



MANCHIN ANNOUNCES MEMBERS OF SERVICE ACADEMY SELECTION BOARD

Charleston, WV - U.S. Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV) announced the members of his service academy selection board. Earlier this week, the four member panel interviewed prospective candidates who are vying for a nomination to the four military service academies: the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, the U.S. Naval Academy, the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy and the U.S. Air Force Academy.

"It is an honor to nominate hardworking and dedicated West Virginia students to the U.S. Service Academies each year and to highlight the many ways West Virginia students can enter the military while also getting a college education," Senator Manchin said. "Every member of the panel brings a unique perspective to the table and I look forward to reviewing the results of the interviews when I make my nominations. I commend all of the students who interviewed with the board, and who are willing to step forward to serve our country. Their sense of patriotism shows the true spirit of West Virginia and the strength of the next generation."

The interviews were conducted this week. Senator Manchin's nominations will be announced in November.

Service Academy Selection Board
CSM (retired) Kevin Harry - former West Virginia National Guard State Enlisted Leader

Major Jason Lambert – Headquarters, Marine Corps, Legislative Liaison

Rebecca Tucker – Professor of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math, West Virginia University Parkersburg

Zahava Urecki - Legislative Correspondent, US Senator Joe Manchin

Caption 1: CSM Kevin Harry, Amber McCarty (Senator Manchin's Academy Coordinator), Zahava Urecki, Rebecca Tucker and Major Jason Lambert interviewed perspective candidates who are vying for a nomination to the U.S. Service Academies.

Gov. Justice appoints Eugene White as Director of Miners' Health, Safety and Training Frank Foster, Johnny Kinder named Deputy Directors

CHARLESTON, WV – Gov. Jim Justice announced that he has appointed Ernest Eugene White as director of West Virginia Miners' Health, Safety and Training (MHST). He fills the position being vacated by the retiring Greg Norman, who joined MHST in 2006.

"Eugene White was born and raised in the coal fields of West Virginia," said Gov. Justice. "He has hands-on experience and knows what it takes to do this work. He has dedicated his career to improving mine safety and training."

White joined MHST in 2007 as Inspector at Large for Region 3. He served in several leadership posts in the agency. In 2017, he was appointed MHST deputy director.

A third-generation miner, White is a native of West Virginia. He has 45 years of coal mining experience, including work in underground coal mines after graduation from high school.

White worked for steel and coal companies in numerous rolls such as coal drill operator, roof bolter, shuttle-car operator and safety committee chairman. His professional certifications include underground coal miner, mine foreman, gas instructor and mine rescue.

He has been a member of the State Mine Emergency team for 15 years.

Also, it was announced that Frank Foster and Johnny Kinder have been appointed

as Deputy Directors for MHST.

Foster, who started his mining career in 1976 as a general laborer, most recently served as Assistant to the Vice President for Jennmar USA. He has worked in several positions over the last 42

years with a focus on safety and compliance.

Kinder has worked for MHST since 2002 and has been an Inspector at Large since 2016. He also served as Acting Deputy Director for two years. Prior to joining MHST, Kinder worked as an underground

miner in various capacities for 11 years.

"Frank Foster and Johnny Kinder have decades of mining experience that they bring to the job and they will help to continue our focus on safety and training for West Virginia's mining community."



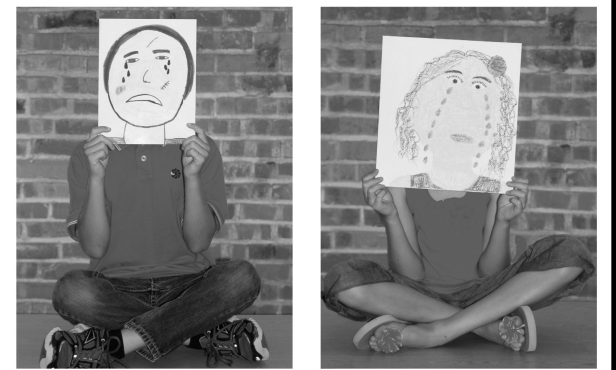
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