



## Seattle Post Board Meeting November 4, 2021 | Meeting Minutes

**Date/Time: Thursday, November 4, 2021, 8:00 am – 9:00 am**

**CALL-IN MEETING ONLY: Join via GoToMeeting link in calendar invite, or  
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### Attended (*alphabetical order*)

#### *\* voting member*

Allen Wycoff*	Mark Ohlstrom
April Sweet*	Nancy Yee*
LT Bohdon Wowtschuk*	Nick Vlahovich
Faith Powell	Ray Spees*
Jackie Corley*	Ryan Peterson*
John Souza	Scott Adamek
Kevin Stoll	Terry McCann*
Larry Toimil	
Lori Revely	
Manny Bautista*	

## Welcome and Announcements

1. Roll call
2. Declare quorum – Quorum Called
3. Approve November 4, 2021 Agenda – Agenda Approved
4. Approve October 7, 2021 Meeting Minutes – Minutes Approved
5. Announcements
  - This month the National SAME Small Business Conference is in Atlanta.
  - November 11<sup>th</sup> social on Veterans Day – Young Members focused, and there will be potential members attending as well.
    - o Encouraging the board members to attend.
    - o In-Person.
    - o For every Veteran that shows up, we will make a donation to the Young Member Association and the event is sponsored by SAME Seattle Post.
  - Last week, had a post president meeting speaking about initiatives and ways to move things forward.
    - o Membership: across the nation is an issue.
      - Ideas to get people involved: always having a planned leadership / transition program.
      - Making sure every committee has a deputy to provide continuity in people transitioning in and out of the leadership roles.



- Regarding the president's path: Bo will be leaving the area so Allen will be stepping up and will need to find someone to replace Bo.
- In the end, we need to make sure every committee has a plan for someone to step into a leadership position.
- Fellows: want to get all fellows together and hear thoughts including our new fellow: Julie.
  - Talk about ways to help with these programs and initiatives.
- From the VP regional meeting: SAME National LDP applications due 12/06 and each region allocated one spot.
- This meeting is reduced down to an hour.

## Standing Reports

### TREASURER (Ryan Peterson)

- Few transactions.
- Email / Marketing software dues were paid: a little over \$500.
- We received income from Virtual presentation in October.
- Midway through last month, Ryan sent a summary of accounts we have been tracking to show the pandemic trend.
- Overall, we have less income and expenditures because of pandemic.

### MEMBERSHIP (Scott Blount)

- Absent.
- We have reached out and have a list of 7-8 people reached out to by Allen to join the post / board.

### PROGRAMS/FIELD TRIPS (Nick Vlahovich)

- November program is online, it has to do with the Emergency Management group. Same day as the SBC kickoff: 11/16. Have a great speaker coming.
- November luncheon: Ray unable to make it, Allen will be there and coordinate with Nick regarding speaking.
- Holiday Social notes are below.
- Looking for a February program and speaker.
  - Potential for a presentation on the Moz Dam Project and have someone who wants to speak about DoD requirements for cybersecurity in the design of facility controls.

## Annual Event Updates *(in calendar order)*

DECEMBER 2021 | HOLIDAY SOCIAL (Nick Vlahovich)



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- Holiday Social planning is in gear, announcement should be out today or tomorrow.
- Based on headcount, will have a cost model developed.
- Looking for sponsorships, was going to reach out to the sustainers.
- Now you are required to show your vaccination card – will be in the announcement.

**JANUARY 2022 | MEET THE AGENCIES (MTA) (Kevin Stoll)**

- January 27<sup>th</sup> date booked
- Survey Results: 35 people responded
  - o Hybrid: 23/35 would do in-person
  - o Majority want the event in-person
- More people are leaning towards hybrid: more attendance.
- Faith to assist with technology aspect of the event.
- Rates are the same, want to encourage people to come in-person.
- Same speakers as last year: King County, WSDOT, Port of Seattle, Sound Transit, UW and SDOT. Also have alternates. Currently getting the speakers lined up.

**APRIL 2022 | TECHNOBOWL (TBD)**

- Need to find an alternative method for this event.
- Leads us into the UW SAME Chapter, need to get this going again.
- Looking for connections to UW, faculty or students.
  - o Allen has a connection with a recent grad.
- Do not want to cancel for a second year.

**APRIL 2022 | SMALL BUSINESS SYMPOSIUM (SBS) (Lori Revely)**

- Met with steering committee and are going to post event sales soon.
- Overall cost of the event went up due to inflation, so ticket sales did go up. Sponsorships will cover costs and add to revenue, will also help with scholarships too.
- All volunteer spots filled.
- Do need help filling speaker roles, hoping for someone to volunteer to speak instead of paying a speaker.
- Lori will schedule meetings with those who have volunteered to help.
- Think about who would take the reins after Lori – to get continuity going.

**JUNE 2022 | MEET THE CHIEFS (Allen Wycoff)**

- Joint meeting now with Tacoma and Portland Posts.
- Add Curtis to our meeting so he and Allen can work together for planning.
- Curtis is the first VP for Portland post will also help lead it this time.
- At this time, just need to coordinate a day.

**SUMMER 2022 | SAME SEATTLE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION (Manny Bautista)**

- Need to figure out who is leading this, Manny is not.



**AUGUST 2022 | GOLF TOURNAMENT (TBD)**

- Need someone to fill this position, possibly John Souza (share the scholarship funds).

**FALL 2022 | PROJECTS OF EXCELLENCE (Ralph Field)**

- Absent.
- Has not happened for two years.
- John Hickey was the leader, now retired.
- Nick will reach out to Ralph as for status of this and if he wants to help out.

