

2019 Current Fiscal Year Report: Board of Visitors, Marine Corps University

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1. Department or Agency		2. Fiscal Year	
Department of Defense		2019	
3. Committee or Subcommittee		3b. GSA Committee No.	
Board of Visitors, Marine Corps University		5175	
4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?	5. Current Charter	6. Expected Renewal Date	7. Expected Term Date
No	06/13/2017	06/13/2019	
8a. Was Terminated During FiscalYear?	8b. Specific Termination Authority	8c. Actual Term Date	
No			
9. Agency Recommendation for Next FiscalYear	10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?	10b. Legislation Pending?	
Continue	Yes	Not Applicable	
11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)			
12. Specific Establishment Authority	13. Effective Date	14. Committee Type	14c. Presidential?
Section 8592(d), Title 10, U.S.C.	10/05/1995	Continuing	No
15. Description of Committee Non Scientific Program Advisory Board			
16a. Total Number of Reports	No Reports for this FiscalYear		
17a. Open Meetings and Dates	17b. Closed	17c. Partially Closed	Other Activities
No Meetings	0	0	0

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$0.00	\$0.00

19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)

0.00 0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The Marine Corps University Board of Visitors has broad and significant influence upon the Marine Corps University's programs and operations. It has the prestige and influence to affect the direction and policies of the Marine Corps University. Its charter and by-laws give it exceptional authority and responsibility to advise the Commanding General, Marine Corps Combat Development Command and the President of the University on all matters dealing with professional military education throughout the Marine Corps. Its record for objectivity and frankness is very clear. The recommendations of the Board include, but are not limited to, specific advice related to regional accreditation of the University by the Commission on Colleges, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools; recommendations related to the University's 5-year strategic plan; personnel issues to include options to increase diversity; advocating the introduction of educational technology in connection with course delivery, and curriculum management.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The Board is comprised of a diverse and select group based upon varied ethnicity, gender, regional representation, and a mix of individuals with academic, business and government experience. This diverse group carries out the Board's charter and by-laws. Members include corporate business directors, college educators and administrators, and current and retired university chancellors and presidents. Members represent the Western, Southwestern, Northern, Northeastern, Southern, and Eastern regions.

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

The BOV Charter requires one meeting each year; however, the Board generally meets twice each year with executive subcommittee meetings being held as deemed necessary by the President, Marine Corps University. The meetings are necessary and relevant to the operation of the University's educational and research programs, and to the achievement of regional accreditation as required by statute.

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

Statute mandates the Board as a requirement for regional accreditation and the Board cannot be comprised of University personnel. The Commission on Colleges Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the University's regional accrediting agency, mandates the existence of such a board. The members of the Board provide advice and recommendations based on their diversity as evidenced in their occupations, educational credentials and backgrounds, and career work experiences. Civilian and military members

of the University do not possess this diversity and are unable to lend these varied experiences.

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

Meetings are not closed to the public unless the Department of Defense 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, who is the Secretary of the Navy or designee, and only after consultation with the appropriate General Counsel. The Board of Visitors of Marine Corps University has never conducted a closed meeting.

21. Remarks

The Marine Corps University Board of Visitors does not issue a separate report for the Government decision maker. Instead the Board of Visitors' meeting minutes, which contain the Board's recommendations, are forwarded to the appropriate decision maker for his or her action. Department of Defense (DoD) policy between fiscal year 2007 and 2011 required that subcommittee members be listed separately in the subcommittee section of GSA's Database, even if they were duly appointed members of the parent committee. This policy, in some instances, caused a duplication of entries. Beginning in fiscal year 2012, DoD will only list in the subcommittee section of GSA's Database those who are appointed to just a subcommittee. If an individual is appointed to the parent committee and to one of the committee's authorized subcommittees then his or her subcommittee affiliation will be reflected in the parent committee membership section of GSA's Database.

Designated Federal Officer

Rebecca Johnson Marine Corp University Vice President for Academic Affairs

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Aldridge, Susan	10/15/2015	10/14/2019	President Drexel University	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Athens, Arthur	09/23/2015	09/22/2019	Stockdale Center for Ethical Leadership	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Bumphus, Walter	05/05/2016	05/04/2020	President and CEO American Community College Association	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Elam, Dr. Michael	03/06/2016	03/05/2020	Roanoke-Chowan Community College President	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Hawkins, Jack	10/02/2014	10/01/2018	Troy University	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Johnston, Michelle	10/15/2015	10/14/2019	President University of Rio Grande and Rio Grande Community College	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Mahnken, Thomas	05/06/2016	05/05/2020	Professor Naval War College	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Mansoor, Peter	10/15/2015	10/14/2019	Professor, General Raymond E. Mason, Jr. Chair in Military History Ohio State University	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 9

Narrative Description

The Board of Visitors was established to advise and assist the Commanding General, MCCDC, and the President of Marine Corps University in establishing the broad framework of institutional policies that guide their actions related to academic rigor and PME policies associated with the University operations. The Board supports the University's mission and strategic plan by reviewing each and ensuring they are reflective of Marine Corps' goals and offer the appropriate higher-education focus. They provide oversight and advice to facilitate higher educational standards and cost effective operations. The existence of an MCU Board of Visitors is mandated by the University's regional accrediting agency, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, which requires a governing board for oversight of each of its Universities and is established by statute.

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

Checked if Applies

- Improvements to health or safety
- Trust in government
- Major policy changes
- Advance in scientific research
- Effective grant making
- Improved service delivery
- Increased customer satisfaction
- Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements
- Other

Outcome Comments

N/A

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

- None
- Unable to Determine
- Under \$100,000
- \$100,000 - \$500,000
- \$500,001 - \$1,000,000

\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000
Over \$10,000,000
Cost Savings Other

Cost Savings Comments

The benefits generated by the BOV are not necessarily associated with cost savings. Because the Board focuses on educational elements of Professional Military Education, the benefits accrued relate to student learning.

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

352

Number of Recommendations Comments

The Board was established in 1997. There have been 346 recommendations since 2003. This is the information I have since my position inception in 2013.

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

72%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

72% = Taken from overall average of recommendations fully implemented since 2003. Some records from 1990s were not available either via electronically nor by hard copies so that this is a percentage based on the information readily available.

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

22%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

Average of all recommendations partially implemented since 2003

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

Yes No Not Applicable

Agency Feedback Comments

The MCU BOV is updated at each meeting on all the issues/recommendations surfaced at the previous meeting.

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

	Checked if Applies
Reorganized Priorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

The Board of Visitors plays an advisory role only. Their focus is on academic rigor and University processes related to PME delivery and content.

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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Access Comments

N/A