



Veterans Affairs Committee Report Summary

This committee report is a record of what transpired and was accomplished during your time together at the USET meetings.

Impact Week Meeting

Joint Collaboration
Mid-Year Meeting

Annual Meeting

This Report is due the day before the last day of meetings, 4:00 pm in the USET office.

Tribal Nations represented 8 Committee Members in attendance 8

Topics Discussed Highlights from Meetings	Outcomes / Any Decisions Made* see directions below	Next Steps / Action Items / Responsible Party* see directions below
DAY 1		
Honor Guard/ Honoring of Veteran Ceremony/BOD Meeting	N/A	All Veterans participation in Honoring, Veterans invited to attend the BOD meeting
DAY 2 - AM		
Introductions/ Welcome/ At a glance agenda for next meeting/ Open discussion	Potential session topics for next meeting. Annual Meeting	Mike Cook, Gathered topics for next meeting. Sent out topics for future connections.
DAY 2 - PM		
Virginia Department of Veterans Services	Updates on what Medical and Corpsman program	Provided updated information related to the Tribal Veterans. How do we get the USET region Veterans involved in these meetings so we can bring the issues forward. Please advocate for Tribal Nation participation and bring the issues to the table.
Virginia Department of Veterans Services	Updates on rural areas Veterans Family Support Peer Support	Providing information on their new office and program services to Tribal Veterans. Partnerships with Interagency.
Wreath Laying Ceremony		National Native American Veterans Memorial was a great turnout. BOD and Executive Leadership showed up.
DAY 3 – AM		
Veterans Committee joins the Joint Session	Joint session	Veterans Health Administration reimbursement program.
Day 3- PM		
Veterans Benefits Administration Office		Provided information on the role of the office of VBA and how so submit claims.

Veterans Affairs Committee Business Session	Event details for next year.	Discussed the support for families of those who have been wounded, injured or killed during combat operations.
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***Next Steps / Action Items / Responsible Party** (ie: Resolution for submission to Board [Draft resolutions submitted after the deadline are only eligible for consideration at the authorization of the USET SPF Executive Officers Committee (EOC) if: (1) the resolution addresses an emergency, an issue that was not known before the deadline, or for other good cause; and (2) the EOC, at its discretion, agrees to consider the resolution. Whenever possible, late resolutions will be directed to Committee(s) of Jurisdiction prior to USET SPF BOD consideration.]; consultation session scheduled; listening session in works; future/upcoming meetings to be aware of; comments / testimony required – SPF involvement; add to best practices, request special meeting; any motions carried, are there policy implications for USET SPF involvement, etc.)

Impact Week – Did you visit the HILL? Yes No

Annual Meeting – Did you Tour the Host Tribal Nation? Yes No

OTHER Business

Retiring the Colors.
 Talked about doing a Resolution for getting more TN involvement.
 List of Veterans who could be honored.

At A Glance Agenda Items for Next Meeting

- PRC- with Health Committee conversation
- VA loans on trust land/and off
- Honoring of Veteran- TBD
- BIA Housing Land Assignment
- Legislation

Were Elections Held? YES NO

Chair

Vice Chair

Secretary

Date: 3/12/2025

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