## **Committee Updates**

**COMMUNICATIONS (Melissa Grasso)**

- Absent.
- Recap of latest email communications to membership:
- October Program Announcement – sent 7 Oct
- Veterans Day Happy Hour Event Announcement – sent 21 Oct
- Meet the Agencies 2022 Survey – sent 23 Oct
- November Program Announcement – sent 28 Oct
- November Program 2<sup>nd</sup> Announcement – scheduled for 8 Nov
- Holiday Social Announcement – drafted for Nick’s review

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH (Scott Adamek)**

- The new ASCE chapter president preferred an evening event but SAME prefers more of a lunchtime event.
- Trying to work to get on track for a lunchtime event.

**EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (Andy Hough / Troy Alexander)**

- Absent.

**ENERGY AND SUSTAINABILITY (Wendy Oresik)**

- Absent.

**ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CAMPS (Terry McCann)**

- Nothing to report, Jan-Feb next year are when things get going.

**KITSAP CHAPTER (Manny Bautista / Mark Swink)**

- No update, Kitsap kind of shut down
- Meeting standpoint: have not met
- Waiting to schedule their coming out of the pandemic party



MEMBERSHIP:

1. MEMBERSHIP – RETENTION AND NEW (Scott Blount)
  - Absent
2. MEMBERSHIP – SUSTAINER FIRMS (Jamie Fleek)
  - Absent
3. MEMBERSHIP – YOUNG MEMBERS (April Sweet)
  - Event in a week from today: 11/11 (there is a Kraken game)
  - Social in downtown Seattle
  - April will get there early to reserve the space
  - Sent out information to our sustaining member firms
  - Want to engage conversations with new members and young members with current members
  - Vaccine mandate, need to show vaccine card
    - i. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT (Stacie Anderson / CAPT Jed Boba)
      - No Update
    - ii. MENTORING (Ginette Chin)
      - Set up a site tour at the mud mountain dam of the new fish passage
      - 12 participants – reserved for the first 12
      - Set up for 12/2 from 10am-12pm
    - iii. STEM/UW STUDENT CHAPTER (LT Bo Wowtschuk)
      - No Update.

NOMINATIONS (Larry Toimil)

- Applications for two fellows submitted and hope to find out more about them at the SBC fellows meeting. Will hear about decision in December.
- Request from Jeff Keller at SCS.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (Wendy Oresik)

- Absent.

SCHOLARSHIPS (John Souza)

- Gave the presentation on how PSE&SSF works.
- See PowerPoint presentation attached to these minutes.
- Send all questions to John.
- Hope the winners end up joining SAME.



SMALL BUSINESS COMMITTEE (Lori Revely)

STRATEGIC PLANNING AND STREAMER AWARDS (Terry McCann / Scott Adamek)

- Still submitting periodic updates; annual submittal, will be incremental at this point.
  - o Combo due at the end of January.

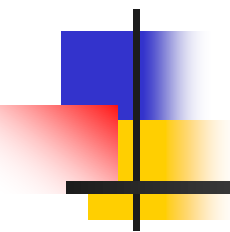
VETERAN ASSISTANCE (TBD)

OTHER BUSINESS

- Portland doing all meetings in-person.
- Looking to move our meetings to in-person.
- Andy Hough has offered GLY conference area for luncheon / group meetings, Nick to reach out to see if we can use that space.
- Leadership Development Group: look at young member chair, bring up at the 11/11 meeting.
- Focus on membership and recruitment.

END OF AGENDA

Briefing to SAME Seattle Post  
Board of Direction  
November 4, 2021



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# Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) and Puget Sound Engineering and Science Scholarship Fund (PSE&SSF)

PSE&SSF

- Average annual cost (2021 dollars) of college attendance (**tuition, fees, room and board**) in engineering, science and related fields
  - Public in-state institution – Approx. \$27,000/year
  - Public out-of-state institution – Approx. \$45,000/year
  - Private institution – Approx. \$56,000/year
  - Washington State GET credits in the past twelve years:
    - 100 GET Units ~ 1 year Tuition; there has been a 35% decrease in credit price from 2015 High

Year(s)	GET Credit	% Change from Prior Year(s)
2008-2009	\$76	
2009-2010	\$101	+33%
2010-2011	\$117	+16%
2011-2012	\$163	+39%
2012-2015	<b>\$172</b>	+6%
Year	GET Credit	% Change from Prior Year(s)
2016	\$118	-31%
2017	\$113	-4%
2018	\$106	-6%
2019	\$108	+2%
2020	\$111	+3%
2021	\$114	+3%



# SAME – PSE&SSF

PSE&SSF

- Puget Sound Engineering and Science Scholarship Fund (PSE&SSF) - incorporated November 23, 1999 as a non-profit, IRS designated 501(c)(3) organization
- Founded with the support of the Seattle SAME Post to:
  - Protect the Scholarship fund in the event of legal action against the Post
  - Ensure a focused and professional investment strategy for scholarship funds
  - Ensure long term continuity of scholarship awards and growth of fund corpus
  - Broaden and focus fund raising opportunities



# SAME – PSE&SSF

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PSE&SSF

- PSE&SSF Board of Directors composed of active and retired engineers or scientists
  - The majority of which are members or former members of the SAME Seattle Post
- Point of contact between the PSE&SSF and the Post is the Post Scholarship Committee Chair
  - Who is also a member of the PSE&SSF Board
- Creation of PSE&SSF as a separate legal entity has an additional benefit:
  - Providing an organization to which individuals and companies who have not historically supported SAME can contribute to further the objective of encouraging students to study science and engineering

