

Minutes of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4051
7 June 2025

The meeting was called to order by Commander Anthony who led the opening prayer at 0900. The meeting resumed after breakfast at 1000.

Opening ceremonies were conducted to include salute to the colors and the Pledge of Allegiance. Membership cards were verified. The constitutional charter was recited by all present.

Guests: None

Roll was taken with Jr Vice Commander and National Home representative Tony Dallago excused and Service Officer Lance Dyar absent.

Applications for membership: John Hembrough, Army; Larry Lucero, Marines; Samantha Francis, Air Force; James Scharfenberg Air Force; Leo Minx, Air Force; Robert Powell, Air Force; Donald Odom, Air Force; Bob Chapman, Air Force. These applications for membership were approved as a group.

Reading of the minutes was deferred as they are posted on the website. There were no corrections.

The Quartermaster's report was given and is subject to audit.

The Charter was draped for two members, Gene Dowdell and Tomas Coley.

Comrades in Distress: Troy Richardson and Larry Johnson

Service officer – Absent

Adjutant/Community Service – Barbara Green – No report

Officer of the Day – Jerry Cupp – No report

Legislative – Steve Lucks – The new BAH rules are almost law. Enlisted members will not get much of an increase. Concern that the new housing area will be too close to Schreiver Space Force Base.

Entertainment – David Anthony – No Report

House Committee – Mike Sinchak - More volunteers are needed for breakfast and dinner prep. There is a blue tarp on the roof. There are posters on all windows provided

by beer distributors. Rental prices may be raised. Dinner menus for June – 14th hamburgers etc.; 21st seafood platter; 27th chicken fried steak.

Bingo – Ron Reneker – Always need more dedicated volunteers. Art Kimbrel mentioned that bingo is the Post's only fundraiser and bingo money pays for the utilities and insurance etc. Breakfast and dinners are social events and are provided at cost. Ron gave bingo profit amounts for May.

Membership – 123.48%

Buddy poppy/Public Safety – Larry Johnson – Absent

Americanism – Chuck Potter – Chuck spoke at Mark Twain elementary school to 60 students. Chuck would like to make a presentation to the scouts also.

Webmaster/Public Affairs – Rick Cote – over 400 emails were sent out.

Adopt-a- Unit – 277-FA Paige Lanier – Some members are in San Diego with border patrol. The St. Barbara Day ball will be on 4 December at the Polaris Hotel.

Adopt-a-Unit –Space PJ Yuson – PJ will be meeting with the new commander of the unit

Pikes Peak Veterans Council – Chuck Potter – Channel 5 (KOAA) and the Gazette would like a story on the Council. The Council is selling popcorn. For the Monument parade Women Veterans and gold Star Mothers will be featured. The Marine Corps Ball will be at the Polaris Hotel on 8 November. The ball will include a silent auction. Evergreen cemetery has 4,400 veterans interned and they will be put on a list by name. 19 June there will be a blood drive at VFW Post 6461; American Legion Post 5 is hosting a cornhole tournament. Toys for Tots is still looking for a warehouse. Chuck will be on vacation for the June and July meetings.

Staff judge Advocate – Bob Green – No report

JROTC.ROTC – Bob Green – The post will give out a Civil Air Patrol NCO of the Year award on 19 June.

Correspondence – membership pins were received for Post members.

Unfinished business – None

New Business –

Steve LeBlach made a motion to donate \$500 from the bingo account to “Healing Waters”. Bob Green second. This organization teaches veterans how to fly fish. Many of these veterans are suffering from PTSD. The motion passed with one nay vote.

Good of the Order

Barbara and other members of the post thanked Dave Anthony for his two years being the Post Commander.

Commander Anthony encouraged members to volunteer at the Post.

Closing ceremonies were held. The next meeting will be held on 5 July 2025.

Barbara Green
Adjutant

David Anthony
Commander