

# 2022 Current Fiscal Year Report: United States Military Academy Board of Visitors

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<b>1. Department or Agency</b>	<b>2. Fiscal Year</b>
Department of Defense	2022
<b>3. Committee or Subcommittee</b>	<b>3b. GSA Committee No.</b>
United States Military Academy Board of Visitors	75

<b>4. Is this New Fiscal Year?</b>	<b>5. Current Charter</b>	<b>6. Expected Renewal Date</b>	<b>7. Expected Term Date</b>
No	11/13/2022	11/13/2024	

<b>8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?</b>	<b>8b. Specific Termination Authority</b>	<b>8c. Actual Term Date</b>
No	10 U.S.C. § 7455 rescission	

<b>9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year</b>	<b>10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?</b>	<b>10b. Legislation Pending?</b>
Continue	Yes	Not Applicable

**11. Establishment Authority** Statutory (Congress Created)

<b>12. Specific Establishment Authority</b>	<b>13. Effective Date</b>	<b>14. Committee Type</b>	<b>14c. Presidential?</b>
Secretary of War James Monroe determination; 10 U.S.C. § 7455	02/28/1815	Continuing	Yes

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**15. Description of Committee** Non Scientific Program Advisory Board

**16a. Total Number of Reports** No Reports for this Fiscal Year

**17a. Open** 2 **17b. Closed** 0 **17c. Partially Closed** 0 **Other Activities** 0 **17d. Total** 2

## Meetings and Dates

Purpose	Start	End
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2022 Spring meeting of the USMA Board of Visitors. 03/02/2022 - 03/02/2022

2022 Summer meeting of the USMA Board of Visitors. 07/01/2022 - 07/01/2022

**Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 2**

	<b>Current FY</b>	<b>Next FY</b>
<b>18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff</b>	\$43,220.00	\$45,000.00
<b>18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$4,918.16	\$12,000.00
<b>18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff</b>	\$35,495.00	\$50,000.00
<b>18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)</b>	\$9,722.00	\$10,000.00
<b>18d. Total</b>	\$93,355.16	\$117,000.00
<b>19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)</b>	0.40	0.40

**20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?**

The Board of Visitors (BoV) is to serve in an advisory capacity to the United States Military Academy (USMA) at West Point. Upon request

and aligned with a standard schedule (synched with the academic year) the BoV USMA is updated such areas as: cadet quality of life issues; infrastructure revitalization, academic programs, military and physical programs, energy program, intercollegiate athletics, admissions, and the West Point Leader Development System. The BoV USMA is informed and updated on all activities at USMA.

**20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?**

The BoV USMA, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. § 7455(a), shall be constituted annually and composed of 15 members. The Board membership shall include: a. The Chair of the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate, or designee; b. Three other members of the Senate designated by the Vice President or the President pro tempore of the Senate, two of whom are members of the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate; c. The Chair of the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives, or designee; d. Four other members of the House of Representatives designated by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, two of whom are members of the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives; and e. Six persons designated by the President. Pursuant to 10 U.S.C. § 7455(b) and (c), BoV USMA members designated by the President shall serve for three years each, except that any member whose term of office has expired shall continue to serve until a successor is appointed. The President shall designate two persons each year to succeed the members whose terms expire that year. If a member of the BoV USMA dies or resigns, a successor shall be designated for the unexpired portion of the term by the official who designated the member.

**20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?**

The BoV USMA normally holds meetings three times a year. In FY 22, three meetings were scheduled, however the first meeting, which was in-person/virtual, was canceled due to an unexpected change in the House of Representatives' voting schedule which occurred at the same time the meeting was to be held.

**20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?**

Federal statute (10 U.S.C. 7455) requires the Secretary of Defense to establish this committee.

**20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?**

Meetings are not closed to the public unless the DoD determines that items on the planned agenda meet the closed meeting provisions of 5 U.S.C. § 552b(c). Pursuant to DoD policy closed meetings can only be authorized by the DoD Sponsor, the Secretary of the Army, and only after consultation with the Office of General Counsel for the Department of the Army.

