## SAME OMAHA POST – BOARD MEETING
December 10, 2015

### ATTENDEES

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### Board Members (13 total, 7 needed for quorum, 11 present)

### Meeting Minutes

#### General
- Meeting was called to order at 10:21 am by Dave Packard
- Jodi Vaccaro made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 2015 board meeting. Chris Langan seconded, and the motion was approved.
- Next meeting will be held at 10:15 am on Thursday, January 14, 2016 at the Scott Conference Center. Please note alternate location for January meeting.
- Meeting adjourned at 11:18 am.

#### President
- Dave Packard
- Students will be here today
- Michelle French reported that Jackie Hacker for KC Post will be next RVP. Omaha will have a chance in May 2018 to have a post nominated RVP for the 2018 – 2020 term
- Will have member spot lights on new national post, they are looking for suggestions/nominations, should be provided to Mark Bialek
- Roger Wozny participated in evaluating articles for the national Toulmin award
- COL doing a STEM engagement for Kiewit Middle School tomorrow

#### Treasurer
- Mary McKernan
- Received treasurer reports from Mary
- Jim Wathen moved to approve to accept treasurer reports, Chris Langan seconded, motion approved
- Mary doing research into how we best manage our assets

#### Director for Awards and Recognition
- Jodi Vaccaro
- Jodi will be working on the streamers next for distinguished post submission due end of January

#### Communications
- Jeni Merryweather
- Working on transitioning web site over to National, will have page for Industry Day and SMP
- Kandi will work with Natasha to share draft of website to the board

### 2015 Streamers (completed, upcoming/important)
### Education and Training

**Kandi Srb**

- Care packages went out last week, post will donate $174.90 to cover the shipping cost, will look into contributing to packages in November of next year.
- Spoke to UNO Office of Veterans, contact will be coming to a meeting, their mission is to get vets through school, vets in tech is a program they have with local companies.
- Working with Dan Taylor to get good list of small business members, will be doing outreach to help clean up contact list for small businesses.
- Transition Assistance Program (TAP) in Offutt, might be a place for us to assist as well, often unions do certification program for enlisted folks.

### Young Members and College Outreach

**Cybil Boss**

- **Student Chapter**
  - Jessica continues to do great at Student Chapter liaison at UNO.
  - November 23rd had a joint meeting, SAME sponsored pizza.
  - Identifying individual to be a student rep.
  - Next meeting will be at Scott Conference Center, possibly students can attend.

- **Young Members**
  - Working to identify someone to be our Young Member Council POC.
  - Scotch tasting, had regional rep leading the tasting.
  - Will get POC to Save a Warrior to Mary to send check from volleyball tournament, would be nice to get a Save a Warrior.
  - Joint Student Chapter and Young Member tour with trolley for transportation.
  - Identify another meeting for Young Members to host.
  - Support young members to attend JETC in May, start getting applicants.
  - Looking for someone to step in as Young Member Director.

- **Industry Day**
  - Moved to second week in May 9th through 11th, conference first and golf after. DoubleTree, Natasha will send out a save the date with next meeting announcement.
  - Small brain storming session next week.

### (Required)

- Provide education forums that award a minimum of eight (8) Professional Development Hours (PDHs) for Large and Medium Posts and four (4) hours for Small Posts in support of members who require continuing education credits for their professional registrations or certifications, consistent with SAME Guide to Continuing Professional Competency.

### (Required)

- Assist Members in obtaining professional licensure and certifications.

### (Desired)

- Plan and execute a Small Business workshop or training session geared towards helping small businesses successfully participate in DOD programs (can co-host with another Post).

### (Desired)

- One or more Post members submit an article for publication in TME or other professional magazine or journal.

### (Desired)

- Conduct at least one community service project.

### (Desired)

- Assist veterans and wounded warriors with transition assistance through mentoring, credentialing and job fairs.