# PSE&SSF Board of Directors

PSE&SSF

Chairman of the Board – Mr. Ralph Graves, PE

President – Mr. Geoffrey Compeau, PhD

Vice President – Mr. Mike Rigsby, PE

Treasurer – Ms. Pamela Chelgren-Koterba

Secretary – Mr. Richard Beseler, PE

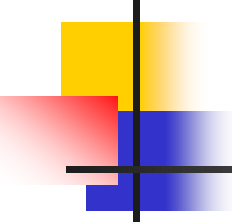
SAME Seattle Post Representative – Mr. John M. Souza, PE

Board Member – Mr. Steve Woolery, PE

Board Member – Mr. Jim Kleppe

Board Member – Mr. John Hickey, PE

Board Member – Mr. Mark Ohlstrom, PE



# SAME – PSE&SSF Shared Objective

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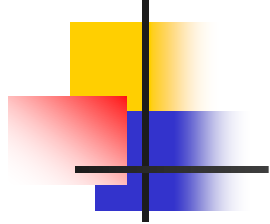
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Provide scholarships to deserving students pursuing education in Engineering, Science, Technology, and related disciplines

# Scholarship History

		High School			Post Sponsored				
	Year	Awards	Value	Subtotal	Awards	Value	Subtotal	Annual Total	
Post	1997	1	\$1,500	\$1,500	2	\$1,500	\$3,000	\$4,500	
	1998	4	\$500	\$2,000	2	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$4,000	
	1999	4	\$500	\$2,000	2	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$4,000	
	2000	4	\$500	\$2,000	5	\$1,000-\$1,500	\$5,500	\$7,500	
				<b>\$7,500</b>			<b>\$12,500</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>	
PSE&SSF	2001	4	\$500	\$2,000	3	\$1,000	\$3,000	\$5,000	
	2002	4	\$500	\$2,000	2	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$4,000	
	2003	4	\$500	\$2,000	2	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$4,000	
	2004	4	\$1,000	\$4,000	5	\$1,000	\$5,000	\$9,000	
	2005	5	\$1,000	\$5,000	7	\$1,000-\$2,000	\$13,000	\$18,000	
	2006	7	\$1,000	\$7,000	8	\$1,000-\$2,000	\$15,000	\$22,000	
	2007	5	\$1,000	\$5,000	9	\$1,000-\$2,000	\$14,000	\$19,000	
	2008	5	\$1,500	\$7,500	7	\$1,000-\$3,000	\$16,000	\$23,500	
	2009	5	\$2,000-\$2,500	\$10,500	5	\$3,000	\$15,000	\$25,500	
	2010	12	\$1,000-\$1,500	\$12,500	6	\$2,000-\$2,500	\$12,500	\$25,000	
	2011	12	\$1,000-\$1,500	\$12,500	6	\$2,000-\$2,500	\$12,500	\$25,000	
	2012	10	\$1,500	\$15,000	7	\$2,000-\$2,500	\$15,000	\$30,000	
	2013	12	\$1,000-\$1,500	\$13,500	6	\$2,000-\$2,500	\$13,500	\$27,000	
	2014	10	\$1,000-\$1,500	\$11,000	5	\$2,000-\$2,500	\$11,000	\$22,000	
	2015	10	\$1,000-\$1,500	\$11,000	5	\$2,000-\$2,500	\$11,000	\$22,000	
	2016	10	\$1,000-\$1,500	\$11,000	5	\$2,000-\$2,500	\$11,000	\$22,000	
	2017	12	\$1,000-\$1,500	\$12,500	6	\$2,000-\$2,500	\$12,500	\$25,000	
	2018	13	\$1,000-\$1,500	\$13,500	6	\$2,000-\$2,500	\$13,500	\$27,000	
	2019	14	\$1,000-\$1,750	\$15,250	6	\$2,250-\$3,000	\$15,250	\$30,500	
2020	14	\$1,000-\$1,750	\$15,250	6	\$2,250-\$3,000	\$15,250	\$30,500		
2021	14	\$1,000-\$2,000	\$16,000	6	\$2,500-\$3,000	\$16,000	\$32,000		
	<b>Summary</b>			<b>\$204,000</b>			<b>\$244,000</b>	<b>\$448,000</b>	

