

Cornfields Veterans Organization

Cornfields Chapter, Arizona 86505

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

February 6, 2026

1:00 PM



- I. Call to Order: Commander Smith called meeting to order at 1:24 pm.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance/ Moment of Silence: Commander Smith led the Pledge and Moment of Silence.
- III. Invocation: Ruthie A. Nez did the Invocation.
- IV. Announcements:
 - Ft. Defiance Agency Veterans Organization Meeting: Commander said he met with Fallyn Begay, VSO at her office and she gave him information to share with all the Veterans. There were flyers for various workshops and conferences and survey. Also information regarding Housing Renovations, and Housing applications process. Ganado Post Office was discussed.
 - Recognize Guest & Visiting Officials: There was 1 guest, Mr. Jerrick Cly from Kayenta, Arizona. He attended because he is a member of the Veteran Organization.
- V. Approval of Agenda: Motion: Mary Ann Arnold, Second: Dennis Dalgai, Vote 8-0-1.
- VI. Approval of Meeting Minutes – January 14, 2026: Secretary Nez read the Minutes. Motion: Dwayne White, Second: Mary Ann Arnold, Vote: 12-0-1.
- VII. New Business:
 - A. Approval of Resolution of CVO Authorizing the removal of the Initial \$262.00 Funding Cap and Restoring the Maximum Assistance Amount to \$400.00 for Hardship and Energy Assistance Programs. Motion to approve: Lawrence Sam, Second: Mary Ann Arnold, Vote: 10-0-1.
 - B. Approval of Resolution of CVO, Pursuant to Navajo Nation Council Legislation CO-53-25, an amendment to Navajo Nation Veterans Act, Section Three, Subsection 1034.A. and Subsection 1034.B. Motion to approve: Edwin Anderson, Second: Dwayne White, Vote: 12-0-1.
 - C. Approval of Resolution requesting the Cornfields Veteran Organization and Cornfields Chapter Community to Request the Navajo Nation President and the 25th Navajo Nation Council to Continue Supporting and to Retain Ms. Bobbie Baldwin in her Current Position as Executive Director for the Navajo Nation Veteran Administration. Motion to Approve: Mary Ann Arnold, Second: Edwin Anderson, Vote: 12-0-1.

VIII. Old Business:

- A. FY 2026 CVO Trust Fund Report: Commander Smith said he got printouts of the Budget for the Agency and Cornfields Veteran Organization, allocation of \$50,523.00, we have Trust Fund Balance of \$2,469.50 as of 1/23/2026, this fund is for Officers Meeting Stipend. CVO Buffer Beso Funds were allocated for Hardship at \$400.00 and Energy at \$400.00 total of \$800.00 per individual request.
- B. Approval of Cornfields Chapter Veterans Fund: Secretary Nez said the Chapter CVO fund account has balance at \$6,081.31. Account to be used for Awards, office supplies/equipment and food/dinners. There is a new form to make request for purchase and only 1 quote. Mr. Dwayne White purchased his military Color Guard Uniform and wanted reimbursement, amount: \$183.57. He purchased his own uniform because the military uniforms are only available with certain vendors, which are out of town areas, and size of uniform including shoes is necessary too. Motion: Mary Ann Arnold, second: Edwin Anderson, Vote: 12-0-1.

IX. Request for Agency Trust Funds:

- a) Approve CVO Officers Stipend for Conducting Meeting on February 6, 2026 Veterans Meeting. Motion: Dwayne White, Second: Mary Ann Arnold, Vote: 12-0-1.

- X. Report: CVO Officers, American Legion: Commander Smith said he did his report under Item IV. Agency reports. There was no report from American Legion.

XI. Benediction: Done by Mary Ann Arnold.

- XII. Adjournment of Meeting & Next Meeting: Next meeting will be announced. Commander Smith adjourned the meeting with a Majority Vote at 3:05 pm.



Ruthie A. Nez, CVO Secretary