



Hooshdoodii To' Veterans Organization

(Whippoorwill Chapter)

Commander: Allen Barlow
Vice- Commander: Lillie Buckhorse
Secretary/Treasurer: Shandiin Bahe
Representative: Raymond Joe

January 4, 2026

AGENDA

1. Meeting called to order:
2. Invocation By:
3. Roll Call:
 - Allen Barlow, Commander
 - Lillie Buckhorse, Vice-Commander
 - Shandiin Bahe, Secretary
 - Raymond Joe, Representative

Attending members and guests in meeting will be considered present by sign-in sheet.

4. Introduction of Guests:
5. Review and Approval of Meeting Agenda:
 - a. Any add on to agenda
 - b. Motion by:
 - c. Second by:
 - d. Votes: In Favor ____ Opposed ____ Abstained ____

5.Reports:

1. Commander
 - a. Whippoorwill Chapter Veterans Fund (\$17,710.98) + (\$53.00)
 - b. Overlooked veteran budget #16 will be submitted for approval in Chapter Mtg.
 - c. Requests for Turkey Giveaway and Christmas dinner quotes were denied.
 - d. The same thing with our requests for office supplies ... denied.
 - e. Was told to submit resolution and get approval through chapter meeting by the community before we start using our veterans fund.
 - f. Topics at CNVO mtg. Dec 19, 2025
 - a. Codification: Process of arranging rules into a systematic formal code for clarity. Work session scheduled for February 7 @ Ft Defiance Agency Office, 10 am
 - b. Resolution submitted for Stipend Increase: Color Guard, Color Guard.
 - c. Resolution of No Confidence: Veteran Liasion Demetria Simms for too many leadership titles.
 - g. Convert Turkey giveaway to food boxes? Any ideas on gifts?





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Meeting Minutes

Date: January 04, 2026 | Time: 1:30 PM

Location: To'bahoolin Mee' Meat Hall (Loretta Denny Residences)

1. Call to Order

- ❖ The meeting was called to order by **Allen Barlow**.
- ❖ **Clarence Bahe Jr.** delivered the invocation.

2. Roll Call:

- ❖ Allen Barlow, Commander, **was present**.
- ❖ Lillie Buckhorse, Vice-Commander, **was present**.
- ❖ Shandiin Bahe, Secretary/Treasurer, **was present**.
- ❖ Raymond Joe, Representative, **was Absent**.
- ❖ There were 15 Veterans in attendance.

3. Review and Approval of Agenda

- ❖ **Motion** by Lillie Buckhorse
- ❖ **Second** by Shandiin Bahe
- ❖ **Votes: 10 in favor | 0 opposed | 1 abstained**

4. Reports and Announcements

- ❖ Commander – Allen Barlow
 - **Whippoorwill Chapter Veterans Fund Balance:** \$17,710.98 (+\$53.00)
 - Overlooked Veteran Budget #16 will be submitted for approval at the Chapter meeting.
 - Requests for Turkey Giveaway and Christmas Dinner quotes were denied.
 - Requests for office supplies were denied; directions given to submit a resolution and obtain Chapter and community approval before use of Veterans funds.
 - Previous Quotes will be resubmitted for Office Supplies.
 - **CNVO Meeting (Dec. 19, 2025):**
 - Codification: Process of arranging rules into a formal, systematic code for clarity. Work session scheduled for **February 7 at Ft Defiance Agency Office, 10:00 AM.**





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- Resolution submitted for stipend increase (Color Guard).
- Resolution of No Confidence: Veteran Liaison Demetria Simms (noted for multiple leadership titles).
- Motion approved to **convert Turkey Giveaway to food boxes.**
 - **Motion** by Tibb Armboy
 - **Second** by Herbert Maize
 - **Vote:** In Favor 10 | Opposed 0 | Abstained 1
 - Gift ideas discussed included Pendleton blankets, T-shirts, and purchase orders to allow recipients to select needed items.
- ❖ Vice-Commander – Lillie Buckhorse
 - Participated and signed the Budget for HTVO FY 2026.
 - No additional report
- ❖ Secretary – Shandiin Bahe
 - Will reach out regarding **DD-214 via email or text** so we can have it on file.

5. Old Business

- ❖ Veteran Trust Fund (Total Allocation: \$48,893)
- ❖ Remaining Balances:
 - Hardship (Food): \$9,600
 - Energy (Firewood): \$9,600
 - Self Help (Building Materials): \$4,869 (Quote to be obtained from Home Depot)
 - Stipends: \$2,100
- ❖ Whippoorwill Chapter Veterans Fund (\$17,710.98)
 - Food Purchases: \$53.00
 - Food, catering, gifts/awards, supplies: \$17,710.98
- ❖ Notes: Supplies may include paper plates, plastic silverware, bowls, and office supplies (paper, ink, pens, etc.). No laptops, printers, scanners, chainsaws, or gift cards are allowed. Funds originate from the Navajo Nation General Fund.



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❖ **15 Veterans & Surviving Spouses** who have applied for VTF Financial Assistance for Hardship & Energy & Home Improvement.

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| 1. Vanessa Burke | 12. Harry John |
| 2. Lillie Buckhorse | 13. MacKenzie Tibb Armboy |
| 3. Donovan Denny | 14. Tibb Armboy |
| 4. David Belinte | 15. Tristan Tibb Armboy |
| 5. Bertha Laughing | 16. Samuel John Altsoba |
| 6. Alexander Altsoba | 17. Dan Bahe |
| 7. Lucy Goldtooth | 18. Shandiin Bahe |
| 8. Herbert Maize | 19. Allen Barlow |
| 9. Sarah Armboy | |
| 10. Ellouise James | |
| 11. Clarence Bahe Jr | |

6. **Announcements**

❖ Robert Ben would like to be added as a guest speaker at next meeting.

7. **Next Meeting**

❖ February 1st, 2026 at 11:00 AM

8. **Adjournment**

❖ January 4th, 2026 at 2:15 PM

❖ Motion by Tibb Armboy

❖ Second by Shandiin Bahe

❖ Votes: In Favor 10 | Opposed 0 | Abstained 1

Recorded by: Shandiin Bahe, Secretary/Treasurer

Approved by: _____ (Commander)

Date Approved: _____

h. Previous requests for office supplies, veteran mtg. menus will be re-submitted.

3. Vice-Commander Lillie Buckhorse
4. Secretary Shandiin Bahe
5. Representative Raymond Joe

6. Old Business:

1. Veteran Trust Fund (Total Allocation \$48,893)

Remaining Balances:

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| a. Hardship (food) \$400 | \$9,600 |
| b. Energy (firewood) \$400 | 9,600 |
| c. Self-Help (bldg materials) \$212 | 4,869 |
| d. Stipends | 2,100 |

2. Whippoorwill Chapter Veterans Fund (\$17,710.98)

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| a. Food Purchases | \$ 53.00 |
| b. Food, catering, gifts/awards, supplies | 17,710.98 |

Note: Supplies can be used for paper plates, plastic silverware, paper bowls, etc. Can also be used for office supplies like printing paper, ink, highlighter, pens, etc, No Laptop, printer, scanner or chainsaw. AND NO Gift Cards. Chapter veterans fund comes from Navajo Nation General Fund.

7. New Business:

8. Announcements:

9. Next Meeting:

10. Adjournment At:

Motion By:

Second By:

Votes: In Favor ____ Opposed ____ Abstained ____