



American Legion Post 408 Business Meeting June 2026.

At 7:30 pm June 9, 2026 a quorum was present with 23 Legion Members and 3 guests. The meeting opened with a moment of silence for the POW/MIA. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the 1st Vice Commander. The American Legion Preamble was led by Commander Doug Sherwood and the John M. West, Derby-Haysville Post 408, Department of Kansas business session was convened.

1. Roll call:
 - Commander, Doug Sherwood - present
 - 1st Vice, Kevin Honn- present
 - 2nd Vice, Buddy Russell - present
 - Adjutant, Dayle Dabney- present
 - Finance Officer, Hugh Clare- present
 - Service Officer, Chuck Amason - present
 - Sgt. At Arms, Mark Blake (present); Ashley Church-Jacobs (present)
 - Chaplain, Michael Bulger- present
 - Secretary, Barbara King – present
 - Historian, vacant
 - Executive Committee, Dick Helzer (present), Steve Tackett (present), Deb Womack (present)
 - Public Relations Officer: Dayle Dabney- present
 - Judge Advocate: Terry Marr- present
2. Guests and Presentation: There were 3 guests present

3. The May Meeting Minutes were posted to the website.
 - a. **Motion to:** accept the minutes as posted was made by Steve Tackett
 - b. **2nd by:** Dayle Dabney; minutes approved. **Motion passed.**
4. Finance report was read by Hugh Clare.
 - a. **Motion to:** accept the Finance Report by Steve Tackett
 - b. **2nd by:** Terry Marr. **Motion passed**
5. Officer and Committee Reports:
 - 1st Vice Commander Report:** Kevin Honn reported membership is at 116%
 - 2nd Vice POW/MIA Report:** Buddy Russell reported on updates POW/MIA: 3 POW/MIA identified.
 - Adjutant report:** Dayle Dabney reported received “thank you” from Troop 6. Membership cards – 2027 are on hand. Legion College – learned lots. Mike and Barbara Bulger donated \$1,000 to Roof Fund. There are 6 new members to be voted in this meeting. Motion to accept new members made by Terry Marr; 2nd by Mark Blake. **Motion passed.**
 - Post Service Officer Report:** No report
 - Chaplain:** No report
 - Auxiliary:** Coni Honn reported Auxiliary will be hosting a Sip & Paint; Bunco this month. Auxiliary dinner will be pulled pork & baked potato.
 - SAL:** No report
 - Legion Riders:** No report
 - Cruisers:** Terry Marr reported Cruisers Raffle is a 12 gauge shotgun. There are 40 members. Cruisers backed out of the hot dog feed for the July 4th parade. At Department Convention, it was reported that the Cruisers badge is not legal. A new committee has been selected to design a new badge to submit to National.
 - BOG:** Kevin reported – proposed review of Annex C
 - Foundation:** No report
 - Fundraising Committee:** No report
 - Public Relations:** Dayle Dabney reported on June 23 at 6 pm, City Hall Meeting – Post 408 will be presenting the awards to the Law Enforcement and Fire Fighter of the Year.
 - Children and Youth:** Dayle Dabney reported Boy Scouts will help with Family Day.
 - Boys State** – May 31 – June 6th; the final count is 165 boys will be in attendance – 6 sponsored by Post 408.
 - Girls State** – Registration \$425 and attendee pays \$25.
 - Cadet Law** - Salina HP Training Center 6/15 – 6/20 – no candidates at this time.
 - Golf:** Working on sponsors
 - Parade:** No Report
 - Bingo Committee:** Deb Womack reported waiting for hard numbers. Working on a business plan.

Motion to accept Officers and Committee Reports: Steve Tackett
2nd by Deb Womack. **Motion passed**

6. Old Business:

- a. Resolution on nominations/elections
- b. Smokin Sampler – June 13 High Park 6 pm – Legion will have a booth.
- c. Awards from Department: Hugh Clare – Commander of Year 2026
Dayle Dabney – 100% Reporting – Membership – 2026
Dayle Dabney – Depart Children & Youth Award – 2026
John M. West – Children & Youth Award – 2026
- d. Devon James Award - \$500, check was written to Post but should be given to the Foundation. Motion made by Hugh Clare; 2nd by Ashley Church.

7. New Business:

- a. Historian – There were no historical books submitted at Department Convention; propose nominating Terry Gowen since he takes most of the photos at Post Events. Nomination accepted by Terry.
- b. Accounting software for Finance Officer – **tabled in PEC.**
- c. Smokin' Sampler – High Park June 13th @ 6:00 pm – **Info Only**
- d. PayPal, Venmo set up to receive funds/donations – Hugh Clare – Finance Officer purchased a \$50 phone to set up these accounts. Motion to reimburse Hugh Clare for the expenses made by Ashley Church; 2nd by Steve Tackett. **Motion passed.**
- e. Steve Tackett made motion that the Post sponsor Wild Cats Baseball Team 2027, cost \$4,000 with 6 local games and 2 away. Discussion: Terry Marr asked, will the team be doing any fundraising? What is the cost of entry for the tournaments; \$425.00 – 8 tournaments with travel expenses on the players. Hugh Clare amended the motion for Legion to offer \$2,000.00 include the other entities. 2nd made by Dayle Dabney. **Motion passed**
- f. Mic Mikolajczyk – called Barb King asking if the Post could use/distribute about 2,000lbs of potatoes. Discussion: The Post doesn't have any way to store that amount; not sure of the condition of the crop or how to distribute. Suggested maybe contact the Food Banks in Derby/Haysville.

8. Are there any items to be brought up for the "Good of Post 408" – none

9. Are there any members sick or in need of assistance – none

10. Is there any other business that should come before the membership – none

11. Motion to close the business session – Unanimous approval. **Motion passed**

12. Doug Sherwood - Commander declared the meeting closed 8:27 pm. Next meeting July 14th, 2026 at 7:30 pm, business session closed.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Attendance Members

2. POW/MIA Report
3. BOG Updates

Recorded by
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Approved by
Doug Sherwood