



Alaska Civilian-Armed Services Team (ACAST) Planning Document

**Background: ACAST work session public notice:** The advisory task force is charged with facilitating collaboration among military, civilian and State government leaders in an open, public environment, to develop military force structure options and growth in Alaska and Arctic resourcing, training, and readiness, both on and off designated military installations.

**Planned ACAST Meeting Agenda, for ACAST CY 2020 Meeting #4: 3 December 2020, 2-3:30 PM Alaska Standard Time**

**Meeting Information**

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Opening: Welcome and roll call of ACAST members.

**ACAST Roster (as currently available on-line)**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Appointed</b>	<b>Reappointed</b>	<b>Expires</b>
<b>Barrett, Thomas</b> (Anchorage) Military Experience/Expertise/Coast Guard	04/11/2018		12/06/2023
<b>Church, Joshua</b> (Fairbanks) Private Sector Business	03/04/2019		12/06/2021
<b>Goodwin, Douglas</b> (Eagle River) Private Sector Business	01/09/2020		12/06/2022
<b>Jones, Timothy</b> (Fairbanks) Military Experience/Expertise/Army	04/11/2018	11/20/2020	12/06/2020
<b>Kee, Randy</b> (Eagle River) Military Experience/Expertise/Air Force — Chair	04/11/2018		12/06/2023
<b>Popp, William</b> (Anchorage) Statewide Business/Economic Development — Chair	04/11/2018		12/06/2020



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<b>Saxe, Torrence</b> (*Eielson AFB) Adjutant General/DMVA/Designee	01/07/2019		
<b>Uchytel, Carl</b> (Juneau) Municipal/Tribal Government	04/11/2018	03/04/2019	12/06/2021
<b>Whiddon, John</b> (Kodiak) Municipal/Tribal Government	01/09/2020		12/06/2022
<b>Cole, Daniel (TBA)</b> Military Experience/Expertise Navy & Coast Guard	<b>New Appointment</b>		<b>TBA</b>

\*Note: Website out of date: Maj Gen Saxe is located at National Guard JFHQ, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson.

Planned Meeting Chair: Bill Popp

Planned Order of Business:

- 1) Welcome new ACAST member, Dan Cole, CWO-4 USN (Ret), Past District Captain, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary
- 2) Acknowledge reappointments:
  - a) VADM (Ret) Tom Barrett
  - b) Mr. Tim Jones
  - c) Co-Chair Church Kee
  - d) Other pending?
- 3) Gain current insights and reflections from the State of Alaska DMVA Commissioner and Adjutant General of the Alaska National Guard.
- 4) Old Business
  - a) Briefly review last actions of ACAST 2020 Meeting #3 (see associated summary) on 6 Oct 2020.
  - b) Review status of requested ACAST memos provided to AK DMVA Commissioner. Anything else the ACAST Team can do to support?
    - i) Summary memo from 29 July 2020 (updated on 18 Nov 2020)
    - ii) Space Command Memo (dated 18 Nov 2020)
    - iii) KC-46 Memo (dated 18 Nov 2020)
    - iv) Clear AFS memo (in draft)
  - c) Other items of discussion from ACAST CY 2020 Meeting #1, #2 or #3?
- 5) New Business
  - a) Briefing on Veterans Affairs by member of State of Alaska DMVA (Briefer TBA)
  - b) Review CY 2020 Annual Draft Report to Governor Dunleavy (in work)
    - i) Recommendations to help local communities in/near military installations



- ii) Recommendations to help military dependents of U.S. Active Forces stationed in Alaska.
  - iii) Recommendations for priority focus in Calendar Year 2021?
  - c) Inputs from each attending member of ACAST. New or renewed items of interest, concern or opportunity?
    - i) Regional perspectives (Southeast, Southcentral, Interior, Arctic?)
    - ii) Functional perspectives (Business/economic, municipal, tribal, military, academic, other?)
  - d) Discussion of presented inputs from item (a) above.
  - e) Roundtable discussion: what are items that ACAST should consider (in accordance with the existing Administrative Order) as important new points of advocacy or support?
    - i) Recommendations to help Alaska Military Veterans.
    - ii) Recommendations to support Alaska National Guard initiatives to bolster security and defense missions (to include Homeland Defense, Disaster Response and Humanitarian Assistance).
    - iii) Recommendations suitable/applicable to present to DoD and DHS leadership
      - (1) Office of Secretary of Defense (and/or designated Assistants/Deputy Assistant Secretaries).
      - (2) Office of Secretary of Homeland Security.
      - (3) Service Chiefs (to include U.S. Coast Guard).
      - (4) Chief National Guard Bureau.
    - iv) Recommendations suitable/applicable to present to Alaska Congressional Delegation.
- 6) Roundtable discussion for ACAST.
- 7) Establish tentative date for next meeting. Recommendation: 29 Jan 2021
- 8) Summary and way forward...recap discussion and address questions of all ACAST participants.
- 9) Co-chairs provide concluding remarks and conduct meeting adjournment.

**Move and vote to adjourn the meeting.**

**Additional points.**

- a) ACAST was created by administrative order 291. That administrative order will stand unless actively repealed or modified by a future governor with a superseding administrative order.
- b) ACAST should provide advice valued to the governor/and the associated administration.
- c) **Note, Alaska DMVA ACAST members/support are politically appointed.**

