

NOAA Corps Junior Officer Advisory Committee

Winter 2020 Newsletter



Current/Completed Projects

- *Created NJAC Charter* – Documented NJAC creation process and establishes continuity.
- *Held UAB Webinar* – Coordinated with the UAB Chairmen to run a webinar providing answers for all uniform and awards related questions. This proved to be beneficial in providing information in areas that may otherwise have been unclear.
- *Online Promotion Training* – Provided feedback and worked with specific training officers to ensure that the next round of online promotion training was constructive to the NOAA Corps.
- *Separation/Retirement Benefits Awareness Checklist* – Developed a separation/retirement benefits checklist for officers who plan on separating or retiring from the NOAA Corps. This list provides suggestions and recommendations based on a timeline of certain events to follow.
- *Officer of the Deck (OOD) Qualification Insignia* – Proposed the addition of an OOD Qualification Insignia that would recognize the achievement of every officer that successfully obtains their first OOD qualification. This is a way to recognize the achievement of gaining the confidence of one's command and would bring the NOAA Corps in alignment with the way other services recognize their officer's qualifications.
- *Augmentation Expense Clarification* – Identified and recommended solutions to misunderstandings surrounding augmentation funding for augmenting in other than no-sail situations. Clarification about usable funds was established and augmentation is supported and welcomed even in other than no-sail situations.
- *Professional License Fee Reimbursement for Spouses Upon PCSing* – In order to align with the armed forces, this suggestion was made. This would lessen the burden on spouses that must renew or gain reciprocity of professional licenses after a PCS move. CPC pursuing getting this authority for the NOAA Corps.

Meet the Executive Board

- LT JC Clark, AOC
- ENS Luke Evancoe, Gulf of Mexico
- LTJG Mike Fuller, Gulf of Mexico
- ENS Ryan Musick, East Coast
- LT Bryan Pestone, West Coast
- LTJG Caroline Wilkinson, West Coast
- LTJG Chelsea Parrish, West Coast
- LTJG Sara Wood, Pacific Islands
- LTJG Peter Siegenthaler, HQ Silver Springs, MD
- LTJG Jacquelyn Putnam, HQ Silver Springs, MD

Get Involved

Interested in joining the NOAA Corps Junior Officer Advisory Council? On the council you will have the opportunity to participate in projects to create positive changes throughout the NOAA Corps and expand your networking horizon. For more information, email:

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