



## **2022 Conference Agenda**

**July 17-20, 2022**

**WI-FI Network Name: @Hyatt\_Meeting**

**Access Code: WAVES**

### **Sunday, July 17, 2022**

- 1:00-5:00 PM**      **Conference Registration**  
*Multnomah Room (Level One)*
- 5:00-9:00 PM**      **Complimentary Shuttle Service**  
*Downtown or Pearl District or Nob Hill*  
*Pick-up Front Lobby*
- 6:00-8:00 PM**      **Welcome Reception**  
*Restaurant (Level One)*

### **Monday, July 18, 2022**

- 7:00-8:30 AM**      **Breakfast**  
*Deschutes Ballroom (Level One)*
- 7:00-8:30 AM**      **Conference Registration**  
*Multnomah Room (Level One)*  
*Registration will be open during breaks*
- 8:30-10:30 AM**      **New Certifying Official (2 years or less)**  
*Training for new school certifying officials*  
*Presenter: Marit Solem, National Training Team*  
*Regency Ballroom (Level Two)*
- Advanced Certifying Official Training**  
*Training for experienced school certifying officials*  
*Presenter: Traveon Ward Sr., National Training Team*  
*Regency Ballroom (Level Two)*  
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10:30-11:00 AM	<i>Break</i>
11:00-12:00 PM	<b>Breakout Session 1:</b> <b>Work-study</b> <b>(Approved SCO Training Credit)</b> <i>Presenter: Kevin White, Muskogee RPO</i> <i>Regency Ballroom (Level Two)</i>
	<b>Breakout Session 2:</b> <b>VRRAP</b> <b>(Approved SCO Training Credit)</b> <i>Presenter: Marit Solem</i> <i>Regency Ballroom (Level Two)</i>
12:00-1:30 PM	<b>Lunch Provided</b> <i>Deschutes Ballroom (Level One)</i>
1:30-2:00 PM	<b>General Session – Welcome</b> <i>Tracy Copeland, President</i> <i>Regency Ballroom (Level Two)</i>
2:00-2:30 PM	<b>Muskogee RPO Updates</b> <i>Presenter: TBD</i> <i>Regency Ballroom (Level Two)</i>
2:30-3:00 PM	<i>Break (Refreshments Served)</i>
3:00-4:00 PM	<b>Student Veterans of America</b> <i>Presenter: Jared Lyon,</i> <i>President and CEO</i> <i>Regency Ballroom (Level Two)</i>
4:00-5:00 PM	<b>State Approving Agency Up-dates</b> <i>Presenter: Laura Bach, Washington State</i> <i>Regency Ballroom (Level Two)</i>
5:00-9:00 PM	<b>Complimentary Shuttle Service</b> <i>Downtown or Pearl District or Nob Hill</i> <i>Pick-up Front Lobby</i>
6:00-9:00 PM	<b>Hospitality Suite</b> <i>Columbia, Rooms One and Two (Level Three)</i>

**Tuesday, July 19, 2022**

- 7:00-8:30 AM            **Breakfast**  
Deschutes Ballroom (Level One)
- 8:30-9:30 AM            **General Session - VA Central Office Updates**  
Presenter: TBD  
Regency Ballroom (Level Two)
- 9:30-10:00 AM           **Break**
- 10:00-11:00 AM         **VA Central Office Up-dates  
Question and Answer Session**  
Presenter: TBD  
Regency Ballroom (Level Two)
- 11:00-12:00 PM         **85/15 Up-dates  
(Approved SCO Training Credit)**  
Presenter: Katherine Caruso, National Training Team  
Regency Ballroom (Level Two)
- 12:00-1:30 PM           **Lunch on Your Own**
- 1:30-2:30 PM            **Isakson & Roe up-dates  
(Approved SCO Training Credit)**  
Presenter: Thomas Alphonso, National Training Team  
Regency Ballroom (Level Two)
- 2:30-3:30 PM            **Digital GI Bill – Modernization at VA: Chatbot**  
Presenter: Joseph Preisser, National Training Team  
Regency Ballroom (Level Two)  
**(Approved SCO Training Credit)**
- 3:30-4:00 PM            **Break (Refreshment Provided)**
- 4:00-5:00 PM            **State Breakout Sessions**  
Columbia Rooms 1, 2, 3  
Willamette Rooms 1, 3, 5, 7  
Deschutes Ballroom  
(Meeting rooms will be assigned at later date)
- 6:30-9:00 PM            **President’s Reception**  
Regency Ballroom (Level Two)

## Wednesday, July 20, 2022

7:00-8:00 AM	<b>Breakfast</b> Deschutes Ballroom (Level One)
8:00-9:00 AM	<b>Introduction to Enrollment Manager (formerly VA-ONCE)</b> <b>(Approved SCO Training Credit)</b> Presenter: Shay Norton, National Training Team
9:00-9:45 AM	<b>WAVES Business Meeting and Awards</b> Presenter: Tracy Copeland, President (Elections will be held for Executive Board) Regency Ballroom (Level Two)
9:45-10:00 AM	Break
10:00 – 11:15 AM	<b>Veteran Readiness and Employment (VR&amp;E) up-dates</b> Presenter: TBD Regency Ballroom (Level Two)
11:15-12:00 PM	<b>Tungsten Up-dates</b> Presenter: TBD Regency Ballroom (Level Two)
12:00-1:30 PM	<b>Lunch provided</b> Deschutes Ballroom (Level One)
1:30-2:30 PM	<b>Compliance Surveys</b> <b>(Approved SCO Training Credit)</b> Presenter: Paula West, National Training Team Regency Ballroom (Level Two)
2:30-3:30 PM	<b>Debt Management</b> <b>(Approved SCO Training Credit)</b> Presenter: TBD Regency Ballroom (Level Two)
5:00-9:00 PM	<b>Complimentary Shuttle Service</b> Downtown or Pearl District or Nob Hill Pick-up Front Lobby

**Thank you for attending!!!**

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