

2019 Current Fiscal Year Report: Defense Acquisition University Board of Visitors

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1. Department or Agency		2. Fiscal Year	
Department of Defense		2019	
3. Committee or Subcommittee		3b. GSA Committee No.	
Defense Acquisition University Board of Visitors		5112	
4. Is this New Fiscal Year?	5. Current Charter	6. Expected Renewal Date	7. Expected Term Date
No	07/11/2018	07/11/2020	04/15/2019
8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?	8b. Specific Termination Authority		8c. Actual Term Date
Yes	CMO memo to USD(A&S)		04/15/2019
9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year	10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?	10b. Legislation Pending?	
Terminate	No	Not Applicable	
11. Establishment Authority Agency Authority			
12. Specific Establishment Authority	13. Effective Date	14. Committee Type	14c. Presidential?
Secretary of Defense Determination	11/05/1990	Continuing	No
15. Description of Committee Non Scientific Program Advisory Board			
16a. Total Number of Reports	No Reports for this Fiscal Year		
17a. Open	17b. Closed	17c. Partially Closed	17d. Total
0	0	0	0
Meetings and Dates			
No Meetings			

	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	\$11,500.00	\$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	\$11,500.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.10	0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

BoV members are briefed on the status of DAU programs and initiatives, including the budget. Recommendations and advice are made and incorporated into the dynamic DAU Strategic Plan. As DAU pursues initiatives it seeks advice from the board during the planning, implementation, and evaluation phases. Board members provide advice, based on their experience and expertise, to the DAU President and leadership team and the USD(AT&L). Results of their contributions are relayed back to them, workforce data is provided and explained, student throughput is provided,

evaluative results are shared.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

Members of the DAU BoV have been selected for their preeminence in the fields of academia, business, and industry. Ideally, the board includes representation from each of the military services with at least one retired flag officer from the Army, Navy, and Air Force. A balanced mix of expertise among members ensures expert perspectives for all issues discussed regarding DAU programs and initiatives.

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

The DAU BoV has been established to advise on organization management, curricula, methods of instruction, facilities, and other matters of interest to the University. As a continuing advisory committee, the DAU BoV meets two or three times per year. This schedule affords sufficient time for advice to be implemented and results evaluated for most efforts.

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

When the Defense Acquisition University was established, the Secretary of Defense determined the establishment of a separate board of visitors for the University was necessary and to provide the Secretary with advice on University matters such as curricula, methods of instruction, facilities, education/training standards, organizational management, and academic accreditation.

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

All meetings have been and will continue to be

open.

21. Remarks

This discretionary advisory committee, the Defense Acquisition University Board of Visitors was terminated by the Department of Defense (DoD) prior to the signing of Executive Order (EO) 13875, "Evaluating and Improving the Utility of Federal Advisory Committees", dated June 14, 2019. Notwithstanding, the DoD in accordance with EO 13875 and OMB guidance included this discretionary advisory committee as part of DoD's 1/3 reduction in discretionary advisory committees which was directed by EO 13875. The committee does not publish separate reports; the recommendations to the decision maker are contained in the meeting minutes and are provided to the Under Secretary in a letter following each meeting.

Designated Federal Officer

Christen M. Goulding Defense Acquisition
University Board of Visitors Executive Secretary

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Avey, Caroline	07/30/2015	07/29/2019	Senior Learning Strategist, The Regis Company	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Fraser, Eugene	08/28/2015	08/27/2019	Vice President, Programs, Quality and Engineering, Northrop Grumman Corporation	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Phillips, William	05/20/2015	05/19/2019	Boeing Co.	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Reed, Anne	05/20/2015	05/19/2019	President, Anne Reed consulting	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Venlet, David	05/20/2015	05/19/2019	private consultant	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Williams, Charlie	05/20/2015	05/19/2019	President, CWilliams LLC	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 6

Narrative Description

The mission of the Defense Acquisition University is to provide practitioner training and services to the DoD Acquisition Workforce. The DAU Board of Visitors is composed of expert practitioners in a variety of functional areas from academia, defense industry, and government. The Board of Visitors heavily influences our strategic planning process each year. Our vision of becoming a corporate university, our increasing use of e-learning, our development of a variety of learning assets that promote career-long learning, our increased focus on rapidly training the workforce on new policy initiatives, and our reengineering of internal business systems all resulted from recommendations from the Board of Visitors. Their stakeholder perspective has been invaluable.

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

Checked if
Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

NA

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 DAU Board of Visitors provides strategic guidance on University direction. Therefore we are not able to link specific cost savings to this committee. However, the Board of Visitors has been an integral part of promoting revised practices and course delivery that have resulted in reductions in student travel costs and average cost per student. The advice the board provides would be costly if sought from a consulting firm.

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

46

Number of Recommendations Comments

During early 2018, the Board made a significant number of recommendations. This was in part because they are reporting to a new Under Secretary and it was right before the split from USD(AT&L) to USD(A&S) and USD(R&E) and CMO took effect. Due to the changing environment, the board felt the time was right for identifying additional areas for improving not only DAU, but influencing a positive change in the Defense Acquisition Workforce's working environment as well. In September of 2017, there were six recommendations. Three have begun full implementation, one is a partial implementation and two are unknown as they are recommendations for the Under Secretary versus DAU. It has not yet been determined if the four recommendations from the January 2018 meeting will be implemented.

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

54%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

Few recommendations are easily implemented; many are long-term solutions to issues that evolve on a regular basis.

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

28%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

Many recommendations are partially implemented because of budgetary restraints, the continual evolution of the workforce we support, and changing congressional requirements or the evolutionary nature of the recommendation.

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

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

DAU provides the BoV an update of program changes, practices that have been implemented, and manpower and cost savings that have resulted directly or indirectly from their recommendations. Also, the USD(AT&L) acknowledges the value of the board's contributions and recommendations in response to the reports he receives from the board chair.

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

NA

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

N/A