



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

**Meeting Minutes  
Feb 18th, 2024**

**I. Call to Order**

Commander Michael Saindon was excused 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Bradley Barton called the meeting to order at 1:01 pm.

**II. Roll Call**

officers, members and guests were present.

Commander	Michael Saindon	Excused
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice	Bradley Baron	Present
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice		
Adjutant/Finance	Brian Simpson	Present
Sgt/Arms	Marvin Landes	Present
Chaplain	John McCullough	Present
Judge Adv	Michael Saindon	Excused

**III. Minutes From The Previous Meeting**

Motion made to forgo reading of the minutes as they were posted on internet.  
By Marvin Landes second John McCullough No Discussion  
Motion passed

**IV. Introduction of Guests and New Members**

Guests:

New Members:

Alexander Barton

Brian Simpson made motion to accept new member Marvin Landes second Motion passed. Welcome Alexander Barton

**VI. Committee Reports**

Christmas for Kids We have monies for this next year in earmark and this will be something to keep in our minds as it will be coming fast.

Breakfast Brian Simpson spoke on the continuation of the breakfast. It has not been any real success at this point. The ALA was discussing cancelling breakfast.

Open forum: Greg Lawless spoke on continuing the of the breakfast with the idea of changing it up and adding eggs again. Marvin Landes talked on going back to buffet style. Motion was made to have new committee and plan for keeping breakfast alive by Nick Engle. 2<sup>nd</sup> Greg Lawless Motion passed. Brian Simpson stated he would continue as committee member and will have meeting March 3<sup>rd</sup> 10:00am at the post for anyone wanting to participate.

## **VII. Finance Report**

Brian Simpson read the financial report,

Motion Nick Engle  
Second Greg Lawless  
Motion passed

## **VIII. Service Officer Report/ Sick Call**

Michael Saindon

## **IX. Unfinished Business**

Breakfast was discussed again. We did 21 meal Sunday the 18<sup>th</sup> Feb. out of that we had 8 ALA members and 6 SAL members 136.00 total before expenses. Then split with ALA... Not a lot of profit for the work put in. As discussed, we will be having breakfast committee meeting March 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 10am and cancel the March breakfast due to it being on St Patrick's day. Will resume in April.

American Legion Birthday party is coming March 16<sup>th</sup> at the post. Please plan to attend. Flyer on our website. Bring 2 sides to share Meat provided.

5th District Convention April 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. Brian Simpson had registration forms for you to sign up. Please plan to attend as this is at our post this year. Will need help for registration table Friday evening and Saturday morning. If you are wanting to be a delegate, get with Brian Simpson asap so we can get them listed in advance. Forms attached for the luncheon and registration.

We are the post host for this years event and need to have a HUGE attendance from our membership

Feb 29<sup>th</sup> we are having our SAL meal night and will need help. These meals have been growing at the post and can be a good fundraiser for us. Thanks to Greg Lawless for getting the enchiladas and meal organized.

Texas Holem has been doing well. Greg Lawless spoke on getting more of our own members to participate. This has been growing each week and does do well as a fundraiser. Every Wednesday night at the post

X. **New Business**

Nick Engle spoke on the Trowbridge flyin fundraiser coming in May. Dates are May 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. Nick Engle will be the lead on this and we will need help running the booth. Looking at doing hamburgers and hot dogs.

Nick Engle made motion to participate in this event. Brian Simpson seconded the motion. Motiupon passed. Thanks Nick for taking the lead on this. Also, this can be an annual event for us as a big fundraiser.

Discussion brought up for our SAL meal May 30<sup>th</sup>. This is our turn for Thursday night meal. Discussion was to maybe do BBQ pulled pork, Bierocks, or something easy to make and clean up. Brian Simpson made motion to do Bierocks and fries. Second by Greg Lawless. Brad Baton stated that he was going to do the bierocks. Discussion was 6 bierocks and fries for \$10.00 Motion passed

Reminder that SAL dues will be going up to \$40.00 in July. We would like to still do our early bird special for month of July. Brian Simpson explained that in July, we would have early bird special. If paid July 1- July 31 2024 for the 2025 year dues, we would only pay 30.00 after July 31<sup>st</sup> it will be \$40.00.

We discussed to have our meeting for March moved due to St. Patricks Day and the American legion birthday party the night before. Meeting will be moved to March 24<sup>th</sup> @ 12pm

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

**Next meeting will be March 24th 2024 @  
1:00pm**

XII. **Adjourned**

1<sup>st</sup> Vice commander Bradley Barton adjourned the meeting at 2:15 pm.