

CODE OF PROCEDURES

VETERANS EDUCATION, OTHER BENEFITS AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE

(Assigned to Veterans Employment and Education Commission)

Approved Fall D.E.C. October 2023

Section 1: The Veterans Education, Other Benefits, and Homelessness Committee shall consist of a Chairman and a member not to exceed two members. The Chairman of the Veterans Education, Other Benefits, and Homelessness Committee and member shall be selected by the new incoming Department Commander and confirmed by the Department Executive Committee. The Chairman of the Veterans Education, Other Benefits, and Homelessness Committee shall be a member of the Veterans Employment and Education Commission.

Section 2: Purpose

- To insure that veterans education benefits provided by the United States government to veterans are sufficient to pay all of the cost of a college education at state-supported colleges, all of the costs of trade school education, and a substantial portion of education provided by privately-owned colleges;
- To insure that every generation of veterans has substantially the same or better benefits than the previous generation;
- To insure that the federal and local governments are allocating sufficient resources to alleviate and end the challenge of homelessness among America's veterans;
- To insure that all veterans receive the benefits to which they are entitled as recompense for their military service on behalf of a grateful nation;
- To understand, support, and disseminate the principles of the Veterans Employment and Education Commission to which this Committee is assigned.
- To coordinate and provide guidance for all Point in Time (PIT) counts for Homeless Veterans activity in the Department of Oregon.
- Such other purposes as may be assigned to it by the Department Executive Committee.

Assigned to the Veterans Employment and Education Commission for supervision and coordination.

Section 3: The committee shall meet at the direction of the chairman or the Chairman of the Veterans Employment and Education Commission or Department Commander. The Chair is authorized to conduct business of the committee meetings by telephone, email, or correspondence.

Section 4: This committee shall annually prepare and present a budget to the Veterans Employment and Education Commission for review and the Commission will submit to the

Permanent Finance Commission for approval at the Department Convention. The budget shall be itemized to indicate the amount to be used for (a) Programs, (b) Administration, and (c) Travel. All expenditures of all funds allocated must be approved by the Veterans Employment and Education Commission Chairman in advance.

Section 5: The Veterans Education, Other Benefits and Homelessness Committee will provide support and educational material, with support from other commissions at National Guard Yellow Ribbon events, Homeless Veteran's Stand Downs, National Guard Armory's, Revitalization Events, coordinate and support Department of Defense (DOD) Employment initiative of all returning warriors to have a job. Coordinate with the local community, Department of Labor- Veterans Employment (DOL-VETS), Veterans Administration (VA), Employers Support of Guard and Reserve (ESGR), National Guard for supporting events.

Section 6: The Veterans Education, Other Benefits, and Homelessness Committee shall submit a monthly report of the Veterans Education, Other Benefits, and Homelessness activities to the Department Veterans Employment and Education Commission Chairman for incorporation in the activities report of the Department Veterans Employment and Education Commission.

Section 7:

- a) When the subject matter to be discussed at any committee meeting would be of interest or concern to chairmen of other commissions/committees, the chairman may request representation from the other commissions to ensure necessary coordination among all commissions/committees involved.
- b) Committee members are expected to participate fully in the activities of the committee. Unexcused absence from two committee meetings shall constitute a ground for removal from the committee. Consistent failure to participate as required shall constitute grounds for removal from the committee. The Department Commander shall have the authority to remove the member of the Committee upon recommendation by the Commission Chair for Cause.

Section 8: The Veterans Education, Other Benefits, and Homelessness Committee Code of Procedures shall be reviewed and updated, if necessary, by this Committee for the Fall Department Executive Committee meeting for approval.

Section 9: Technical Correction: Meetings may be conducted using virtual technologies (i.e., video/teleconferencing platforms) in addition to what may already be provided for in this code of procedure.