

American Legion Post 408 Business Meeting August 2026.

At 7:30 August 11, 2026 a quorum was present with 20 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 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 – excused

Sgt. At Arms, Mark Blake (present); Ashley Church-Jacobs (present)

Chaplain, Michael Bulger- present

Secretary, Barbara King – excused

Historian, Terry Gowen – present

Executive Committee, Dick Helzer (present), Steve Tackett (present), Deb Womack (present)

Public Relations Officer: Dayle Dabney- present

Judge Advocate: Terry Marr- excused

2. Guests and Presentation: There were 5 guests present

3. The July Meeting Minutes were posted to the website. a. Motion to: accept the minutes as posted was made by Steve Tackett b. 2nd by: Mike Bulger; 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: Mark Blake. Motion passed

5. Officer and Committee Reports:

1st Vice Commander Report: Kevin Honn reported membership is at 29.7%

2nd Vice POW/MIA Report: Buddy Russell reported on updates POW/MIA: 6 POW/MIA identified.

Adjutant report: Dayle Dabney reported there are 3 new members to be voted in this meeting. Motion to accept new members made by Steve Tackett; 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. Fundraiser will be for a flag and flag pole.

SAL: Mouse races will be Oct 24 and there will be a Veteran's Day Break fast on Nov 8 from 8am-11am

Legion Riders: The Riders gave a donation to Casa Martinez for their air conditioner fund. There will be a 9/11 service on Sept 11 at the Fire Station on Madison

Cruisers: Kevin Honn reported of the Cruise In on Aug 27

Foundation: Steve Tackett reminded everyone of the steak feed on August 15

Fundraising Committee: Rhonda Hundley reminded of the Pancake Feed on Nov 7

Public Relations: Dayle Dabney reported the Department Oratorical will be held in Wichita

Golf: Needs volunteers for the event on Sept 12

Parade: Christmas Parade on December 5

Bingo Committee: Deb Womack reported they're looking at a trial run of \$1K and gathering a new committee together.

Motion to accept Officers and Committee Reports: Hugh Clare 2nd by Matt Frandsen. Motion passed

6. Old Business:

a. Post Work Day on Aug 22

b. Looking for a committee to beautify the front of the post.

c. Mindy King requested reimbursement for domain renewal and other fees. Steve Tackett moved the Legion reimburse Mindy, seconded by Mark Blake

7. New Business: a. The Board of Governors purchased a new table for the grill area in the kitchen

8. Are there any items to be brought up for the "Good of Post 408" – The winner of the seat on the Doc flight was Alan Gillespie

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 Sept 8, 2026 at 7:30 pm, business session closed.