

## SAME Omaha Post Monthly Meeting – March 5, 2026

**Date:** 5 March 2026

**Time:** 12:00 PM Central Time (CT)

### Future Post Meeting Dates

- Tuesday, March 10, 2026- -Mobile Mapping and Aerial LiDAR – R.W. Engineering & Surveying (Pat Gjork)
- Tuesday, April 14, 2026 – *SMP Award Winner Presentation* – Nicole Hunter
- Tuesday, May 12, 2026 – Nebraska Task Force 1 – Ashley Engler
- Tuesday, July 14, 2026 – USAF - Modern Drone Application - *Change of Officers* and potential *Post Awards Presentation*
- Tuesday, August 11, 2026 – Crossroads Development Presentation - Jen Perez, MCL Construction
- Tuesday, September 8, 2026- PFAS soil remediation strategy - Rapid Leaching Technology (RLT) and its applicability to MILCON - Shaun Malin – Principal & Director of Strategic Development at HRP Associates Inc.
- Tuesday, October 13, 2026 - Secure Construction (ICD 705, SCIFs), Laurie Smithers- Conti Federal
- Tuesday, November 10, 2026 – Placeholder for Public Sector Event
- Tuesday, December 8, 2026 – Placeholder for USACE Omaha District Program Update

**Call to Order-** COL Robert Newbauer: calls the meeting to order at 12:00 PM CT.

**Roll Call and Determination of Quorum-** COL Newbauer conducted the roll call and confirmed a quorum was present (9 or more from this list).

President: COL Robert Newbauer

Secretary: Chris Artz

Treasurer: Brian Schuele

VP for Service Members and Veterans: Rob Hufford

VP for IGE: Bobbi Jo Lang

VP for Resilience: Don Fucik

VP for Professional Development and Personal Growth: Kandi Srb

VP for Leadership and Mentoring: Tom Svoboda

Past President: Stephanie Heibel

Director for Communications: Jill Zehr

Director for Awards and Recognition: Laurie Smithers

Director for Student Chapters: Stephanie Ling

Director for Young Members: Devin Mueller

Director for Fellows: Natasha Gromak

Co-Director for Student Mentoring: Anne Peterson

Co-Director for Student Mentoring: Bill Glismann

Members at Large in attendance (not counted toward quorum):

Programs: Jake Batenhorst

Programs: Ted Kocher

Industry Day: Cindy Lincicome

Industry Day: Jackie Olsommer

Scholarships & Camps: Sean Bayer

Scholarships & Camps: Lannae Long

Small Business: Veronica Doga

- Roger Wozny
- Brec Wilshusen
- Chris Langan
- Ryan Watzke

**Approval of Minutes** – The February 2026 meeting minutes were presented for approval. Motion to approve was made by Natasha Gromak and seconded by Laurie Smithers. The minutes were approved without objections.

## Reports

**President: COL Robert Newbauer** reported on new members and discussed ideas for the JETS conference, including topics such as fuels and IIS. He emphasized outreach to design firms, pursuit of IDIQ opportunities, and continued attention to program execution.

**Secretary: Chris Artz** had nothing significant to report.

**Treasurer: Brian Schuele** reported that the 2026 budget has been entered, that Industry Day revenue is being received, and that the annual report is due at the end of March.

**VP for Service Members and Veterans: Rob Hufford** reported he has been reviewing the recent touches to the transition workshop, and noted that the 50-mile march volunteer application closes March 6.

**VP for IGE: Bobbi Jo Lang** reported that she has a new email address. As of March 1 the Post has gained 21 new members, and that she is developing the IGE program for JETS. Laurie Smithers reported that she attended the Fort Worth Post luncheon this week where the Post invited a specific small business, introduced the business at the luncheon, and used the opportunity to market the benefits of Post membership; she offered this approach as an option for our Post. Bobbi Jo Lang noted that she will relay the idea and make the necessary connections.

**VP for Resilience: Don Fucik** reported that he attended a national resiliency meeting where he learned how academia is addressing resiliency.

**VP for Professional Development and Personal Growth: Kandi Srb** – asked whether our programs count for AIA credits, and the Omaha Post is not an approved provider but can be submitted for open (nonapproved provider credit). Registration is open for JETS, requested budget for JETS from committee, Fellow's lunch coordinated.

**VP for Leadership and Mentoring: Tom Svoboda** reported that the quarterly newcomers' orientation has been successful, that many participants have become active in the Post, and that the committee will invite this year's new members to next year's orientation while seeking ways to improve the program. There is a tour of Offutt on April 23. Tom thanks those for helping in his Fellows application. He has been selected as a Fellow this year.

**Past President: Stephanie Heibel** reported that she is developing a Thank You note format, that she sent an email to government golfers.

**Director for Communications: Jill Zehr** – Not present. Chris Artz asks that Tom work with Jill to get a program summary posted in the Post Notes section of the TME.

**Director for Awards and Recognition: Laurie Smithers** – No report

**Director for Student Chapters: Stephanie Ling** – UNO student chapter is without a rep (Caiden no longer an Engineering major), MCC chapter students held social event – 12-15 folks attended. T-shirt orders continue to come in.

**Director for Young Members: Devin Mueller** – spoke Richard Mahn on 19 FEB on transition from student members to young members, looking at a social event for YP at Omaha Sports and Games in Elkhorn.

**Director for Fellows: Natasha Gromak** – Fellows luncheon on Thursday of JETS. Nominations: Col. M. Mark Russell, Commander of 55th Mission Support Group was nominated for Post President and is willing.

