



OJO ENCINO VETERANS ORGANIZATION

Ojo Encino Chapter – ENA HCR 79, Box 1500 Cuba, New Mexico 87013

Sherilynne Juan, Commander Shannon Toledo, Vice Commander Marian Morales, Secretary

Agenda

Sunday, October 19, 2025 @ 3:00 P.M.

Ojo Encino Chapter House

- I. Called meeting to order.
 - a. Invocation/moment of silence:
- II. Review/adopt agenda.
 - Motion: Seconded Vote:
- III. Read/approve last meeting minutes: September 14, 2025
 - Motion: Second: Votes
- IV. Reports/Presentation:
 - a. Delegate(s)
 - b. Chapter official
 - c. Commander
 - d. Vice command
 - e. Secretary
 - f. Color guard/honor guard CMDR
- V. Old Business:
- VI. **New Business: (Action Items and non-Action):**
 - a. VTF policy changes/resolution amendments
 - b. Legislation 168-25
 - c. Registration Fiscal Year 2026
 - d. Forming committees for Veterans Day program
 - e. December winter luncheon with gifting of Jackets
 - 1. Carhart black jackets
 - 2. Sizes needed for all registered members
- VII. Announcement(s):
 - a. Veterans Day NNVA November 3, 2025, NTU Crownpoint NM 8am
 - b. Veterans Day November 11, 2025
- VIII. Next OEVO meeting:
 - 1. November 16, 2025 @ 3:00 P.M.
 - 2. December 21, 2025 @ 3:00 P.M.
 - 3. January 18, 2026 @ 3:00 P.M.
- IX. Adjournment:





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Regular Meeting Minutes

Sunday, October 19, 2025, 3:00 pm

- I. Called meeting to order at 3:16 pm by Commander Juan
 - A. Invocation/moment of silence: Surviving spouse, Lenora Mace

- II. Review/adopt agenda:
 - Motion: Veteran Olsen Juan motions to approve with an open agenda.
 - Second: Veteran Jerry Toledo
 - Votes: 11-in favor, 0-Opposed, 6-Abstained

- III. Read/approve last meeting minutes: Secretary Morales read the September 14, 2025, mtg. mins.
 - Motion: Veteran Olsen Juan motions to approve the meeting minutes
 - Second: Surviving spouse, Sue Largo
 - Votes: 12-in favor, 0-Opposed, 6-Abstained

- IV. Report(s):
 - a. Delegates: no report not present
 - b. Chapter Official: no report not present
 - c. Commander: Commander Juan talked about the VTF policy changes and resolution amendments and the Legislation 168-25. The Navajo Nation Veteran Trust Fund is the financial resource for Navajo Veterans, administered by the NNVA, Navajo Nation Veterans Administration. The changes they are considering changing are the eligibility to receive funds, such as dishonorable or other than dishonorable discharged. This also includes the surviving spouses. The policies on processing the payments and budgets are also in review for changes. There was some discussion on the policies from several Veterans and family members on the amendments of the legislation. All comments and suggestions will be considered in the resolutions. The commander has been going to several Agency meetings on the legislation 168-25, which was certified in September 2025 and is part of a



larger effort to update the laws governing the veterans' affairs. Commander Juan will be updating and emailing on all the updates on the amendments with the Legislation 168-25. Commander also mentioned going with the idea of 501C organization and getting grants from the state to fund more for financial needs for our OEVO members. The process involves grant writing and bylaws and policies of its own. She stated that she has invited the Air Force and the National Guard for the Veterans' Day appreciation event on November 14, 2025. We also need volunteers for the color guards and still need to establish a committee to plan the event. There will be catering for the food and hopefully awards for parade participants and students. She is still looking for a guest speaker for the event and Chapter official Brandon Sam will be the MC.

- d. Vice Commander: Vice Commander, Shannon Toledo reported on the meeting with the Ojo Encino Day School on the Veterans' Appreciation event scheduled for November 14, 2025. She reported that there will be many honored guests from surrounding communities from Torreon Day School and Cuba Schools. We still need to get a committee together to plan the event with decorations and do a program schedule asap.
- e. Secretary: no report

V. Old Business:

- a. Hogan: At the last meeting, Commander reported that the Hogan will be demolished and will not be fixed or remodeled due to many red tapes. Commander reported that the Chapter has proposed to request a land withdrawal. With the land withdrawal the Hogan will be remodeled.

VI. New Business: (Action Items and non-Action):

- a. VTF policy changes/resolution amendments: Commander's report and the next meeting will be in Gallup, NM at the King Dragon on October 25, 2025, at 2:00 pm on Legislation 168-25.
- b. Legislation 168-25: Commander's report
- c. Registration FY2026: Commander informed all veterans to update their membership and submit all the required documents needed.
- d. Forming committees for Veteran Day program: Commander asked the surviving spouse to assist in decoration and volunteers to plan the event.
- e. December Winter luncheon with gifting of Jackets will be at the December 21, 2025, meeting.
 - 1. Carhart Black Jackets
 - 2. Sizes needed for all registered members
- f. Vote: no confidence resolution: will be presented at the next meeting

VII. Announcement(s):

- A. Veterans Day NNVA November 3, 2025, NTU Crownpoint, NM 8:00 am
- B. Veterans Day November 11, 2025

VIII. Next OEVO meeting: every third Sunday of each month

- 1. November 16, 2025 @3:00 pm

2. December 21, 2025 @3:00 pm
3. January 18, 2025 @3:00 pm

IX. Adjournment: Commander adjourned the meeting at 6:29 pm. Majority in favor.
Record submitted by: Secretary Marian Morales
Commander Juan

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