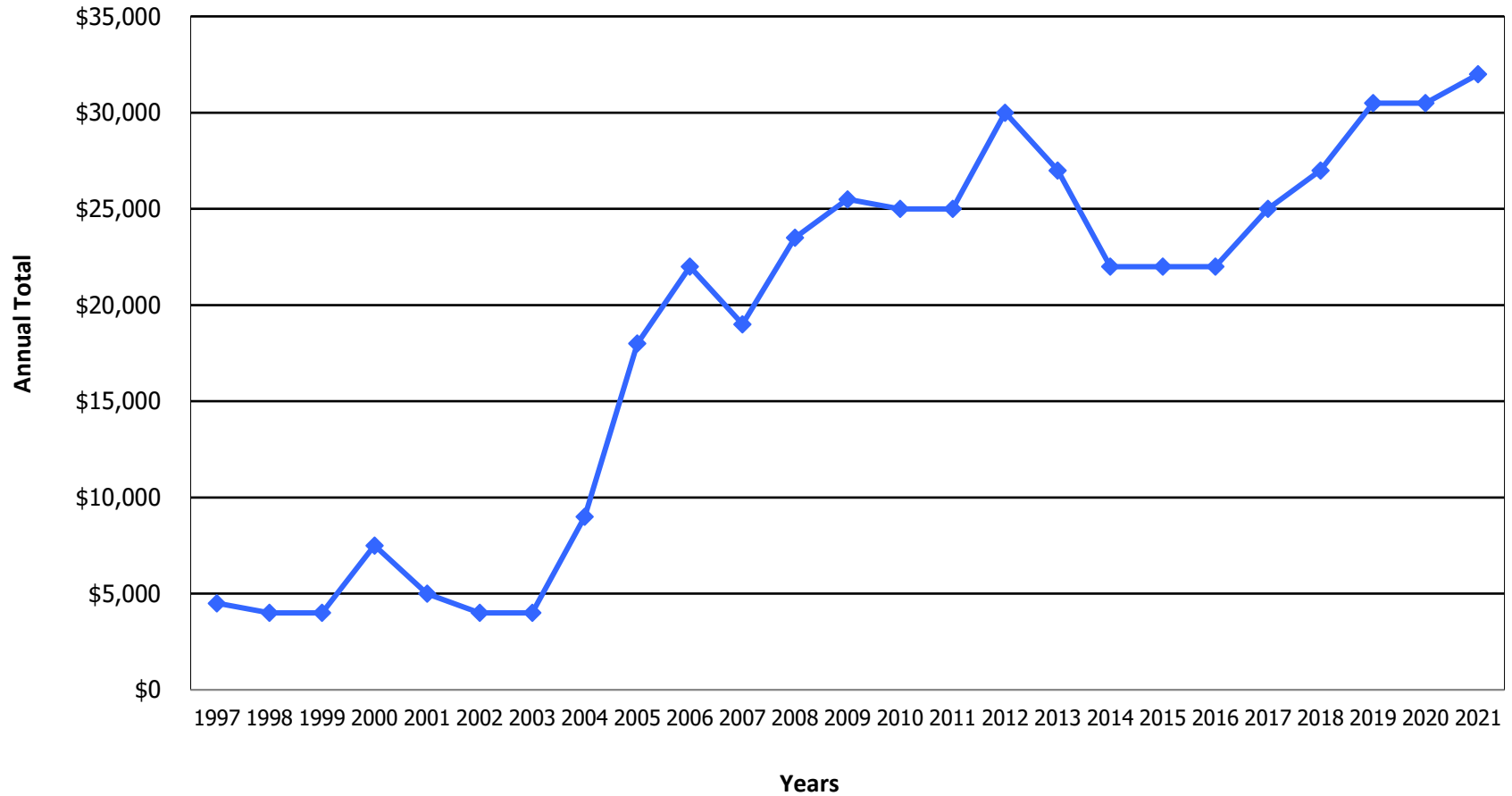
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# Total by Year

Scholarship Summary

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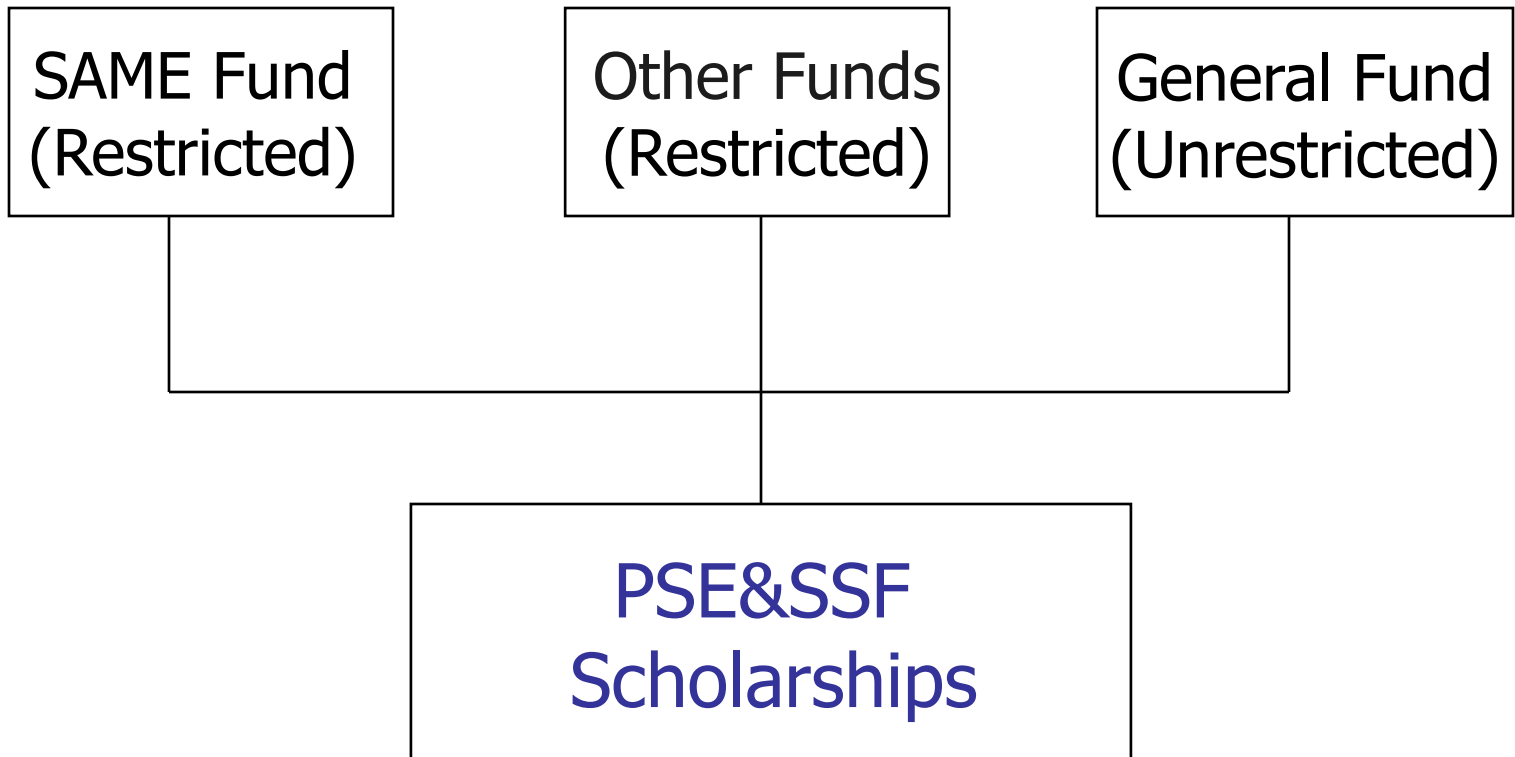