### (Desired – Large and Medium Posts)

- Conduct a Continuing Education course, seminar or Webinar or co-sponsor a course or webinar with SAME HQ.
**Infrastructure Resilience and Preparedness**

**Chris Langan**

- General meeting last month included a panel of emergency agencies
- Meeting with NEMA after this meeting, they might be a potential public agency members, still have some room if folks want to join this visit
- Dave Packard will be following up with Jenn Git on satisfying the 4 PDH training requirements
- Will be exercising 24 hour POC list before the end of the year
- Streamers will be changed, will be less prescriptive and more performance based
- Call for papers is out for
  - SAME National, JETC
  - TISP
- COL had experience using 24 hour POC list in Hawaii for contingency type responses, worked well for that

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**Morgan Sykes**

- (Required) Sponsor an educational session to share information on technology and tools related to emergency preparedness, response, recovery, and infrastructure resilience with public and private sector organizations.
- (Required) A minimum of two Post members complete a minimum of four hours (equivalent of 0.4 CEUs or 4 PDHs) each of EP&IR training in the calendar year from TISP recommended online courses or locally sponsored events. [Indicate name of Post members, name of course and number of hours for each].
- (Desired) Conduct or participate in an Emergency Preparedness or Infrastructure Resilience exercise with regional, state or local organizations.
- (Desired) Post member makes a presentation on Emergency Preparedness or Infrastructure Resilience at an SAME or TISP event, or other organization’s meeting, workshop or conference.
- (Desired) Send a Post member responsible for Emergency Preparedness and Infrastructure Resilience to a TISP-sponsored national or regional event or attend a TISP sponsored webinar.
- (Desired) At least one Post Member participates in one or more TISP committee teleconferences and provides knowledge gained to other Post members [Indicate names of Post members who participated, dates of participation and how information was shared].

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- (Required) Send a Post Board member to a Post Leaders Workshop held in the Calendar Year.
- (Required) Conduct K-12 Outreach to promote careers in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM).
- (Required) Provide leadership opportunities for Young Members in Post programs.
- (Desired) Post provides funding for one or more NCOs or Young Members to attend the annual JETC in May or other education or training event hosted by a Post or other professional association.
- (Desired) Conduct one or more mentoring sessions or activities for Young Members and NCOs, utilizing SAME Fellows and other experienced professionals.
- (Desired) Implement a Post Program to welcome and mentor new members.
- (Desired) Nominate a high school student or Mentor to a SAME Engineering and Construction Camp.
- (Desired) Utilize Post Education and Mentoring or Operating Funds to support the education and professional development of one or more of the following groups in STEM Careers: K-12 Teachers and Students, College Students, Young Members or NCOs.
- (Desired-Medium & Large Posts) Send a Young Member or NCO to a Post Leaders Workshop held in the Calendar Year.
### Relationships and Recognition
**Brad Carne**

- Jodi and Chris will be nominated for RVPs the next go around
- 10 RVPs allowed for the region
- Michelle French here to give RVP medals as part of today’s program

### Membership
**Jeff Sorenson**

- 7 new members, 4 new public members
- Individual memberships are expiring at this time, please renew if you are up
- Has some input on additional public agencies we can reach out to, might be looking to Fellows to assist with getting these agency involved
- Base Civil Engineers office from Offutt participates, but not many others
- Sustaining memberships renew at various times

### Fellows
**Matt Harvey**

- Fellow subgroups have been meeting

### Meetings and Recognition
- **(Required)** Conduct one or more meetings that provide information on future programs, projects, and contract opportunities for Department of Defense and other Federal, State or local programs relevant to the Post membership.
- **(Required)** Promote diversity on Post Board of Directors by having Small Business, Young Members, and public and private sector representatives, and when feasible, a Noncommissioned Officer.
- **(Required)** Maintain communications with Post members by having an updated Post website (information on Post leadership and events current as of January 1, 2014) and through either periodic emails or newsletters.
- **(Required)** Establish and implement an annual Post Awards Program to recognize Post members.
- **(Desired)** Conduct a joint meeting with another professional society that fosters the goals of SAME.
- **(Desired)** Conduct outreach to support wounded warriors and their families, families of deployed engineers, or families of fallen warriors.
- **(Desired)** Nominate a Post member for a RVP Medal, National Award, National Board of Direction. (Note: To receive credit, the Post must nominate the individual or company for the award; self-nominations, endorsements for nominations from other Posts and selections made by SAME HQ without nomination will not receive credit.
- **(Desired)** Promote Post and member accomplishments by submitting information to SAME HQ or other news media.

### Membership Streamer
- Streamer will be awarded to Posts that have No Loss in Public Sector Membership and no Loss in Total Membership. “Public Sector” refers to any individual employed by a Federal, State or Local Government Agency. We will not measure the number of companies since our new structure will allow companies to have more than 5 representatives at each Post.