Library and Museum in Hyde Park, NY, at 0807 ET. All Commissioners were present. Chairman Heck moved to close this and other business meetings to occur on June 19-21, 2019, because pre-decisional and organizational matters would be deliberated. The Commission voted unanimously to close the business meetings. Chairman Heck moved to approve minutes from the May 2019 Commission meeting. The Commission voted unanimously to approve the May 2019 minutes with minor clarifications and technical edits. Chairman Heck, assisted by staff, then reviewed the agenda for the three days in Hyde Park.

From 0830-1045 ET and again from 1415 to 1635 ET, the Commission deliberated on policy recommendations under consideration, plans for voting on policy recommendations, and thematic consideration for the final report. From 1045 to 1255 ET, the Commission and staff discussed external relations efforts for the remainder of 2019 and into 2020, including plans for releasing the final report in March 2020.

**June 20, 2019**

**Business Meeting**

The Commission convened at the FDR Library in Hyde Park, NY, at 0800 ET with all Commissioners present. Mr. Lekas and Ms. Rough briefed the Commission on the day's public hearings. The meeting ended at 0835 ET.

**Public Hearing: Civic Education and Service in Schools**

From 0900 to 1200 ET, Commissioners held a public hearing titled Creating an Expectation of Service Hearing: Civic Education and Service in Schools. Panelists included Derek Black, a Professor at the University of South Carolina School of Law; Annie Hsiao, the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Discretionary Grants and Support Services in the Office of Elementary and Secondary Education at the U.S. Department of Education; Dr. Kei Kawashima-Ginsberg, the Director of the Center for Information and Research on Civic Learning and Engagement at Tufts University; Ananya Singh, the Youth Advisory Council Mentor of the National Youth Leadership Council; and Alhassan Susso, the 2019 New York State Teacher of the Year and a faculty member at International Community High School. A live stream of the hearing is available on the Commission's Facebook and YouTube pages.

**Public Hearing: An Infrastructure to Serve America**

From 1300 to 1600 ET, Commissioners held a public hearing titled Creating an Expectation of Service: An Infrastructure to Serve America. Panelists included Brigadier General Derin Durham, the Deputy Commander of Air Force Recruiting Service; Dr. Ben Ho, an Associate Professor of Economics at Vassar College; Dr. Dorothy Stoneman, the Founder and former CEO of YouthBuild USA, Inc.; and Dr. Drew Train, Co-Founder and President of OBERLAND; and

Dakota Wood, a Senior Research Fellow for Defense Programs at the Center for National Defense. A live stream of the hearing is available on the Commission's Facebook and YouTube pages.

**June 21, 2019**

**Business Meeting and Commission Deliberation**

From 0800 to 1130 ET and again from 1215 to 1245 ET, the Commission deliberated on issues raised in the prior day's public hearings and deliberated on policy recommendations the Commission is considering. From 1130 to 1215 ET, the Commission discussed plans for releasing the final report in March 2020.

**Executive Session**

From 1245 to 1300 ET, Commissioners held an executive session outside the presence of staff, after which they concluded the Commission's June meeting.

Prepared by Paul Lekas, General Counsel

Adopted by the Commission on July 15, 2019