# Scholarship Fund Sources

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- Independent 501(c)(3) organization
- Manages the SAME Post Scholarship Account
- Advertises Scholarships
- Sits Selection Boards
- Notifies:
  - Awardees
  - Schools of Awardees
  - Post of Awardees





# SAME FUND - *Restricted*

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PSE&SSF

- Governed by agreement between SAME Seattle Post and PSE&SSF since 1999
- Selection criteria and procedures contained in governing agreement
- Scholarships restricted to 2 groups:
  - High School
  - Post Member-sponsored (High School or College)



# SAME FUND – *Restricted* (continued)

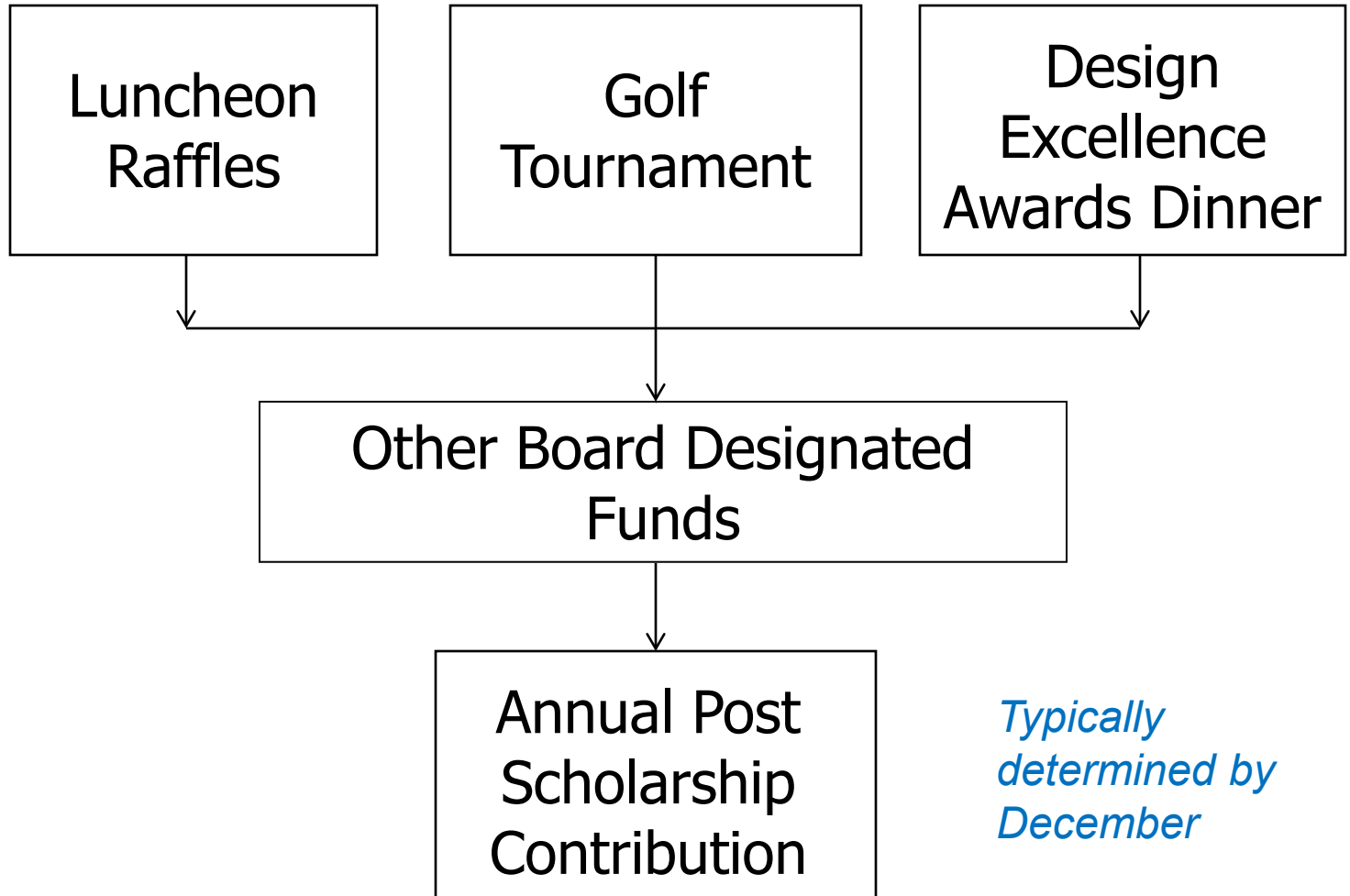
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- Fund investments managed by professional financial advisor (UBS)
- Forecasted Fund earnings based on 5-year cycle: present cycle is 2021 – 2025; calculated allocation of \$12,000/year starting with the 2022 scholarship campaign
- Forecasted earnings plus additional annual Post contribution dictate amount available for yearly scholarships

