



**SAME Seattle Post
Board Meeting Minutes
June 1, 2023**

Date/Time: Thursday, 6/1/23, 8:00 am – 9:00 am

**CALL-IN MEETING ONLY: Join via Teams link in calendar evite, or
call-in 1-504-321-1781; Phone Conference ID: 551 450 622#**

Attended

*** Voting member**

In Attendance	Primary Position
Allen Wycoff*	Post President
Scott Harm*	Post 1 st VP
Mark Ohlstrom*	MW Regional VP
Nancy Yee*	Post Director
Manny Bautista*	Post Director
Terry McCann*-	Post Director
Kevin Stoll	MTA Chair
Kim Baker	Outreach
Zachary Pesicka	Programs Chair
Tim Pochop	Kitsap Chapter
Fred Baker*	Treasurer
Troy Alexander	Emergency Preparedness
Wendy Oresik* -	Post Director
Lydia Griffey	Strategy
Ginette Chin -	Mentoring
John Sousa -	Scholarship
Larry Toimil* -	Nominations
Lori Revely	SBPLO (Small Business Post Liaison Officer)
Melissa Grasso -	Communication
Nick Vlahovich	



Meeting Start Time: 8:00

Welcome and Announcements

1. Roll call
2. Declare quorum – **Yes**
3. Approval May 11, 2023 minutes - **Motion, Second, Approved.**
4. Approval June 01, 2023 agenda - **Motion, Second, Approved.**
5. Announcements –

Standing Reports

1. TREASURER (Fred Barker) –
 - a. **Sent report last night Wednesday, May 31. Monthly lunch from activities. Scholarship check for PSE went out.**
 - b. **Tacoma post to screen the funds. They had some issues with their checking.**
2. MEMBERSHIP (Scott Blount) – **Not in attendance.**
3. PROGRAMS (Nick Vlahovich) – **Zach Pesicka is new chair**
 - a. **35 in person and 3 online for the Bear room event.**
 - b. **Update for November event - collaborated with Nick to talk to King County emergency operations folks. Potential that they may join ventures with Pierce and Snohomish County to present. Even if FEMA came through, they will still in the mix. We'll continue to contact FEMA to check their status and keep encouraging them.**
 - c. **Andy – will contact Snohomish.**
 - d. **Venue for holiday social shares considering moving from Elysian Fields. Current venue is consistence and good pricing. Will put out some fillers and get some price to bring into of the bard before any trigger is pulled.**
 - e. **Will reach out to Dave to discuss the joint JBLM about Tacoma and in Seattle post presentation for next year.**

Annual Event Updates *(in calendar order)*

1. MAY 2023 | LUNCHEON PROGRAM 5/16 - United States Coast Guard – Facilities Design and Construction Center (FDCC) Detachment Seattle
 - a. **35 people attended and 3 online. About 10 people went on the tour. We should really consider doing some more tours.**
 - b. **Forgot to do the announcement at the bear room and will need to remind everyone that they can get PDH for it.**
 - i. **From Wendy - there are 2 ways to distribute PDHs: get a list of attendance and send out to everyone or send email asking if they want the certificate and send it out if with confirmation. Recommends going with the easier and more time saving path.**

2. JUNE 2023 | MEET THE CHIEFS 6/5 through 6/7 (Scott Harm)
 - a. Event in Portland. Catherine is still working on getting more people sign up for the event. Block of room reserved for event but not filled.
 - b. Better room rate through hotel honors instead of room block. Reminder to mention the event at check in for some credits. Event website did not include a link nor mentioned of room block reserved for the event.
 - c. Should PDH be exclusively to urban or event? It going to be in coordination with the Portland post on PDH certifications. Allen to provide contact info to Wendy for coordination.

