WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §5-26A-3

§5-26A-3. Members.

(a) The West Virginia commission for national and community service shall have no fewer than fifteen and no more than twenty-five voting members to be appointed by the Governor.

(b) The voting membership of the West Virginia commission for national and community service shall include:

(1) At least one individual with expertise in the educational and developmental needs of the state's disadvantaged youth;

(2) At least one individual with experience in promoting the involvement of older adults in national or community service and volunteer programs;

(3) A representative of a community-based agency operating within the state;

(4) The State Superintendent of Schools or a designee;

(5) A representative of a county or municipal government;

(6) A representative of a local labor organization;

(7) A representative of a for-profit business operating within the state;

(8) An individual whose age is between the age of sixteen years and twenty-five years, inclusive, who has been, or remains, a participant or a supervisor in a volunteer or service program; and

(9) A representative of an arts or crafts organization.

(c) The membership of the West Virginia Commission for National and Community Service shall include a representative of the corporation for national and community service who shall serve as a member in a nonvoting, ex officio capacity.

(d) No more than twenty-five percent of the voting membership of the West Virginia commission for national and community service may be individuals who are employed by the state or its agencies, except that the membership may include additional employees of the state or its agencies in a nonvoting, ex officio capacity.

(e) No member of the West Virginia Commission for National and Community Service may vote on an issue affecting organizations for which the member has served as a staff person or as a volunteer at any time during the twelve-month period before the member's

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appointment to the commission.

(f) No more than fifty percent plus one of the members of the West Virginia Commission for National and Community Service may be members of the same political party.

(g) To the extent possible, the membership of the West Virginia Commission for National and Community Service shall reflect the diversity of the state's population.

(h) Members of the West Virginia Commission for National and Community Service who were appointed under the executive order of the Governor entered on January 28, 1994, shall continue as members of the commission for a term of three years, except that the Governor shall designate eight members who shall serve for a term of two years and shall also designate an additional eight members who shall serve for a term of one year. Additional appointments by the Governor under the provisions of this section and appointments by the Governor upon the expiration of a member's term shall be made for a term of three years. Appointments of members by the Governor to serve for an unexpired term shall be for the remainder of the unexpired term. Members may be reappointed.

(i) The voting members of the West Virginia Commission for National and Community Service shall annually elect a voting member to serve as the chair of the commission.

(j) The members of the West Virginia Commission for National and Community Service shall meet at the call of the chair, who shall be obligated to call a meeting at the request of a simple majority of the members or as necessary to ensure that the members have met at least twice in each calendar year of the commission's operation.

(k) The members of the West Virginia Commission for National and Community Service shall serve without compensation, except that the members of the commission who are not state employees shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses incurred in discharging their duties and responsibilities as members of the commission.

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