



**SAME Seattle Post
Board Meeting Minutes Thursday October 5, 2023**

Time: 8:00 am – 9:00 am

*** Voting Board member**

Name	Position	In Attendance
Scott Harm*	Post President	X
Allen Wycoff	Immediate Past Post President	X
Faith Powell*	Post 1 st VP	
Robert Schlesinger*	Post 2 nd VP*	X
William Shelton*	Young Professionals VP	X
Scott Kinney*	Secretary	X
Fred Barker*	Treasurer	X
Manny Bautista*	Post Director (2021-2024)	X
Terry McCann*	Post Director (2021-2024)/Engineering & Construction Camps POC	
Nancy Yee*	Post Director (2023-2026)	X
Ryan Peterson*	Post Director (2023-2026)	X
Andy Hough	Emergency Preparedness	
Kevin Stoll	Meet The Agencies Committee Chair	
OPEN POSITION	Outreach Committee Chair	
Zachery Pesicka	Programs Chair/STEM/Student Chapter	X
Nick Vlahovich	Programs Asst. Chair	X
Caroline Roberts	Leadership Development/Regional VP	X
Tim Pochop	Kitsap Chapter/STEM/Student Chapter	X
Kim Baker	Membership POC	
Wendy Oresik	Professional Development/Energy & Sustainability	
Lydia Griffey	Strategy/Streamers/Awards POC	X
Ginette Chin	Mentoring	
John Souza	Scholarships	
OPEN POSITION	Nominations	
OPEN POSITION	SBPLO (Small Business Post Liaison Officer)	
Melissa Grasso	Communication/Post Web Master	X
OPEN POSITION	Community Outreach	
Michael Albone	Veterans Assistance	X
Manny Bautista	Post Fellows POC	X



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Welcome and Announcements

1. Roll call (*see page 1*).
2. Declare quorum.
3. Approval September 7, 2023; MINUTES. [Approved](#)
4. Approval October 5, 2023; AGENDA. [Approved](#)
5. Announcements.
 - i. Northern Tier RVP requested that we vote on financial assistance to the Lewis and Clark Post. The Post agreed (voted and approved) to participate and a payment has since been made.

Standing Reports

1. TREASURER (Fred Barker).
2. MEMBERSHIP Membership report posted to Google Drive.
3. PROGRAMS (Zach Pesicka, Nick Vlahovich, and Faith Powell) –
 - a. October social update. October 19th from 5-7pm
 - i. [Jellyfish Brewing for ~40 people on the 19th from 5 to 7 PM](#)
 - ii. [Currently have Spees as a sponsor, awaiting word from Stantec and Eurofins](#)
 - iii. [Eventbrite should be live 10/5/23](#)
 - iv. [Will need to have someone there in person to pay](#)
 - b. November 14th Emergency Operations Month – Location: Jackson Federal Building.
 - i. [14th November at Jackson Federal Building 1130 to 1300](#)
 - ii. [I have a current project conflict, but looking to shift that around, may need a backup to MC](#)
 - iii. [The format will be a panel of King, Pierce and Snohomish counties and someone from USCG](#)
 - iv. [The topics will center around what do emergency managers do and the context will be fire safety](#)
 - v. [We will have questions set up with a back and forth between the agencies to create and approve the questions, if we have time we can add some from the audience.](#)
 - vi. [The format will be 10 min of up-front material, 40 min of panel and 10 min of back end.](#)
 - vii. [Zach will send out a draft agenda as we get a bit closer to the meeting.](#)
 - viii. [Andy will initiate discussions on the questions.](#)
 - ix. [The intent of this is an ongoing relationship between SAME and the agencies to keep emergency management on a recurring basis \(TBD\).](#)
 - c. Young Professionals Event at the Ballard Locks December 6th.



- i. Use as a benefit to increase attendance for Holiday social attendance
- d. Holiday Social
 - i. Set for 6 to 9 PM on the 7th, Elysian Fields Restaurant in SODO
 - ii. September board approval for \$500 deposit, awaiting contract from the restaurant
 - iii. Toys for Tots has been requested, two Marines, they are evaluating
- e. Meet the Agencies (Zach reported for Kevin Stoll)
 - i. Venue is reserved – SEA Crowne Plaza (Thu, 1/25/24)
 - ii. Proposed Format – In-person only, with the option to view a recording for those who don't attend (same price as in-person?)
 - iii. Planned Agencies:
 - a. Sound Transit
 - b. Port of Seattle
 - c. WSDOT
 - d. WA State DES
 - e. University of Washington
 - f. PTAC
 - g. American Indian Chamber Education Fund Procurement Technical Assistance Center (AICEF PTAC)
 - h. Pierce Co and/or Port of Tacoma (possible options)
 - i. Mt Tacoma – Emcee, AV & marketing support to be requested
 - j. King County not attending. Can we get them back? Bob Schlesinger will call Tony Wright.
 - k. UW
- f. Meet the Chiefs - [Main POC Portland Post \[Action Item: Zach to reach out to Portland Post\]](#)
 - i. [Develop small committee to bring event together](#)
 - ii. [\[Action Item: Lydia to champion, Bob and Caroline to help\]](#)
- g. SAME Programs | Sip & Strategize
 - i. We have held a couple of these with no name specifically, but Zach will continue to hold them with Nick and whoever wants to come, next one was going to be mid-October, but with the fill in social, wondering if folks would prefer a September meetup
 - ii. Thinking one every 6 weeks or so alternating between Seattle and Tacoma area
- h. Joint JBLM and Mt Tacoma Post coordinating with Dave Newkirk. Awaiting *response to Dave Newkirk from the JBLM DPW deputy– may not work. Push to Feb 2024?*
- i. Wendy on PDHs and send out an email to attendees. *Wendy will work on this after taking care of some personal issues.*