# Post Annual Funding

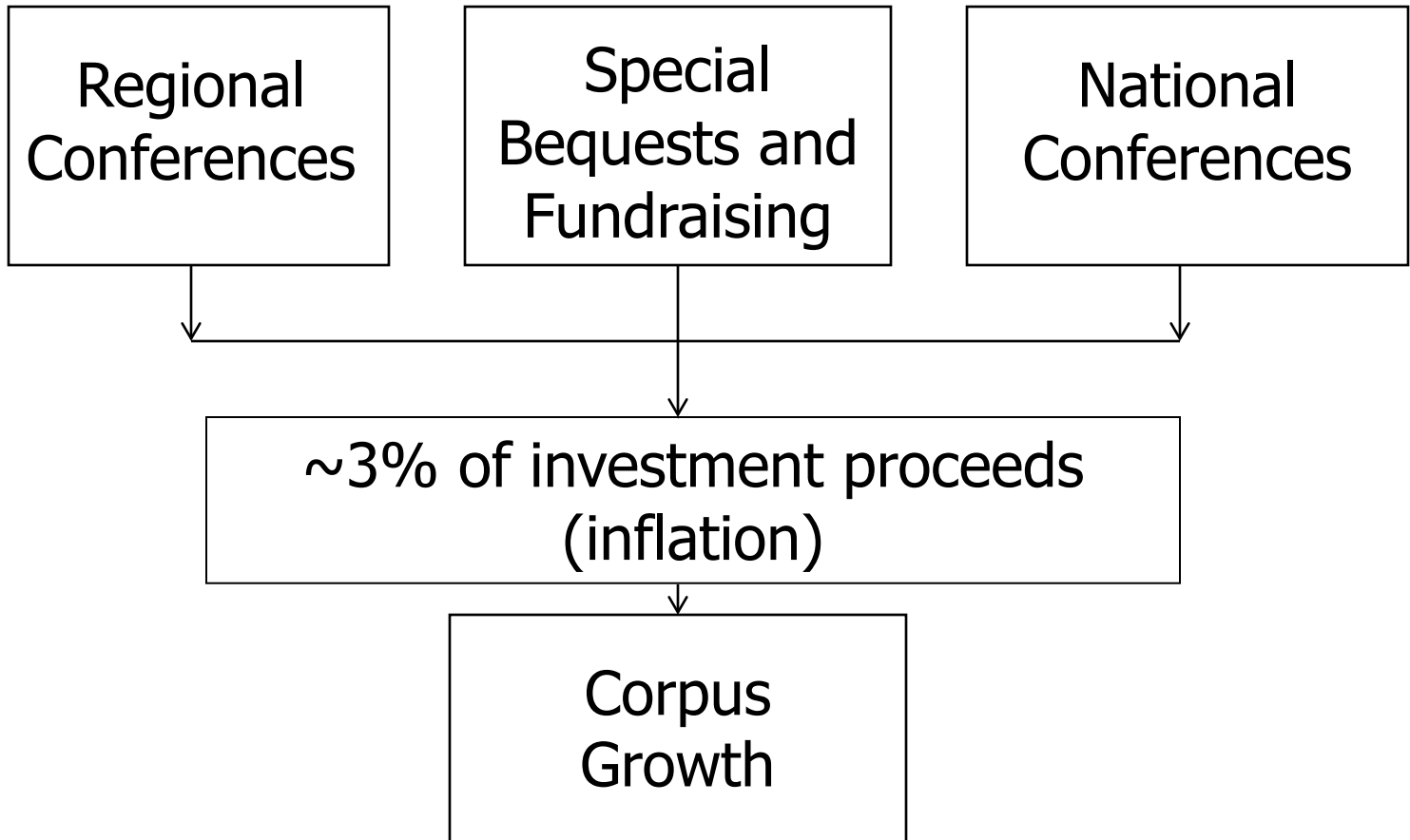
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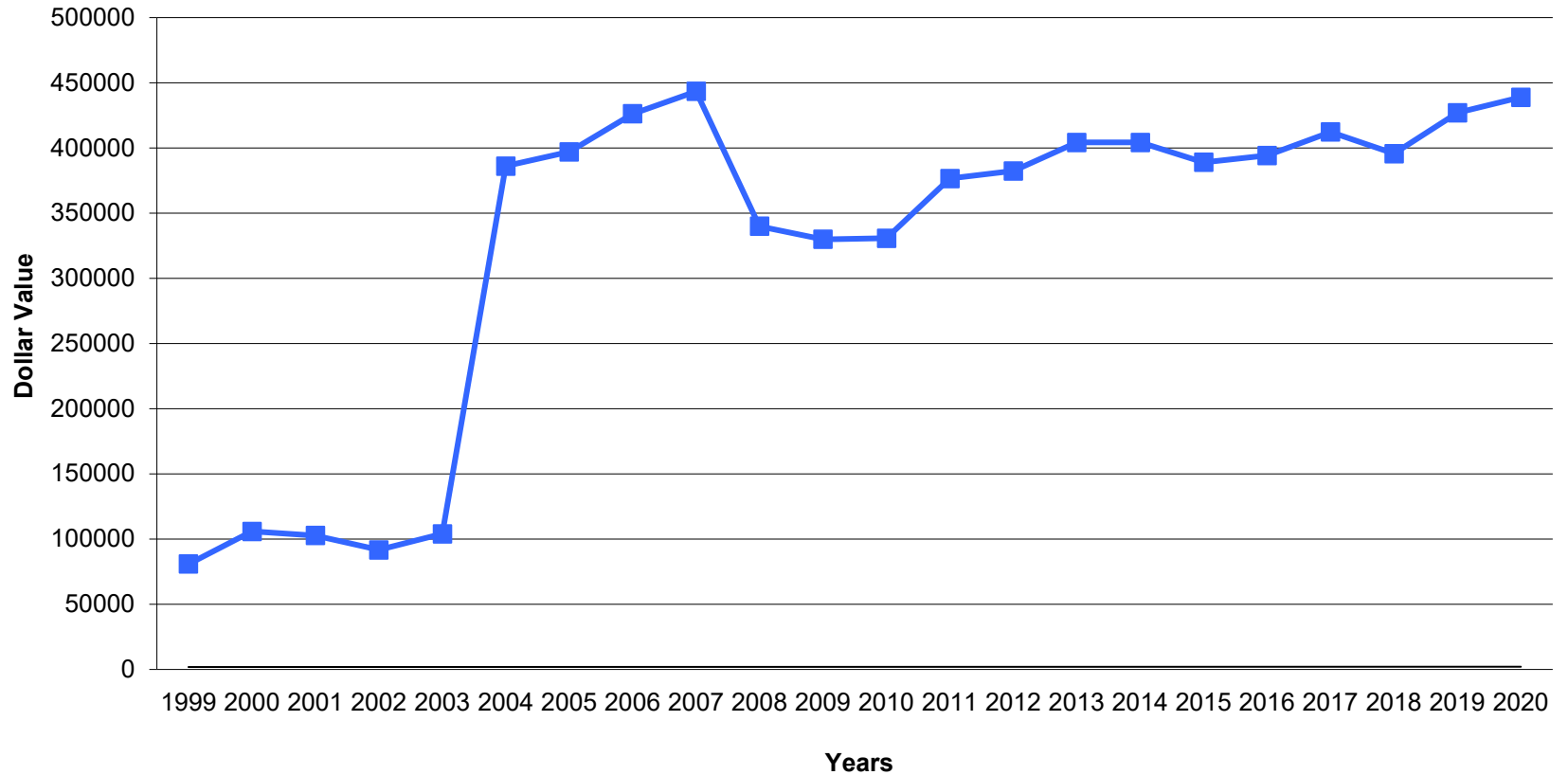
