2024 Current Fiscal Year Report: Veterans' Advisory Committee on Education

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| 1. Department or Agency | | | 2 | 2. Fiscal Year | |
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| Department of Veterans Affairs | | | | 2024 | |
| Dopartment of V | | | | 3b. GSA Committee | |
| 3. Committee or Subcommittee | | | | No. | |
| Veterans' Advisory Committee on | | | 2 | Q | |
| Education | | | 20 | 0 | |
| 4. Is this New D | During 5. Cu | rrent 6. | Expected | ł | 7. Expected |
| Fiscal Year? | Chart | er Ro | enewal Da | ate | Term Date |
| No | 03/13/ | /2023 03 | 8/13/2025 | | |
| 8b. Specific 8a. Was Terminated During FiscalYear? Authority | | | ation | | 8c. Actual Term Date |
| No | | 38 U.S. | .C. 3692 | | |
| 9. Agency Recommendation for Next FiscalYear 10a. Legislation Req to Terminate? Pending? | | | | | |
| Continue | Not Applicable | | | Not Applicable | |
| 11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created) | | | | | |
| 12. Specific | 13 | 5. | 14. | | 44- |
| Establishment | Ef | fective | Commit | tee | 14c. |
| Authority | Da | ate | Туре | | Presidential? |
| 38 U.S.C. 3692 | 03 | 8/16/1966 | 6 Continui | ing | No |
| 15. Description | of Committ | ee Non | Scientific I | Prog | gram Advisory |
| Board | | | | | |
| 16a. Total Number of Reports | No Reports this FiscalY | | | | |
| 17a. 0 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 0 Open | | | | | |
| 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 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 Committee is charged with assessing Veterans' educational and employment requirements in conjunction with educational and technological advances in their various fields. The Committee provides recommendations to the Secretary in the administration of the educational programs under title 38, United States Code. The Committee continues to focus on Distance Learning, Veteran Vocational Education and Training Programs, and Apprenticeship Programs, and IT system modernization. The Committee's work supports two of VA's strategic goals: Veterans choose VA for easy access, greater choices, and clear information to make informed decisions (#1) and VA will modernize systems and focus resources more efficiently to be competitive and to provide World Class capabilities to Veterans and its employees (#4). The Committee held two public meetings in FY 2023. Public Law 117-180 Section 404, reauthorized the Committee through December 31, 2026.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The Committee is comprised of eminent representatives from education, labor, and management. With their varied backgrounds, the members bring to the Committee expertise on 1) Active Duty service; 2) experience using the GI Bill education programs to further their own education; 3) Reserve and National Guard affairs; 4) institutions of higher learning; and 5) apprentice and on-the-job training programs. Close attention is given to equitable geographic distribution and to ethnic and gender representation.

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

By charter, the Committee is expected to meet at least once annually. In FY 2023, the Committee held two meeting: virtual on November 29-30, 2022; and in-person on June 5-7, 2023. Meetings are made relevant by focusing on providing any information needed by the Committee to produce recommendations and then discussing drafts for recommendations to be submitted this term. The Committee projects holding two meetings in FY 2024, one virtual and one in person.

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

Committee members offer a wide range of unique experiences from institutions of higher learning, Veteran Service Organizations, GI Bill students, and technology companies on the needs of Veterans and schools.

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

The Committee meetings are open to the public.

21. Remarks

Pursuant to Public Law 117-180 Section 404, the Committee has bee extended until December 31, 2026.

Designated Federal Officer

Kaprice C. Dyson Public Affairs Fofficer

| Committee Members | Start | End | Occupation | Member Designation |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Butler, Barry | 01/19/2020 | 04/30/2024 | President, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University | Special Government Employee (SGE) Member |
| Dexter, Mona | 01/29/2020 | 04/30/2024 | Sr. Director Operations and Communications, U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation (HOH) | Special Government Employee (SGE) Member |
| Hauk, Keith | 03/31/2023 | 03/31/2025 | Associate Vice President and Deputy Director, Stateside Military Operations, University of Maryland Global Campus | Special Government Employee (SGE) Member |
| Haynie, Michael | 04/25/2022 | 03/31/2024 | Vice Chancellor, Syracuse University | Special Government Employee (SGE) Member |
| Hoppin, Soudarak (Sue) | 01/29/2020 | 04/30/2024 | Director, National Military Spouse Network | Special Government Employee (SGE) Member |
| Lyon, Jared | 10/17/2017 | 04/30/2024 | President, Student Veterans of America | Special Government Employee (SGE) Member |

| Paydar, Nasser | 08/05/2022 | | Department of Education - Office of Postsecondary Education | Ex Officio Member |
|----------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Quintas, John | 01/29/2020 | 04/30/2024 | Military Director, Amazon.com | Special Government Employee (SGE) Member |
| Roberts, Darrell | 01/29/2020 | 04/30/2024 | Executive Director, Helmets to Hardhats and Director of Organizing, S.M.A.R.T. Union | Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special |
| Roberts, Sarah | 01/29/2019 | 04/30/2024 | CoS, Customer Success & Insights | Government Employee (SGE) Member |
| Rodriguez, James | 05/04/2022 | | Department of Labor - Assistant Secretary, Veterans Employment and Training Service | Ex Officio Member |
| Salgado, David | 04/25/2022 | 03/31/2024 | Director, Texas State Approving Agency for Veterans Education | |
| Velazquez, Violet | 04/25/2022 | 03/31/2024 | Social Work Undergraduate Student, University of Washington | Special Government Employee (SGE) Member |
| Warrick, Cynthia | | 04/30/2024 | President, Stillman College | Special Government Employee (SGE) Member |
| Number | r of Com | mittee M | emhers I isted | • 14 |

Number of Committee Members Listed: 14

Narrative Description

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on the administration of education and training programs for veterans and servicepersons, reservists, and dependents of veterans under Chapters 30, 32, 33, 35, and 36 of Title 38, and Chapter 1606 of Title 10, United States Code.

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

Checked if

Applies

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

Outcome Comments

Not Applicable

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

| | Checked if Applies |
|----------------------------|--------------------|
| None | \checkmark |
| 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

Not Applicable

What is the approximate <u>Number</u> of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee? 104

Number of Recommendations Comments

This is the total number of recommendations for FY 2003 through FY 2023.

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

35%

% of Recommendations <u>Fully</u> Implemented Comments

Not Applicable

What is the approximate <u>Percentage</u> of these recommendations that have been or will be <u>Partially</u> implemented by the agency? 45%

% of Recommendations <u>Partially</u> Implemented Comments Not Applicable

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 Department submits a formal response to each Committee recommendation, and Department officials brief the Committee on actions taken to implement recommendations. Published Annual Reports can be found online: https://www.va.gov/ADVISORY/Veterans_Advisory_Committee_on_Education.asp

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

N/A

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

No

Grant Review Comments

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

| | Checked if Applies |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Contact DFO | \checkmark |
| Online Agency Web Site | \checkmark |
| Online Committee Web Site | \checkmark |
| Online GSA FACA Web Site | \checkmark |
| Publications | \checkmark |
| Other | |

Access Comments

To access the Committee's website, click here: https://www.va.gov/ADVISORY/Veterans_Advisory_Committee_on_Education.asp