



American Legion Post 408 Business Meeting April 2026.

At 7:30 pm April 14, 2026 a quorum was present with 23 Legion Members and 5 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 Hugh Clare and the John M. West, Derby-Haysville Post 408, Department of Kansas business session was convened.

1. Roll call:
 - Commander, Hugh Clare - present
 - 1st Vice, Doug Sherwood- present
 - 2nd Vice, Kevin Honn - present
 - Adjutant, Dayle Dabney- present
 - Finance Officer, Barbara King- present
 - Service Officer, Chuck Amason - present
 - Sgt. At Arms, Jason Halloran (present); Ashley Church-Jacobs (present)
 - Chaplain, Michael Bulger- present
 - Historian, vacant
 - Executive Committee, Dick Helzer (present), Steve Tackett (present), Buddy Russell (present)
 - Public Relations Officer: vacant
 - Judge Advocate: Terry Marr- present

2. Guests and Presentation: There were 5 guests present; Proclamation made by Derby City Mayor: The American Legion Family Day to be held at the Post April

25, 2026. Jerry Gardinier, 5th District Commander presented Chuck Amason an award for Post Service Officer for 5th District.

3. The March Meeting Minutes were read orally as the website was down.
 - a. **Motion to:** accept the reading of the minutes was made by Terry Marr
 - b. **2nd by:** Dick Helzer; minutes approved. **Motion passed.**

4. Finance report was read by Barbara King.
 - a. **Motion to:** accept the Finance Report by Steve Tackett
 - b. **2nd by:** Mike Bulger. **Motion passed**

5. Officer and Committee Reports:
 - 1st Vice Commander Report:** No report
 - 2nd Vice POW/MIA Report:** No report
 - Adjutant report:** There are 6 new members to be voted in this meeting. Adjutant has the list of new members. Motion to accept new members made by Terry Marr; 2nd by Chuck Amason. **Motion passed**
 - Leadership College in Concorida June 5-7; registration is \$100. Check in is Friday at 3 pm. If not staying in the Dorms, price is \$50 for meals.
 - Department Convention will be held in Topeka; 7 delegates available. Dates are May 29 – 31 at the Ramada Inn, registration is \$10.00. To make reservations call (785)234-5400
 - Post Consolidated Report is due to Department by May 1st;
 - Post 990 is due to the Kansas Revenue by May 15th.
 - Roof Goal: \$24,023 raised
 - Post Service Officer Report:** No report
 - Chaplain:** No report
 - Auxiliary:** Coni Honn reported Sip & Paint fundraiser May 1. Sept 12th Fund raiser - Margarita Bar
 - SAL:** No report
 - Legion Riders:** Rhonda reported, reminder of Riders Auction April 18th. Drop off donations starting at 12:00, auction starts at 6 pm. Next be Thursday; chicken enchiladas.
 - Cruisers:** Car show 25 Apr at the Open house. 2 May car show at Vickers in Haysville. June 27th Cruise In, Star Spangled Sparklers
 - BOG:** Dale Rotramel presented change to BOG with regard to consideration to have additional debit cards for 2 BOG members separate from BOG Finance Officer. This will assist with purchases and better financial control rather than writing checks.
 - Foundation:** Steve Tackett reported August 15th Steak fundraiser need help selling tickets. Ticket prices are set at 1 for \$50 and \$80 for couples who want to split their steak dinner.
 - Fundraising Committee:** No report
 - Public Relations:** No report.
 - Children and Youth:** Dayle Dabney reported Boy Scouts will help with Family Day.
 - Boys State –** May 31 – June 6th; 4 boys currently being sponsored, \$1450.

Girls State – Registration \$425 and attendee pays \$25.
Cadet Law - Salina HP Training Center 6/15 - 6/20

Golf: No report
Parade: No Report
Bingo Committee: Working on a business plan.

Motion to accept Officers and Committee Reports: Mike Bulger
2nd by Dayle Dabney. **Motion passed**

6. Old Business: April 18th Legion Games @ Post 136, show time Noon.

7. New Business:

a. 2026 Officer Nominations/election: Terry Marr made motion to open nominations for 2026 Officers:

Nomination for Sgt-At-Arms for Ashley Church Jacobs and Mark Blake, made by Steve Tackett No other nominations.

Nomination for Finance Officer for Hugh Clare by Ashley Church Jacobs.

No other nominations.

Nomination for Adjutant for Dayle Dabney by Doug Sherwood. No other nominations.

Nomination for 2nd Vice Buddy Russell. No other nominations

Nomination for 1st Vice for Kevin Honn by Ashley Church-Jacobs. No other nominations.

Nomination for executive committee for Dick Heltzer made by Terry Marr, Doug Sherwood nominated Steve Tackett for Executive Committee member. Ashley Church-Jacobs nominated Debbie Womach; Both accepted.

Nomination for commander for Doug Sherwood made by Ashley Church-Jacobs. No other nominations

Nominations were closed the Staff Judge Advocate motioned to have the Rules be suspended and to have Adjutant, case one vote for each of the positions, 2nd made by Chuck Amason. Motion passed, new officers were sworn in by Jerry Gardinier, 5th District Commander.

b. Department Convention (May 29-31) – need 7 delegates: Barbara King; Hugh Clare; Doug Sherwood; Kevin Honn; Dan McKelvey; Dayle Dabney; Mark Blake. Motion to accept made by Steve Tackett; 2nd by Mike Bulger.

c. Kevin Honn made motion to add 2 addition debit cards for BOG member access to the bank account, 2nd by Jason Halloran. **Motion passed**

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 – Remember Adam Beran in your prayers, lost a family member. Steve Tackett’s wife with cancer.

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 8:30 pm. Next meeting May 12th, 2026 at 7:30 pm, business session closed.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Attendance
2. POW/MIA Report
3. BOG Updates

Recorded by
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