### 2025 Current Fiscal Year Report: Employee Thrift Advisory Council

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1. Department or Agency 2. Fiscal Year

Federal Retirement Thrift Investment

Board

2025

3b. GSA Committee

3. Committee or Subcommittee

No.

1489 Employee Thrift Advisory Council

4. Is this New During 5. Current 6. Expected 7. Expected Fiscal Year? Charter Renewal Date Term Date

No 01/02/1987 01/02/1989

8b. Specific 8a. Was Terminated During Termination 8c. Actual FiscalYear? **Term Date** Authority

No

9. Agency 10b. 10a. Legislation

**Recommendation for Next** Legislation **Reg to Terminate? FiscalYear** Pending?

Not Applicable Continue Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

12. Specific 14. 13.

14c. Establishment Effective Commitee

Presidential? Authority Date Type

5 U.S.C. 8473 06/06/1986 Continuing No

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

Board

16a. Total

No Reports for Number of this FiscalYear

Reports

17a.

0 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 0

Meetings and Dates

No Meetings

**Current Next** 

FY FY

18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to	\$0.00\$0.00
Federal Members	
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to	\$0.00\$0.00
Federal Staff	
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to	00 00 00
Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to	Фо оо фо оо
Non-Federal Members	\$0.00\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to	<b>.</b>
Federal Members	\$0.00\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to	<b>#</b> 0 00 <b>#</b> 0 00
Federal Staff	\$0.00\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to	\$0.00\$0.00
Non-member Consultants	φυ.υυ φυ.υυ
18c. Administrative Costs (FRNs,	
contractor support,	<b>#</b> 0.00 <b>#</b> 0.00
In-person/hybrid/virtual	\$0.00\$0.00
meetings)	
18d. Other (all other funds not	
captured by any other cost	\$0.00\$0.00
category)	
18e. Total Costs	\$0.00\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years	0.00 0.00
(FTE)	0.00 0.00

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

The Board administers the Thrift Savings Plan (TSP), a defined contribution retirement savings plan for Federal, Postal Service, and Uniformed Services employees. The TSP is similar to private sector 401(k) plans. The Employee Thrift Advisory Council (Council) provides advice on matters relating to TSP investment policies and plan administration. The Executive Director of the Board periodically provides Council members with

memoranda and materials describing ongoing TSP activities. As prescribed by statute (5 U.S.C. 8474(b)(6)), the Executive Director meets with the Council at the request of the Council Chairman. In addition, Council members are given advance copies of TSP regulations and they are asked to provide their comments to the Board prior to submission of those regulations to the Federal Register for a period of public review and comment.

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

The membership of the Council is required by statute (5 U.S.C. 8473(b)) to include the representatives of specified employee organizations and the uniformed services.

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

The Council generally meets once or twice a year and the authorizing statute has no termination date. The Council met on May 21, 2024, and November 14, 2023. The Council is uniquely able to provide the Board with advice because member organizations comprise all of the major representatives of Federal, Postal Service and Uniformed Services employees and retirees.

# **20d.** Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere? The Council was established by statute (5 U.S.C. 8473).

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?
No meetings were closed.

#### 21. Remarks

### **Designated Federal Officer**

### Isiah Horton DFO

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
			National	
Blackmon, Lee	05/23/2023	04/22/2027	Association of Government Employees	Representative Member
Doherty, Neil	05/23/2023	04/22/2027	Senior Executives Association	Representative Member
Garner, Ron	05/23/2023	04/22/2027	Uniformed Services	Representative Member
Heins, Daniel	05/23/2023	04/22/2027	United Postmaster and Managers of the United States	Representative Member
Hensley, Kathryn	05/23/2023	04/22/2027	National Active and Retired Federal Employee Association	Representative Member
Macho, Micahel	05/23/2023	04/22/2027	American Postal Workers Union	Representative Member
Muildore, Chuck	05/23/2023	04/22/2027	National Association of Postal Supervisors	Representative Member
Simon, Jacquelin	05/23/2023	04/22/2027	Policy Director	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Sowards, Matt	05/23/2023	04/22/2027	National Treasury Employees Union	Representative Member
Sprosta, Althea	02/23/2023	04/22/2027	Federally Employed Women, Inc.	Representative Member
Stamey, Dave	05/23/2023	04/22/2027	National Federation of Federal Employees	Representative Member
Turner, Tommy	05/23/2023	04/22/2027	National Rural Letter Carriers' Association	Representative Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 12** 

### **Narrative Description**

The Council's member organizations comprise all of the major representatives of Federal, Postal Service, and Uniformed Services employees and retirees. Thus, it is uniquely able to provide the Board with advice regarding the TSP and its operations.

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

	Checked i	f
	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		<b>.X</b> .
Other		/

### **Outcome Comments**

The Council provides ongoing advice to the Board on behalf of its unique perspective as an organization representative. The Council has lent support for and provided the Agency with invaluable feedback on, the transition to a new record keeping system and new TSP online system (effective June 1, 2022) and disseminating information on the changes to its member organizations. The Council also provided ongoing education to Thrift Savings Plan participants in its member organizations.

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

	Checked if Applies
None	<b>✓</b>
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**

NA

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?
Number of Recommendations Comments NA
What is the approximate $\underline{\text{Percentage}}$ of these recommendations that have been or will be $\underline{\text{Fully}}$ implemented by the agency? $0\%$
% of Recommendations <u>Fully</u> Implemented Comments NA
What is the approximate $\underline{\text{Percentage}}$ of these recommendations that have been or will be $\underline{\text{Partially}}$ implemented by the agency? $0\%$
% of Recommendations <u>Partially</u> Implemented Comments NA
Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?  Yes No Not Applicable
Agency Feedback Comments Feedback is provided through memorandums from the Executive Director to Council members and through contact through the Director of External Affairs. Updates and publicannouncements are posted on FRTIB.gov
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**

The Council assisted the Board in disseminating important information on our transition to a new record keeping system and new TSP online system (Converge) to its member employee organizations it represents. The Council also provided ongoing education to Thrift Savings Plan participants in its member organizations.

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

### **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**

Through the Board's Director of External Affairs.