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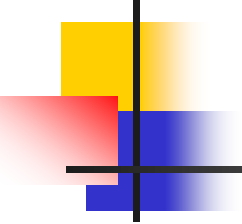
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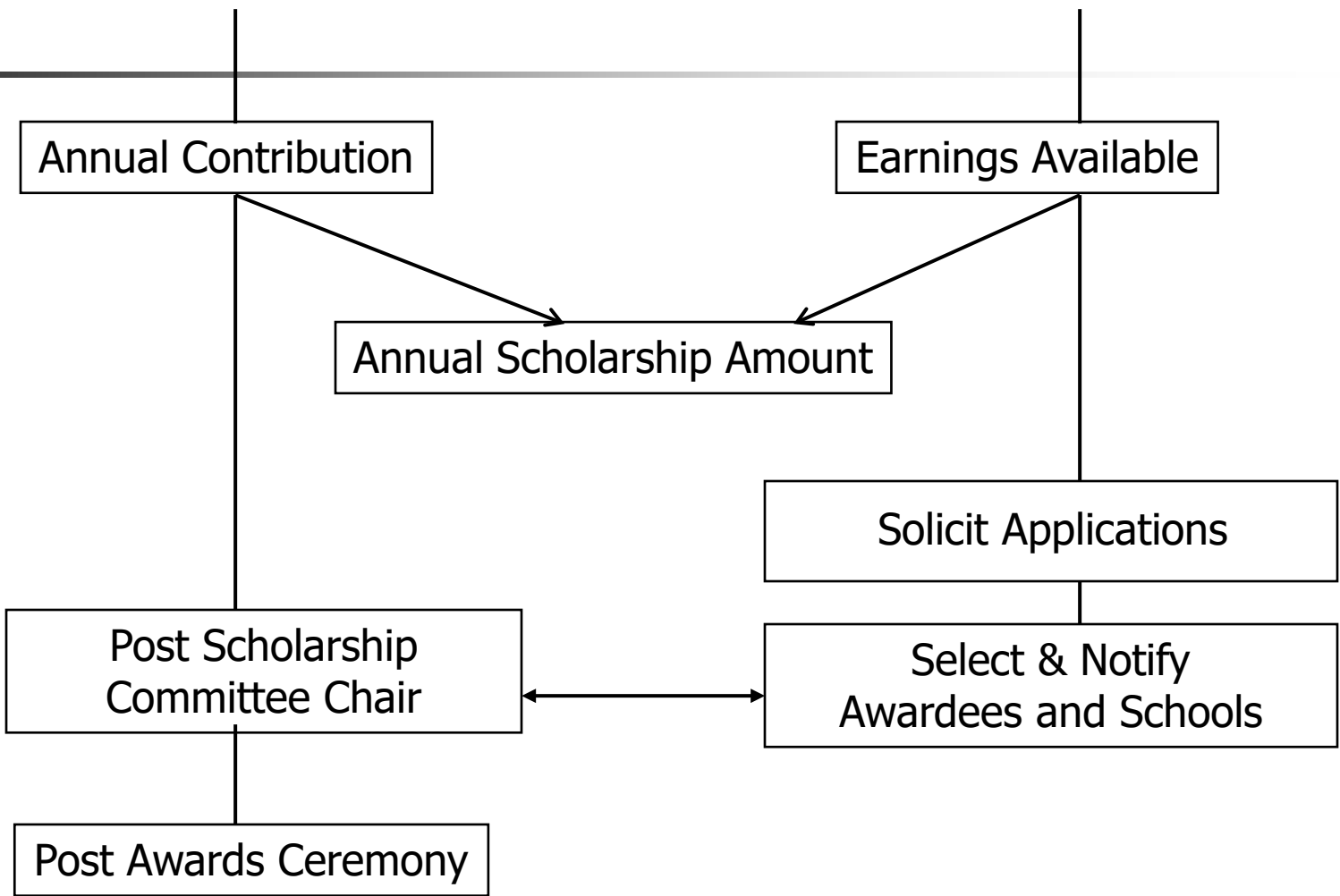


