

include discussions on recent legislation, a total force GI Bill, remedial education programs and other needs of Iraq War veterans, use of private and corporate funds to support educational programs, and a contract call center. Oral statements from the public will be heard at 3:15 p.m. On October 6, the Committee will review and summarize issues addressed during this meeting.

Interested persons may file written statements to the Committee before the meeting, or within 10 days after the meeting, with Mrs. Judith B. Timko, Designated Federal Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs, Veterans Benefits Administration (225B), 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420. Any member of the public wishing to attend the meeting should contact Mrs. Judith B. Timko or Mr. Robyn Noles at (202) 273-7187.

Dated: September 15, 2006.

By Direction of the Secretary.

E. Philip Riffin,

Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee on Former Prisoners of War; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that the Advisory Committee on Former Prisoners of War (FPOW) has scheduled a meeting for October 16-18, 2006, in room 2452, at the Jesse Brown Medical Center, 820 S. Damen Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. The meeting will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. The meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on the administration of benefits under title 38, United States Code, for veterans who are former prisoners of war, and to make recommendations on the needs of such veterans for compensation, health care, and rehabilitation.

On October 16, the meeting will include an introduction of Committee members, remarks from dignitaries, a review of Committee reports, an update of Committee activities, and time for FPOW veterans and/or the public to address the Committee. On October 17, the Committee will receive reports from the Veterans Health Administration and the Veterans Benefits Administration. The Committee will also get an update from the Robert E. Mitchell Center for Prisoner of War Studies. On October 18, the Committee's medical and

administrative work groups will meet to discuss their activities and report back to the Committee. Additionally, the Committee will review issues discussed throughout the meeting to compile a report to be sent to the Secretary.

Members of the public may ask questions or submit written statements for review by the Committee in advance of the meeting to Ms. Linda Piquet, Compensation and Pension Service (21), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans will be held from October 24-25, 2006 in Anchorage, Alaska, at various sites within the VA Medical Center (VAMC), 2925 DeBarr Road. The meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretary on the Administration of VA benefits and services to minority veterans, to assess the needs of minority veterans and to evaluate whether VA compensation, medical and rehabilitation services, outreach, and other programs are meeting those needs. The Committee will make recommendations to the Secretary regarding such activities.

On October 24, the Committee will meet from 8 a.m. to 12 noon (Suite 3614) in the VAMC. The Committee will hold panel discussions with key staff members from the Alaska VA Health Center Care System, Regional Office, and Fort Richardson National Cemetery on services and benefit delivery challenges, successes and concerns for the Anchorage area veterans.

On October 25, the Committee will meet from 8 a.m. to 12 noon at the Alaska Native Medical Center located on 4315 Diplomacy Drive (Room 1&2) to hold a panel discussion with Native tribal leadership on their concerns, assessments and observations of Alaskan Native veteran's needs. Following this discussion, the Committee will hold a panel discussion

with area Veterans Service Organizations at Northway Mall, 3101 Penland Parkway (Suite A-12) beginning at 3:30 p.m. and adjourning at 4:30 p.m. The Committee will hold a town hall meeting at the Anchorage Marriott Downtown, 820 West 7th Avenue in the Juneau/Haines conference rooms beginning at 6:30 p.m. and adjourning at 8:30 p.m.

The Committee will accept written comments from interested parties on issues outlined in the meeting agenda, as well as other issues affecting minority veterans. Such comments should be referred to the Committee at the following address; Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans, Center for Minority Veterans (00M), U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420.

For additional information about the meeting, please contact Ms. Juanita Mullen or Ms. Renae Allen at (202) 273-6708.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Performance Review Board Members

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 4314(c) (4) agencies are required to publish a notice in the **Federal Register** of the appointment of Performance Review Board (PRB) members. This notice updates the VA Performance Review Board of the Department of Veterans Affairs that was published in the **Federal Register** on October 24, 2005 (Vol. 70, No. 204).

DATES: *Effective Date:* September 22, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Charlotte Moment, Office of Human Resources Management (052B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-8165.

VA Performance Review Board (PRB)

R. Allen Pittman, Assistant Secretary for Human Resources and Administration (Chairperson)
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Sharon K. Barnes, Deputy Chief of Staff (Alternate)

Ronald R. Aument, Deputy Under Secretary for Benefits, Veterans Benefits Administration
Michael Walcoff, Associate Deputy Under Secretary for Operations, Veterans Benefits Administration (Alternate)
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William F. Feeley, Assistant Deputy Under Secretary for Health for

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Rita Reed, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Budget
Jon A. Wooditch, Deputy Inspector General

Robert T. Howard, Executive Director
Kenneth M. Greenberg, Executive Secretary to the Department
Richard Wannemacher, Jr., Senior Advisor, National Cemetery Administration

Dated: September 19, 2006.

R. James Nicholson,

Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

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