

**Ganado Veterans Organization
Minutes
November 14, 2025**



- I. Meeting Called To Order
 - Commander Nate Gorman called meeting to order at 1410
- II. Invocation
 - Vice Commander Lawrence Lano
- III. Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence
 - Commander Nate Gorman
- IV. Roll Call of Officers and Sign In Sheet
 - Commander Nate Gorman, Vice Commander Lawrence Lano and Secretary Steven Dale all present
- V. Review and Adoption of Agenda
 - Motion to adopt agenda by Tommy James and second by Former Commander Gordon Gorman. 17 yay 0 opposed 1 abstention
- VI. Review and Adoption Minutes - 10/10/2025
 - Minutes from 10/10/25 need to be amended. No vote on acceptance.
- VII. Reports
 - A. Commander
 - VTF Distribution, 65 apply with 8 new known. NNVA informed that \$1615 left for self help
 - Attended Ft. Defiance Agency commanders meeting at Kinlichee 10/3/2025
 - Ganado Hornets Homecoming, color guard and float 10/10/2025
 - Change of Command Ceremony GVO Veterans Building 10/10/2025
 - Ganado Chapter Meeting, gave Veterans Quarterly Report 10/20/25
 - Eastern Agency Commanders VTF Workshop - Gallup 10/25/25
 - Clothing Items and Firewood Distribution at GVO Veterans Building - 10/30/25
 - Kinlichee Veterans Organization Meeting - 11/2/25
 - GVO Pre Veterans Day Event, Ganado Chapter House - 11/7/25
 - Marine Corps Ball - 11/8/25



B. Vice Commander

- Need for office supplies
- Coal from Chapter

C. Secretary

- General observations and announcements

D. Color Guard/Honor Guard

- Color Guard Intro
- 10/3/25 Ft. Defiance Agency Commanders Meeting - Kinlichee
- 10/4/25 Northern Navajo Parade
- 10/10/25 Hornets Homecoming Parade
- 11/7/25 Ganado Pre Veterans Day
- 11/10/25 Apache County Veterans Day Event
- 11/11/21 Kinlichee Veterans Day Parade
- Mr. Curtis - Diné College Requested color guard for May graduation. Possibility of color guard for December graduation.

VIII. Old Business

- Pre Veterans Day Celebration
 - a. Former Secretary Lenah Henderson gave report on attendance and outcome
- VTF Distribution and Veteran Registration
 - a. Some veterans did not get full amount
 - b. New veterans registering
 - c. Request to ask for appeal on denied VTF fund

IX. New Business

- A. Veterans Trust Fund Policy** -Tabled by request from Ft. Defiance Agency Commander 1SG Kyle Lewis
- B. Legislation 168-25** – Tabled for same reason as VTF
- C. 501(c) Update** -request for committee to begin formulation of by-laws and conflict of interest. Request to form GVO Strategic Plan Committee to cover different areas including 501(c), VTF, 168-25, and PVDC. Vice Commander Lano made motion to form GVO Strategic Planning Committee, 2nd by Lenah Henderson.. Vote 16 yay, 0 nay, 1 abstention.
- D. New Veterans -Welcome Home Committee.** Announcing and making priority and requests for any service member that is leaving the military.

- E. Soles For Soles – Shoes and clothes for underprivileged children. Calls for donations and if any children are in need. GVO Secretary said the schools have programs that keep an eye out for children in need.
- F. Logo – Tabled until next meeting. We are in the process of making examples to vote upon. Description of logo: Color will include Ganado Red with rug design on inside border. Ganado Mucho in the center, Twin Warriors symbols on either side. Suggestions to include six Navajo stars to represent the six branches of service. Also a suggestion of including reeds to represent Lok'aa in the name of Ganado. Also a suggestion of the Round Top Butte.
- G. Pre Veterans Day Celebration 2026 – Will be part of the GVO Strategic Planning Committee
- H. Veterans Building Decoration – Requesting decoration from GVO members. Need to request chapter to bring down the veterans display that is behind the podium. Senior/Veterans Building usage. Staff tried to prevent GVO from using dining room. Other organizations are attempting or have already used the building for their use. Need to speak with Larry Tsosie, Chapter Manager, to review MOU and ask to discourage use of this building for other groups. Suggestions to install security cameras.
- X. Announcements
- Food Distribution from S. Mary's through Sage Memorial – 12/1/2025 – Chris White, USMC veteran and Ganado Chapter President
 - Navajo Nation Purple Heart Nation 11/4/2025
 - Next GVO Meeting- Friday, December 5, 2025 at 1pm
 - Firewood distribution for GVO in November – To be announced
 - Free Firewood Distribution from Leupp. Monica Monroe – (928) 637-3223.
 - Ganado Chapter Meeting- 11/17/2025 at 6pm
 - Ganado Chapter Planning Meeting- 12/2/2025 at 6pm
 - Ganado Community Christmas Luncheon – 12/12/2025
 - Ganado Chapter Meeting- 12/16/2025 at 6pm
 - Gourd Dancing for two veterans in Many Farms on 11/22/2025
 - Potluck Dinner for next GVO meeting on 12/5/2025

XI. Adjournment – 5:39 pm

GANADO VETERANS ORGANIZATION

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19. <u>Robert L. Tracy</u>		
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