



**Choose your 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 6 Committee Members in attendance 6

<b>Topics Discussed Highlights from Meetings</b>	<b>Outcomes / Any Decisions Made* see directions below</b>	<b>Next Steps / Action Items / Responsible Party* see directions below</b>
DAY 1		
Honor Guard/ Honoring of Veteran Ceremony	N/A	Thomas Weir/ Acting Chair/ Honor Guard All Veterans participation in Honoring
Wreath laying Ceremony Honoring the Tribal Nation Veterans at the National Native American Veterans Memorial	N/A	Veterans Committee headed to the Smithsonian National Museum of the American Indian.
DAY 2 - AM		
Introductions/ Welcome/ At a glance agenda for next meeting/ Open discussion	Potential session topics for next meeting. Annual Meeting	Thomas Weir/ Acting Chair. Gathered topics for next meeting to prepare Mary Culley for pre-delivery. Sent out topics to Mike Cook/ Chairman for future discussions.
DAY 2 - PM		
National Cemetery Administration Tribal Cemeteries	Updates on how to connect with the Administration. Check status once a year when filing a request for grant opportunity.	Provided updated information related to the Tribal Veterans cemetery grant program, to include the process itself, and new burial cost funds. Minimum standards for 38 CFR part 39 regulation that provides requirements. Grant opportunity with Tribes and construction managers start collaborations.
Veterans Health Administration OTH	How to apply for co-pay exception. Tribal Documentation.	Providing information on their new office and program services to Tribal Veterans. Partnerships with Interagency includes co-pay exemption, VA TAC, White House ITF, and WHCNA. Co-pay exemption for everyone who is even 100 percent.
Veterans Health Administration Homeless	Rapid re-housing for Veterans and their families and Keeping Veteran families immediately at risk for housing.	Hud-Vash work with the household to determine what services to provide. Organizations that work with VA determine the needs. NOFA determines funding priorities. FY26 NOFO 3 year funding. Tailor plans to individual needs.

**\*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.  
Send out Tribal Leaders Listening Session or National Cemeteries  
Town Hall at potential Annual meeting

At A Glance Agenda Items  
for Next Meeting

- PRC- with Health Committee conversation
- VA loans on trust land
- Honoring of Veteran- TBD
- Pact Act

Were Elections Held?  YES  NO

Chair

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Vice Chair

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Secretary

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ 3/28/2024 \_\_\_\_\_

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Committee met under the direction of Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_ Thomas Weir \_\_\_\_\_