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# Additional scholarship opportunities

- In an effort to increase the number of scholarship awards, PSE&SSF is communicating with Seattle Post sustaining member firms and individual members to encourage them to sponsor an individual scholarship.
- PSE&SSF has already contacted Post sustaining member firms and emailed all Post individual members.
- For a donation of \$1,500 or more, scholarships can be named in honor of a company or person and restricted to a particular discipline and/or school.
- PSE&SSF manages the scholarship process (i.e., advertise scholarship, collect applications, review applications, select scholarship award winner).
- Award winners would be recognized in the Post Scholarship Presentation at Meet-the-Chiefs

# Additional scholarship opportunities

- Seattle Post sustaining member firms and individuals are signing up.  
-- 12 in 2021; likely 8 or more in 2022

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**2021 SAME Seattle Post Presidents  
Scholarship Award Winner**

**Francisca Anunobi  
Mechanical Engineering  
St. Martins University**



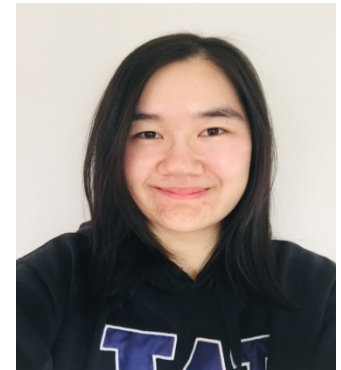
**2021 Blue Trident, LLC  
Scholarship Award Winner**

**Cesar Bedolla-Hurtado  
Civil Engineering  
Washington State University**



**2021 HNTB Scholarship  
Award Winner**

**Amy Huang  
Computer Science  
Franklin High School**



**2021 In Memory of  
Stephen Manthey  
Scholarship Award Winner**

**Christin Lin  
Computer Engineering  
University of Washington**



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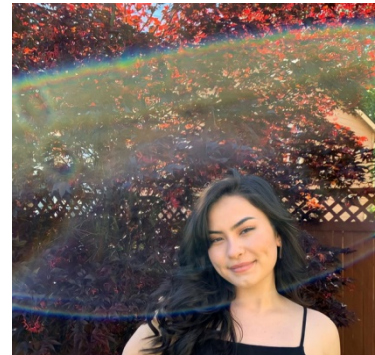
**2021 Anchor QEA Scholarship  
Award Winner**

**Andrew Kuropyatnik  
Civil Engineering  
University of Washington**



**2021 Shannon & Wilson  
Scholarship Award Winner**

**Gabrielle Hager  
Civil & Environmental  
Engineering  
University of Washington**



**2021 EA Engineering, Science,  
and Technology Scholarship  
Award Winner**

**Julianna Folta  
Applied Sciences in Sustainable  
Practices  
Cascadia College**



**2021 Reid Middleton  
Scholarship Award  
Winner**

**Robert Hitch  
Civil Engineering  
University of  
Washington**

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**2021 Stantec Scholarship  
Award Winner**

**Mona Rahimi  
Electrical & Computer  
Engineering  
University of Washington**



**2021 William Wallace  
Wood, Jr.  
Scholarship Award Winner**

**Zage Strassberg-Phillips  
Computer Engineering  
University of Washington**



**2021 WSP Scholarship Award  
Winner**

**Alex Garate  
Civil Engineering  
St. Martin's University**



**2021 Walsh Scholarship  
Award Winner**

**Meghan Smith  
Construction Management  
Washington State University**



# PSE&SSF Timetable

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PSE&SSF

- December 2021
  - Consult with SAME Seattle Post Board Board; this year \$xx,x00 from Seattle Post and \$12,000 from the fund; \$xx,x00 total
- January 2022
  - Solicit High Schools and notify Seattle Post Members by January 31, 2022
- April 2022
  - Scholarships applications due April 8, 2022
- May 2022
  - Selection by May 20, 2022
  - Notifications by May 27, 2022
- June 2022
  - Post Scholarship Presentation at Meet-the-Chiefs



# Recommendations 2022

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PSE&SSF

- \$32,000+ available in 2022 (Estimate based on 2021)
  - \$20,000 available from the SAME Seattle Post; would like to see this allocation remain stable or increase
  - \$12,000 available from PSE&SSF
- Scholarship money is divided evenly between High School Scholarships and Post Member-sponsored Scholarships
- 2022 recommended numbers and amounts (based on 2021)
  - 14 High School scholarships (2 awards at \$2,000 each & 12 awards at \$1,000 each)
  - 2 Post Member-sponsored scholarship awards at \$3,000 each
  - 4 Post Member-sponsored scholarship awards at \$2,500 each

Note: Final numbers and amounts subject to the number and quality of applicants