

MINUTES  
VETERANS EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE  
MEETING OF  
August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, at 6:00 P.M.  
VIRTUAL - TEAMS

1. Call to Order 6:00 P.M.  
Department Chairman Dittebrand opened the meeting of the Department Veterans Education and Employment Committee at 6:00 P.M.
2. Salute to the Colors  
The Colors were saluted.
3. Invocation By Dennis Dickey 3<sup>rd</sup> District Chairman
4. Pledge of Allegiance  
Chairman Dittebrand Led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance
5. Roll Call: Jacob Brault, Department Legislative and National Security Coordinator

**Members present:**

Sarah Mast, 1<sup>st</sup> District Chairman- PRESENT  
2<sup>nd</sup> District Chairman- VACANT  
Dennis Dickey, 3<sup>rd</sup> District Chairman- PRESENT  
4<sup>th</sup> District Chairman- VACANT  
5<sup>th</sup> District Chairman- VACANT  
David Cook, 6<sup>th</sup> District Chairman- PRESENT  
John Tepper, 7<sup>th</sup> District Chairman- NOT PRESENT  
Mary Austin, 8<sup>th</sup> District Chairman- NOT PRESENT  
Bill Dittebrand, Department Chairman- PRESENT  
Dan Wilson, 10<sup>th</sup> District Chairman- NOT PRESENT  
Thom Stan, 11<sup>th</sup> District Chairman- PRESENT  
Steve Ebersole, 12<sup>th</sup> District Chairman- NOT PRESENT  
13<sup>th</sup> District Chairman- VACANT  
14<sup>th</sup> District Chairman- VACANT

**Guests Present:**

Jacob Brault, Legislative & National Security Coordinator

6. New Business – Approval of Sub Committee Rules

Chairman Dittebrand began discussion by reviewing each portion of the Committee rules to ensure all present understood rules of VE&E Committee.

Thom Stan 11<sup>th</sup> District motioned, seconded by Dennis Dickey 3<sup>rd</sup> District to accept the committee rules with the change of Highlighting “APPROVED” under the reimbursement portion to make aware that overnight stays must be authorized by Department Commander for reimbursement and change DEC months to prior to the quarterly DEC Meetings.

## **MOTION PASSED**

Chairman Dittebrand began discussing National Veteran Employment awards to figure how the Department would like to conduct their awards.

Committee discussed how Nationals VE&E awards may not be a complete fit for our Department and decided to only use a modified version of Nationals awards.

Chairman Cook 6<sup>th</sup> District motioned, seconded by Sarah Mast 1<sup>st</sup> District to have the Committee create a Department VE&E award for Veterans Employment in a Private Business or Non-profit in Small, Medium, and Large Category mimicking Nationals criteria with the exception of a point system to eliminate the need for debate on who a winner is.

## **Motion Passed**

Thom Stan 11<sup>th</sup> District motions, seconded by Dennis Dickey 3<sup>rd</sup> District to amend motion to withhold the awards creation until fall meeting when resolution is completed and presented to DEC.

## **Motion Passed**

Chairman Dittebrand requested Coordinator Brault send out contact information of Committee members, minutes, and National award criteria.

7. Good of the Legion – None Reported
8. Adjourned- Meeting adjourned at 6:42 PM.