



John M West Squadron 408 Sons of the American Legion Derby-Haysville Kansas

Meeting Minutes Sept 7th, 2025

I. Call to Order

First Vice Dale Rotramel called the meeting to order at 1:02 pm.

II. Roll Call

officers, members and guests were present.

Commander	Michael Saindon	Excused
1 st Vice	Dale Rotramel	Present
2 nd Vice	Greg Lawless	Excused
Adjutant/Finance	Brian Simpson	Present
Sgt/Arms	Mitch Hansen	Absent
Sgt/Arms	Terry Gowen	Excused
Chaplain	Mike Bulger	Absent
Judge Adv		

III. Minutes From The Previous Meeting

Motion made to forgo reading of the minutes as they were posted on internet.

Brandon Heustad second John McCullough discussion

Motion passed

IV. Introduction of Guests and New Members

Guests: None

New Members: None

VI. Committee Reports

Membership Brian Simpson spoke on membership at 75 members, but a lot of people need to renew. If you are wanting a list let him know and go out and get our renewals. Remember dues are \$40.00

Christmas for kids: We still need someone to take the lead on the event. Brian Simpson will help out Blaine Johnson will also help. We need to have a post wide sign up sheet sent out. Brian Simpson will ask Michael Siandon to send one out.

VII. Finance Report

Brian Simpson read the financial report,

Motion to accept as read by John McCullough

Second Brandon Huestad

Motion passed

VIII. Service Officer Report/ Sick Call

None was present at this time

IX. Unfinished Business

SAL diner Dates for 2025

Oct 30th We will be doing our Mexican night with Sophie Lawless. We need help that night as well. Greg Lawless is the duty officer for this event

The new handicapped auto door has been installed and operational. We are waiting for the final invoice to pay. Also, we were thanked at Legion meeting for doing this for the post.

X. New Business

Does the SAL want to participate in trunk or treat night tentative schedule Oct 25th? Consensus was not this year

Nov 9th is Veteran eat free breakfast at the post. The AUX and SAL are putting this on. We need help for that morning as well. Please let Brian Simpson know if you are able to help. Brian will ask Michael Saindon to put out a sign up sheet as well.

We have book the conference room from 11/15/25 – 12/5/25 to store toys and items for kids Christmas Dec 6th. We will have set up for the event on 12/5/25 @ 6pm- ?? Please plan to come help set up

Dale Rotramel spoke on the replacement of ac unit for post that he installed. The Legion paid \$5500.00 for this. Brandon Huestad made motion to pay 1/5 (1100.00) to Legion for payment on ac. John McCullough second Motion passed. Brian Simpson will get check to Legion.

5th District homecoming is Oct 25th at noon. Post 136 Mulvane. Please oif able to attend, do so. It is just a luncheon that day. But this is to recognize our 5th District leaders.

Eisenhower Pilgrimage id Oct 11th in Abilene Kansas. Does the SAL want to purchase a rose for 10.00 to place on the monument? Brian Simpson stated that we have in the past but then the checks are not cashed and is anyone going to place the rose? Brian Simpson suggested we not participate. No vote taken

Feb 1st – March 15th is the SAL next raffle date. Please have some ideas we can vote on at next meeting. Had a few shouted out like crossbow or stripper fishing trip.

We will be responsible for bathroom and hallway cleaning during this time. Sahar has taken over the cleaning at the same price as we have been paying of 420.00 for the time frame. We have earmark for this to pay, but we still need to have someone double check during the time frame to make sure it is kept clean. Keep in mind as we should have a duty officer for that time frame.

In December we will need to elect a new 3yr BOG member and a 3yr Foundation member.

Sept 13th 408 Golf tourney

Alr auction is Oct 18th please come and support and if you have auction type quality items to donate, get with Brian Simpson.

Oct 11th is hotdog feed at Atwoods 10am-2pm

11/1 Pancake feed at the post for Operation Holiday

XI. **For the good of the Sons of the American Legion**

Next meeting will be Oct 5th @ 1:00pm

XII. **Adjourned**
Vice Commander Dale Rotramel adjourned the meeting at 1:48 pm.