

**Ganado Veterans Organization
Minutes
December 10, 2025**



- I. Meeting Called To Order -
- II. Invocation – Vice Commander Lawrence Lano
- III. Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence – Commander Nate Gorman – Navajo Nation Swingers sung Flag Song
- IV. Roll Call of Officers and Sign In – Officers All Present, Jamison James, not present,
Guests; NNVA Director Bobbie Ann Baldwin, Kinlichee Veterans Organization Secretary Karen Shirley, Miss KDLO Dinay Curtis and mother Carmelita Austin, members of Navajo Nation Swinger and Rosanna Louis, surviving spouse of Jamison James
- V. Review and Adoption of Agenda – Correction on date of next meeting from 1/16/2025 to 1/16/2026 – motion to accept Henrietta White with 2nd by Lena Henderson Vote: 13 yay, 0 opposed, 1 abstain
- VI. Review and Adoption of Minutes – 11/14/2025 – As is with a vote of 12 yay, 0 opposed, 1 abstain. Impromptu discussion of Memorandum of Understanding and status. Chapter said they do not have a copy. Vice Commander said it was to be reviewed by NN Department of Justice in Window Rock. Deleted will need to be included but they were not included in current MOU.
- VII. Reports
 - A. Commander –Strategic Planning Committee to handle Plan of Operation before April. Committee will also handle the MOU.
 - B. Vice Commander – MOU needs to be updated and brought before veterans and voted on. Soles For Soles, two special needs students were identified and try to give to the students before Christmas. Apache County donated two turkeys and one ham to GVO for New Years. Soles For Soles have identified two special needs students who need assistance with clothes and shoes. Donations were taken.
 - C. Secretary – Funds for Veterans policy needs to be followed so Ganado Chapter doesn't get audited. Committees for each year needs to be displaced then reconstituted for new fiscal year. New road to be discussed from Burnside to Klagetoh.
 - D. Color Guard/Honor Guard – 11/7/25-Ganado Pre Veterans Day Celebration, 11/10/25 Apache County Veterans Day Appreciation, 11/11/25 Kinlichee Veterans Day Parade, 11/17/25 Honor Guard for Vietnam Veteran for Frank Wauneka, 12/4/25 Honor Guard

for Jamison James, 12/10/25 Apache County Dedication for new Veterans themed equipment.

Break for Christmas dinner and Entertainment

VIII. Old Business

- A. VTF – NNVA Director Bobbie Ann Baldwin on General Funds and Budget Instruction Manual. \$3 million dollars with each agency receiving \$600,000 per agency with \$20,000 for Honor Guard, \$20,000 for Color Guard, \$20,000 for Burial, \$300,000 for Home Improvement, \$120,000 for Hardship, \$120,000 for Energy. **Balances:** \$20,000 for Honor Guard, \$19,600 for Color Guard, \$17,500 for Burial, \$189,321 for Home Improvement, \$81,242 for Hardship, \$83,060 for Energy. Balance for Ganado is \$2,475 for Stipends, \$3,404 for Hardship, \$3,404 for Energy, \$12,00 for Home Improvement. For fiscal year 2025 carryover for the entire agency was \$3,378 with carry over in January for Ganado for \$129. **MOU** for Veterans Building and inability to use the kitchen, Ms Yazzie from Division of Health was contacted and situation will be brought to her attention. From GVO, provide a resolution to Vince James indicating we want to negotiate the MOU. Liability for use of the building will need to have attorneys involved. Put together a resolution for \$12 million and ask the State of Arizona to create a new veterans building. If a resolution is created in two weeks, Bobbie can give it to lawmakers at the Arizona Veterans Caucus meeting. **Home Improvement:** Contract approved for home improvement so those who are on the list will be getting a call to begin the process.
- B. Legislation 168-25 / CO – Tabled and moved to the Strategic Planning Meeting on 12/5/25
- C. 501(c) Update – Tabled and moved to the Strategic Planning Meeting on 12/5/25
- D. Logo – Tabled and moved to the Strategic Planning Meeting on 12/5/25
- E. Soles for Souls – Addresses in the Vice Commanders Report

IX. New Business

- A. Bobbie Ann Baldwin -
 - B. Talking Circle – Scheduled for 12/11/25 at the Ganado Chapter Hogan at 9:00 AM for Jamison James or any item you wish to talk about.
 - C. Guests and Entertainment
 - D. Strategic Committee Formation – Meeting set for Friday, December 12, 2025
- X. Announcements – Ganado Community Christmas Dinner on Friday, 12/12/25,
- A. Next GVO Meeting- Friday, January 16, 2025 at 1:00 PM

XI. Adjournment - 3:46 PM



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27. Nothing follows		