**21. Remarks**

In accordance with the BoV USMA Charter the estimated number of meetings per year is two (2). In FY22 three (3) meetings were scheduled, however only two (2) were held. The U.S. Military Academy continuously updates the BoV USMA throughout the year regarding issues within its jurisdiction, so there is no gap in either overview or reporting. Recommendations from the two meeting held, include continuing the Character Integration Advisory Group's work to develop a culture of character, continue upgrading USMA's

infrastructure and facilities; continue monitoring the impact of COVID19 on educating and training; promote respect and inclusiveness in the classroom; continue to prevent sexual harassment and assault; ensure USMA is reaccredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE). Committee operations resumed in September 2021. The 2019 and 2020 Annual Reports were certified and submitted to members for signature. A few more signatures are needed prior to their being published.

### Designated Federal Officer

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USMA Board of Visitors

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Alvencia, Roderick	07/01/2022	12/30/2024	Veteran's Affairs; Attorney	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Burr, Richard	06/23/2009	12/31/2022	US Senator	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Davidson, Warren	03/29/2019	12/31/2022	US Representative	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Duckworth, Tammy	03/27/2019	12/31/2022	US Senator	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Fenwick, Leslie	07/01/2022	12/30/2024	Leadership studies; Education Policy; lecturer	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Green, Mark	03/15/2021	12/30/2022	Member of Congress/Representative	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Hagel, Charles	07/22/2022	12/30/2022	Military Affairs, Former US Senator; Former SECDEF	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Irons, Susan	07/01/2022	12/30/2022	Veteran's Affairs; USMA Grad; WPAOG Advisory Council	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Maloney, Sean	07/15/2021	12/30/2022	Member of Congress/Representative	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Manchin, Joe	03/19/2018	12/31/2024	United States Senator	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Moran, Jerry	06/28/2017	12/31/2022	U.S. Senator	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Murphy, Stephanie	05/26/2017	12/31/2022	Member of Congress/Representative	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Sabater, Juan	07/01/2022	12/30/2023	Charitable Organizations, Private Equity	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
West, Nadja	07/01/2022	12/30/2023	USMA Grad; Former Army Surgeon General; Family Medicine	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Womack, Steve	02/01/2012	12/31/2022	US Representative	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 15**

**Narrative Description**

The BoV USMA provides oversight on all mission related tasks of the United States Military Academy. Their primary focus is on quality of the Academic, Physical, Character, Military Programs, and fiscal affairs at West Point, which enables the highest quality

graduate and commissioned officer leader of character in our Army.

**What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?**

	Checked if Applies
Improvements to health or safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Outcome Comments**

Not Applicable

**What are the cost savings associated with this committee?**

	Checked if Applies
None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Cost Savings Comments**

The BoV USMA was established to provide advice and recommendations on the academic programs at USMA to better improve the efficacy of operations at the Academy. Cost savings is not a primary objective for the BoV USMA, instead, the focus is on enabling improved education for the both the Department of the Army and Department of

Defense. Cost savings is difficult to identify and quantify in costs, however, more efficient and effective USMA operations may realize cost avoidance or savings.

**What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?**

100

#### **Number of Recommendations Comments**

In the past several years the BoV USMA has focused on 10 or less major recommendations, and has listed these recommendations in the BoV USMA's Annual report to the President of the United States. USMA responds to these recommendations at each meeting and annually in the report. The BoV USMA then evaluates USMA's response to all recommendations. During FY2021, the BoV USMA made 3 recommendations to USMA. In FY2022, the BoV USMA made 3 recommendations to USMA.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?**

75%

#### **% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments**

In a few instances, information requested by the BoV USMA was not provided during the calendar year.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?**

25%

#### **% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments**

Information requested by the BoV USMA and not provided during the calendar year was provided at a later date in order to ensure accuracy of reporting.

**Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?**

Yes  No  Not Applicable

#### **Agency Feedback Comments**

USMA feedback is part of the Annual Report to the President. Additionally, the BoV USMA receives updates from Academy leadership at each meeting and in information



papers upon request at other times throughout the year.

**What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?**

Checked if Applies

- Reorganized Priorities
- Reallocated resources
- Issued new regulation
- Proposed legislation
- Approved grants or other payments
- Other

**Action Comments**

Not Applicable

**Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?**

No

**Grant Review Comments**

NA

**How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?**

Checked if Applies

- Contact DFO
- Online Agency Web Site
- Online Committee Web Site
- Online GSA FACA Web Site
- Publications
- Other

**Access Comments**

The USMA BoV Annual reports are sent to the Library of Congress after Presidential Review. There is a USMA BoV website which provides information regarding the Board's membership, rules & regulations and announces upcoming meetings.