Committee Updates

1. COMMUNICATIONS (Melissa Grasso) – We did not get a lot of updated communications material regarding Meet the Chiefs event. The message went out with incorrect links earlier this week. It is corrected. There was another updated schedule for Friday but still lack of communication between the posts from our advertising to our group. We could supply our email list to them if that was something they prefer to manage the communication.
 - i. Nancy volunteer to call around but was declined that it was taken care off.
2. COMMUNITY OUTREACH (TBD) -
3. EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (Andy Hough / Troy Alexander) – From Andy - No update other than what discussed to line up speakers for November.
4. ENERGY AND SUSTAINABILITY (Wendy Oresik) – No updates. Discussed PDH certificates distribution.
5. ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CAMPS (Terry McCann) – No news to report. Three students selected and all scheduled to attend to camps later this month.
6. KITSAP CHAPTER (Manny Bautista / Tim Pochop) –Brief the NAVFAC Northwest. Discussed opportunities, leadership opportunities, and vacancies on the board.
 - a. Noticed from doing prep research that Seattle post website is not providing clear updates for the luncheon events.
 - b. Still working out a networking mixer social event in Bremerton or Silverdale for September. Start bimonthly to gauge their level of interest in participation. Planning to put together a budget and submit to the post. Will discuss format with Fred. Looking to start with something low that the Navy fold would pay such as a day donation or \$5 nominal fee to cover some cost. Maybe asking some money from Seattle posts, budget, or rotate through sponsors.
7. MEMBERSHIP:
 2. MEMBERSHIP – RETENTION AND NEW (Scott Blount) -
 3. MEMBERSHIP – SUSTAINER FIRMS (Jamie Fleek) –



4. MEMBERSHIP – YOUNG MEMBERS (TBD – Zach Pesicka temporary) – No updates, no issue. Just the sustaining member presentation.
 - a. From Melissa – Typically, we do offer the sustaining firms the ability to post their logo as well as a company bio, a paragraph or so. By emailing that info to Melissa. In the past 6 months, not very many firms have been taking advantage of that. A benefit for free advertising from our website for those participating in luncheon meetings and doing their presentations.
 - b. William Shelton for YP chair. Motion, Second, Approved.
 - c. The scheduling and access for the Visit to the Ballard Locks event still depend solely on the maintenance crew and Mark's contact. It will be a fantastic opportunity to gather new members and allow them to witness the dewatering process. Even if dewatering access is not possible, observing the ships going through the lock cycle will still be a remarkable experience.
 - i. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT (Caroline Roberts) – not in attendance
 - ii. STEM/UW STUDENT CHAPTER (Zach Pesicka/Tim Prochiop) – Tim has gotten his information out to those folks from the Navy. Their leadership will not push it on them. If they interested, they would have to come to us.
 1. Reach out again to the Navy ROTC in fall to ask him to connect us with the new grade students. At least one is from NAVFAC NW.
8. NOMINATIONS (Larry Toimil) – Our slate and vote will be taking place on in Portland.
9. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (Wendy Oresik) – See PDH under May event.
10. SCHOLARSHIPS (John Souza)
 - a. As of this week, finalized all selections for scholarship award winners. Just got selection for high school and post members sponsored award winners and will get the finalist list over to Melissa to post on our website.
 - b. Will have a PowerPoint for the scholarship finalist to be display at Meet the Chief. In the past, it was shown in the break but not sure for this year.
 - c. In the process of allocating almost \$70,000. We had a fair number of sponsored scholarships come through. Then we also have the joint fund between the post, PSC and SSF. It was a tough competition, with a good outcome.
11. SMALL BUSINESS COMMITTEE (Lori Revely) – not in attendance
12. STRATEGIC PLANNING AND STREAMER AWARDS (Lydia Griffy) –set up meeting for participating in a mid-year check in for strategic planning the week of June 26th. Wanted to get pass Meet the Chief event. Several chairs have expressed an interest. If anybody on this call wants to be part of checking in on where we are on our goals to date and goals, we can accomplish this year, send Lydia an email. Lydia will be reaching out to Scott and sharing the requirement for the streamers or strategic planning.
13. VETERAN ASSISTANCE (TBD)



New Business:

Allen is stepping down as chair. Scott is taking over.

Meet the Chief event in Portland next week.

Recruiting for: Assistant Treasurer, Assistant Secretary, Secretary, Young Member VP, Small Business Symposium Organizer, Emergency Preparedness.

Meeting End Time: 8:42 AM

END OF AGENDA