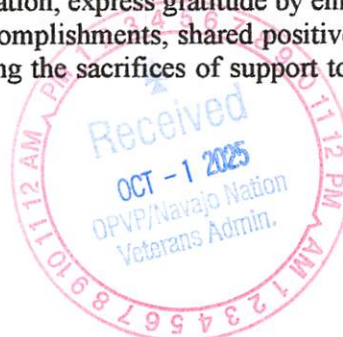


Ganado Veterans Organization
Regular Meeting Minutes
Ganado Senior/Veterans Building
September 12, 2025 10:00 am

- I. Meeting call to Order, Commander Gordon Gorman, at 1027hrs.
Attendees: GVO Thirty-three Members, Guest: Navajo Nation Veterans Administration Veterans Service Officer, Fallyn Begay.
- II. Invocation: Steven Kee
- III. Pledge of Allegiance/Moment Of Silence- Commander Gordon Gorman
- IV. (Roll Call): Announced by GVO Secretary/Treasurer L. Henderson – Cmdr Gorman, Vice Cmdr L. Lano, All Officers Present.
- V. REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA for September 12, 2025 Regular GVO Meeting – Commander called the meeting to approve the agenda. Agenda review for questions, additions and Changes, Announcement Agenda Item 10a. Commander elaborate Next GVO Meeting remains open due to upcoming new elected GVO Officers, approximate date unknown (subject to change per motion party) Steven Kee called for Motion, was made and seconded by Henrietta Smith, the attendees voted approve the agenda, with additional Changes.
VOTES: Motion: 19 Opposed 00 Abstention: 01 Motion Carried
- VI. REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF MINUTES for August 21, 2025 Regular GVO Meeting – Commander called the meeting to approve the agenda. Voted “As is” Tommy James Jr. called for Motion, was made and seconded by Clarence Shay, the attendees voted approve the agenda.
VOTES: Motion: 19 Opposed 00 Abstention: 01 Motion Carried
- VII. Reports-
 - a. Commanders Report- Cmdr. G. Gorman expressed Navajo Nation Council has approved the budget with an Allocation of \$91,267.00 for Ganado Veterans Organization. Briefly update NNVA changes pertaining to enrollment, registration and meeting attendance. This year one time allocation distribution rather than through a reoccurring or continuous process to ensure transparency and fairness in compensation. Vice Commander Lano shared all members to received equal pay impacts the role including Gold Star Mother. Secretary Henderson offer solutions, How about supporting letter? Or adding a late item? Additional recommendations seek enrollment and eligibility requirements. Other recommendations review NNVA Policy and Procedures Request, online registrations renewal mentioned for reapplying and update existing information a digital process thru portal’ another method for conveniences. Cmdr., expressed his years of service including milestone recognitions, ‘through the years providing excellence service for our Veterans has been an success” “Thank You”.
 - b. Vice Commanders Report- Express appreciation for members, their hard work, contributions, events, include celebrations, showing a value member, shared success stories. September 28th, 2025 Gold Star Mothers Day at The Navajo Nations Veterans Park.
 - c. GVO Secretary Report- Thank veteran organization, express gratitude by emphasizing the commitment serving veterans, recognizing accomplishments, shared positive experiences with members and their families acknowledging the sacrifices of support to the veterans community.



- d. Honor/Color Guard Report- providing support and color / honor guards focus on presenting and posting duties upon request.

All reports combine together per Commander Gordon Gorman including NNVA Fallyn Begay. Motion by Lorenzo Larry Second by Robert Tracey.

VOTES: Motion: 27 Opposed 00 Abstention: 01 Motion Carried

VIII. OLD BUSINESS-None

IX. NEW BUSINESS-

- a. Update Veterans Registration 2025/2026 Fort Defiance Agency Veterans Administration Fallyn Begay, VSO reviewed NN Veterans Trust Fund Financial Assistance Program Policies provided detail Pursuant to 12 N.N.C SS1172 & 1176. VSO provided updated financial assistance whom qualify Navajo veterans base on the current veteran population including surviving spouse and Gold Star families. Grants are awarded to all applicants that meet all requirements and update request for financial assistance. Additional plans in NNVA work of scope including advance transition from functional department structure to divisional structure involves phase execution to continue to navigate significant organizational change. To ensure careful management of resource allocation and operational integration to long term success. Ms. Begay continually expressed GVO organizational enrollment (GVO 2024 Enrolled Veterans 117, 2025 to 56 includes surviving spouse, Gold Star Parent) simply changes due to many factors which impacts allocations, officially registered and gains access to services and programs continues regardless of enrollment, additional detail specific process as policy requirements, all participates adhered to meet policy standards.

- b. Consideration to Approve Ganado Veterans Organization FY 2026 Trust Fund Budget

Note: Original Allocation	\$8,110,258.00
Carryover	\$ 340,135.92
Total Allocation	\$8,443,885.00
Fort Defiance Agency	\$1,698,220.00

GVO FY2026 Budge Shall GVO Allocation Amount \$91,267

Note: Performance Investments 2 year prior (2024) Earned Interest and Income

GVO FY2026 VTF Allocation as follows:

(37 Male Vets./10 female Vets., Surv.Sps.,08 and GSP.01)

Hardship (Food) \$15,833.50 Cap. \$282.00x56

Energy(Wood)\$15,833.50 Cap. \$282.00x56

Self Help (Door) \$56,000.00 (\$1000.00 per participant)

Stipends \$3600.00 3 CVO Officers

(12 reg. meetings & 04 agency meetings)

Total Amt. Dist. per participant \$1,564.00

Note: GVO FY2025 VTF Allocation \$77,836.00 increased by \$13,431.00

* Color Guard and Honor Guard covered by General Funds, Also Chapter Sixteen separate from VTF and General Funds.

Steven Kee called for Motion, was made and seconded by Scott George, the attendees voted FY 2026 Budget Allocation for Ganado Veterans Organization approved.

VOTES: Motion: 22 Opposed 00 Abstention: 01 Motion Carried

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. Next GVO Meeting, September 11, 2025 1300 Hours, Ganado Chapter.
- b. Next Ganado Chapter Planning Meeting, September 17, 2025, 6 pm

XI. ADJOURNMENT: At 1524 p.m

Minutes submitted by: Lenah Henderson, GVO Secretary/Treasurer, Completed by
09/15/2025@9:30

Approved by:  _____ Gordon Gorman, GVO Cmdr.,

GANADO VETERAN'S ORGANIZATION

SIGN IN SHEET

September 12, 2025



1. John Horman

Commander

2. Laurence Lano

Vice Commander

3. Janet Henderson

Secretary

4. _____

5. Ricky Crawford

6. Helen M. Knoch

7. ESK

8. Ronetta Yozzin

9. Sarah J. Nebo

10. Bonita James

11. Laurance Lano

12. Stewer Kee

13. Jack N. W.

14. Jimmie James J.

15. Scott George

16. Paulie P. Loney

17. Larry Larky

18. Maxine Tabaha

19. Clarence Shay

20. Henrietta Smith

21. Leah Nephi

22. Alfred Lano

23. Priscilla Quiintero

24. Tiko Tsinnijinnie

25. Maggie Kirk

26. Robert L. Tracy

27. Elmora Lano

28. Geraldine Kirk

29. Berta Kirk

30. Amelda James

31. Harold Blacksheep

32. Ben Kayaeni

33. Joseph Mora

34. Collier Greyhat

35. Nate Gorman

36. _____