



KIN DAH LICHII' CHAPTER VETERANS ORGANIZATION

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COMMANDER: Mr. Ericson Mann

VICE COMMANDER: Mr. Marvin Owens

SECRETARY: Ms. Karen Shirley

February 1, 2026

10:00 am

MINUTES



I. Meeting Called to Order by: Vice Commander Marvin Owens at 10:39 am

- Invocation: Jerry James
- Pledge of Allegiance: Secretary Karen Shirley
- Moment of Silence: All

II. Announcements: Any announcements from veterans?

- Happy 1st day in February.
- February 16, 2026 – President's Day Holiday
- Survey sent for NN veterans to complete.
- February 14, 2026 – San Carlos Veterans Stand Down 9 am – 3pm
- February 14th – Happy Valentine's Day 
- Marvin Metteba announced he attended the chapter meeting on January 18, 2026, he took it himself to speak for our veteran's organization is doing well. He mentioned that the 2nd round of funds is available for veterans and to attend the next meeting.
- VC Owens thanked everyone, it has been a rough 2 weeks. Have a few losses within our families and co-workers and thank you to those who donated. Last month I purchased a speaker with microphone at Home Depot and once we get a lock for our building, we will lock it up here. Donation for Natasha's loss and for the food which we try to feed you all.

III. Approval of Agenda:

- Motioned and 2nd by: Natasha Nelson / Hyson Largo
- Questions/Comments: Marvin Metteba asked if anyone attended the Agency meeting last Friday 1/30/2026? Due to KCVO's workday, no one attended. Commander Mann will ask for the Minutes from Agency CVOs.
- Vote: 17 In Favor 0 Opposed 2 Abstained

IV. Approval of Last Meeting Minutes: Secretary

- Motioned and 2nd by: Hyson Largo / Natasha Nelson
- Questions/Comments: Robert Wilson questioned about the spring trash pick-up? Secretary answered, will add that to new business for March 2026. Marvin Metteba also asked if anyone attended the All-Agency meeting held at Sanostee, NM? Commander will ask for a report from Commander Nathaniel Gorman.
- Vote: 14 In Favor 0 Opposed 3 Abstained

V. Unfinished Business: None

VI. Reports

1. Commander: Hello, I really have no report currently. I cannot access my email of any updates to share. I did assist with Honor Guards this past Friday, January 30, 2026, out in Gallup, NM. That's my report.
 - Motioned and 2nd by: Natasha Nelson / Marilyn Morris
 - Questions/Comments: No Comment

- Vote: 11 In Favor 0 Opposed 3 Abstained
2. Vice Commander: Good morning, happy February, just want to say to support one another. Again, I do not receive any emails from the Agency office. There are a few AZ standdowns, outreaches that are a good source for our veterans. Take the time to attend them and get some information that may be useful. Honoring kids of a veteran parent which we will discuss in new business. I took the opportunity to get our flags set up here, we asked for assistance and no one came to give us a hand. We are slowly getting our building up to date and still have lots to do. Let's have a quick meeting next month and afterwards clean up around our veterans building and have lunch afterwards. Thank you and have a good rest of the day.
 - Motioned and 2nd by: Marvin Metteba / Natasha Nelson
 - Questions/Comments: Robert Wilson comments on the global warning, keep using solar. I use that for my sheep camp, and it lights up my place. 100 amp is my solar and NTUA refuses their services to hook me up. Natasha Nelson comments saying thank you to VC Owens for bringing oatmeal and Secretary Karen for baking.
 - Vote: 13 In Favor 0 Opposed 3 Abstained
 3. Secretary: Afternoon, I would like to say thank you to those who assisted with donation for Natasha's loss of her partner who she cared for. I was also going through a loss of a family member which took a lot of my time, and I still managed to collect donations and deliver it to Oak Springs Chapter House. I contacted Commander Gorman with Ganado CVO and informed him of the loss of Clayton, and he got back to me stating they will do Honor Guards for him. Here Commander Mann assists with this and thanks commander for doing that for the family. I also thanked Commander Gorman. I had our office supply list ready and turned it into the Chapter House to assist us with price quotes and right away, staff stated she could not get the quotes for us. She did give me where to get quotes from, and I am still working on it. I also notified 3 veterans who live over 150-mile radius to turn in their requests to me right away through email. I sent them the forms to complete and that I received and just need commanders' approval. Chapter officials asked me to assist them with names, phone and residential addresses from our veterans and SS who needs their septic tank cleaned out. I have a list here and if you still need that, please add your information. Next month I will add to new business our spring 2026 trash pick-up. This is my report and you all have a good day.
 - Motioned and 2nd by: Natasha Nelson / Marilyn Morris
 - Questions/Comments: Marvin Metteba asked why office staff could not assist with our price quotes. Commander responded that she could not do the quotes at this time. Since we do not have a chapter manager, I have been going back in fourth with that and my other work.
 - Vote: 14 In Favor 0 Opposed 3 Abstained

VII: New Business

1. Revised Plan of Operation: Tabled until April 2026
2. Honoring kids (loss of their veteran parent): Date set for honoring kids: April 18, 2026. We have our menu and will work on getting quotes and turn that into the Chapter House for approval. Plus, order T-shirts. SS present gave list of their adult children with size of shirts. Will also contact others to send me their size and name. T-shirts will be black with KCVO logo on the back and will add a yellow ribbon on the left side. VC announced to have those here to bring a 12 pack of soda.
 - Motioned and 2nd by: Amy Begay / Hyson Largo
 - Questioned/Comments: None
 - Vote: 18 In Favor 0 Opposed 2 Abstained

VIII: Financial Assistance: Need to be Present. Request total: 15

1. Todd William-Willie Hale is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 = \$566.00 for food and wood.

2. Rolinda Nez is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 = \$566.00 for food and wood.
3. Herman J. Wilson is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for food and wood and door.
4. Hyson Cody Largo is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for food and wood and door.
5. Herbert Hoover Tsosie III is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 = \$566.00 for food and wood.
6. Barbara Begay is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 = \$566.00 for food and wood.
7. Amy Lacy Begay is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 = \$566.00 for food and wood.
8. Marilyn M. Morris is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 = \$566.00 for food and wood.
9. Natasha Nelson is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 = \$566.00 for food and wood.
10. Jerry Dan James is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 = \$566.00 for food and wood.
11. Frances Manning is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 = \$566.00 for food and wood.
12. Marvin Robert Owens is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 = \$566.00 for food and wood.
13. Alton Tommy Morez is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 and Home Improvement \$1,000.00 = \$1,566.00 for food and wood and door.
14. Freda L. Cooke is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 = \$566.00 for food and wood.
15. Frank Y. Cooke is requesting Hardship: \$283.00, Energy: \$283.00 = \$566.00 for food and wood.

- Motioned and 2nd by: Amy Begay / Jerry James
- Questions/Comments: None
- Vote: 15 In Favor 0 Opposed 2 Abstained

IX. Meetings:

- a. Next Planning Meeting: February 4, 2026 @ 10:00 am @ KinDahLichii Chapter House
- b. Next Chapter Meeting: February 15, 2026 @ 10:00 am @ KinDahLichii Chapter House
- c. Next Veteran's Meeting: March 1, 2026 @ 10:00 am @ KinDahLichii Veterans Building
- d. Next Agency Meetings: April 3, 2026 @ 9:00 am @ Mexican Springs Chapter House

X: Adjournment of meeting at: 1:13 pm by Vice Commander Marvin Owens


Karen T. Shirley, Secretary