- j. Small Business Symposium 2024, April 15th and 16th, 2024, Kitsap Conference Center, Bremerton
 - i. *Kitsap Conference Center again, we are reserved.*
 - ii. *Total price quoted is \$23,850 for now.*
 - iii. *Next steps will be reach out to speakers and start getting sponsorship information out. There is another meeting on this with Lori and Jessica on the 21st.*
 - iv. *Keynote will be about SIOP from NAVFAC or Todd Semonite, TBD*
 - v. *Will need authorization for deposit, will be about \$5,500 based on last year's.*
 - vi. *Update and pricing for SBS Event Center*

Annual Event Updates (in calendar order; NOTE: Some Dates are Moving)

1. December 7, 2023 | **Holiday Social** | Location: [Elysian Fields Restaurant in SODO](#)
POC is Zach Pesicka.
2. January 25, 2024 | **Meet The Agencies** | Crown Plaza SeaTac. *POC is Kevin Stoll.*
3. April 18, 2024 | **Small Business Symposium** | Kitsap Convention Center. *POC is Zach Pesicka.*
4. June 7, 2024 | **Meet The Chiefs** | Location TBD (Suggested SeaTac Crown Plaza for easy access | Duration TBD (set up and evening social the night before the actual event. *Needs a lead to start planning.*
5. Late July "Summer Social Returns with a BLAST". *Needs a lead to start planning.*
6. August xx, 2024 | **Steve Woolery Annual Golf Tournament** | Eagles Pride Golf Course | Exit 116 Interstate 5 | Adjacent to JBLM. Dave Newkirk POC?
7. October xx, 2024 | **Design Excellence** | Location TBD (Flatstick Pub Westlake Ave South Lake Union at Mercer) *POC is Faith Powell*

Committee Updates

1. COMMUNICATIONS (Melissa Grasso) - [Looking for EventBrite links for autumn social and other upcoming events. Get the word out. Post on website for holiday social. Look to decommission old website.](#)
2. COMMUNITY OUTREACH (TBD) – [Will this committee continue operating?](#)
3. EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (Andy Hough) – [Ongoing planning - Andy is on top of it](#)
4. ENERGY AND SUSTAINABILITY (Wendy Oresik) –
5. ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CAMPS (Terry McCann)



6. KITSAP CHAPTER (Manny Bautista / Tim Pochop) –
 - i. **Blue Trident Open House 11 October 2023 16:00 - till closing**
 - ii. Food/Drink, etc
 - iii. Can walk from the ferry - no need to bring your car
 - iv. Everyone loved Horse and Cow bar event venue

7. MEMBERSHIP:
 1. MEMBERSHIP – RETENTION AND NEW (Kim Baker) – [See report below](#)
 2. MEMBERSHIP – SUSTAINER FIRMS (Zach Pesicka)
 3. MEMBERSHIP – YOUNG MEMBERS (William Shelton) –
 - a. *Hiram Chittenden Locks Annual Maintenance (DRY) Inspection and Repairs. Eventbrite will be made this week for distribution early next week **DATE: December 6th.***
 - b. *Topgolf Event Renton. Request use of remaining \$320 from Boots and Brews event to book two bays. **DATE: 9 November***
 - i. Up to 12 golfers - 16 total at the booth (3 slots for non-golfers)
 - ii. Allocate previous funds to support this event: [Approved.](#)

Post membership totals as of October 1, 2023

	Last Month	Current Month	Change
Company Members	86	87	+1
Individual Members	529	535	+6

Upcoming Membership Outreaches

- → New Member Welcome Email – October 10, 2023
- → October Social Event Highlight – October 17, 2023 (in conjunction with Communications)
- → Company or Individual Member Highlight Profile/Q&A – October 24, 2023

8. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT (Caroline Roberts) –.
9. STEM/UW STUDENT CHAPTER (Zach Pesicka) – [Zach engaging as wsp for recruiting](#)
10. NOMINATIONS (Vacant Position) –
11. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (Wendy Oresik) –.
12. SCHOLARSHIPS (John Souza) –.
13. SMALL BUSINESS COMMITTEE (VACANT POSITION) -
14. STRATEGIC PLANNING AND STREAMER AWARDS (Lydia Griffey) –
15. VETERANS ASSISTANCE (Michael Albone).

New Business:



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- President's discretionary fund \$1,000 per year (50/50)
 - Further discussion and consideration was recommended and need to determine a path forward
 - Understand concern and potential for abuse if not managed correctly.