**Directors for Student Mentoring: Anne Peterson with Bill Glismann** – Lannae Long reported that more than

100 students are participating in the Student Mentoring program this year. Project submissions are due by March 12, and judges will review the projects following that deadline. The competition day and awards ceremony are scheduled for March 26; Nicole Hunter ([samesmp@gmail.com](mailto:samesmp@gmail.com)) has requested one additional judge and noted that volunteers will receive a complimentary lunch. There was a question about whether the additional judge was for high school or middle school; the working assumption at this time is that it is for at middle school level.

## **Committee Reports**

**Industry Day: Cindy Lincicome and Jackie Olsommer** – Chris Artz reported that more than 100 attendees have registered for Industry Day and that registration revenue has exceeded \$100,000. He noted that registration fees will increase by \$100 after this week and will increase again after May 1.t

**Programs: Ted Kocher** reported that the 2026 program slate is nearly full and that the only remaining open date is October 13. He asked members to canvas ideas for that date and report back to him. Ted also confirmed that R.W. Engineering & Surveying is presenting at the March 10 lunch and that 43 people are currently signed up for that event.

**Scholarships & Camps: Sean Bayer – (Lannae)** Lannae Long reported that the scholarship application period has closed with six applicants submitting materials. The scholarship committee is reviewing the applications and plans to present awards on March 26. The committee will provide a recommendation to the VP for Leadership and Mentoring which will approve the awards. Sean confirmed that only one camp mentor volunteer has been received (Chris Artz) and that a travel budget has been reserved to cover Chris Artz's travel.

**Small Business: Veronica Doga** – (Chris Artz reported that Veronica is coordinating with Daniel Curado with the SBA (and others)for presentation at JETS during SB session.

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Meeting adjourned by COL Rob Newbauer at 12:46 PM CT.

Minutes prepared by COL Rob Newbauer on March 5, 2026, Minutes edited and formatted by Chris Artz on March 6, 2026.



# S.A.M.E. OMAHA POST INCOME STATEMENT

January 2026

Category	1/1/2026- 1/31/2026	OVERALL TOTAL
<b>INCOME</b>		
Treasurer	15.15	15.15
VP for Development and Growth		
Monthly Meeting Registrations	781.04	781.04
TOTAL VP for Development and Gr...	781.04	781.04
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>796.19</b>	<b>796.19</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
VP for Development and Growth_		
Monthly Programs	3,519.81	3,519.81
Scholarships and Camps	6,000.00	6,000.00
TOTAL VP for Development and Gr...	9,519.81	9,519.81
VP for Leadership and Mentoring_		
SMP Steering Committee	5,335.45	5,335.45
TOTAL VP for Leadership and Men...	5,335.45	5,335.45
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>14,855.26</b>	<b>14,855.26</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>-14,059.07</b>	<b>-14,059.07</b>



# S.A.M.E. OMAHA POST INCOME STATEMENT

February 2026

Category	2/1/2026- 2/28/2026	OVERALL TOTAL
<b>INCOME</b>		
Treasurer	17.83	17.83
VP for Development and Growth		
Industry Day	101,908.95	101,908.95
Monthly Meeting Registrations	343.04	343.04
Scholarships - Donations	367.52	367.52
Scholarships - Split Kitty Sales	25.00	25.00
TOTAL VP for Development and Gr...	102,644.51	102,644.51
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>102,662.34</b>	<b>102,662.34</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Treasurer_		
Misc. Expenses	295.30	295.30
TOTAL Treasurer_	295.30	295.30
VP for Development and Growth_		
Industry Day	500.00	500.00
Monthly Meeting Registrations	94.85	94.85
TOTAL VP for Development and Gr...	594.85	594.85
VP for Leadership and Mentoring_		
SMP Steering Committee	8,210.30	8,210.30
TOTAL VP for Leadership and Men...	8,210.30	8,210.30
VP for Relationships_		
Director for Communications	24.19	24.19
TOTAL VP for Relationships_	24.19	24.19
VP for Young Members and Students		
Young Members	148.94	148.94
TOTAL VP for Young Members and...	148.94	148.94
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>9,273.58</b>	<b>9,273.58</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>93,388.76</b>	<b>93,388.76</b>

CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE	\$112,867.28
INVESTMENT ACCOUNT BALANCE	\$893,685.00
INVESTMENT ACCOUNT PRINCIPAL AMOUNT	\$553,000.00



## S.A.M.E. OMAHA POST 2026 BUDGET

As of 03/05/26

Category	Actual	2026 Budget	Difference
<b>INCOME</b>	<b>122,761.55</b>	<b>372,100.00</b>	<b>-249,338.45</b>
Treasurer	32.98	100.00	-67.02
VP for Development and Growth	<b>121,145.32</b>	<b>360,000.00</b>	<b>-238,854.68</b>
Industry Day	119,628.72	315,000.00	-195,371.28
Monthly Meeting Registrations	1,124.08	12,000.00	-10,875.92
Scholarships - Donations	367.52	1,000.00	-632.48
Scholarships - Interest Income	0.00	30,000.00	-30,000.00
Scholarships - Split Kitty Sales	25.00	2,000.00	-1,975.00
VP for Leadership and Mentoring	<b>0.00</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>	<b>-5,000.00</b>
Fellows Coordinator	0.00	0.00	0.00
SMP Steering Committee	0.00	5,000.00	-5,000.00
VP for Relationships	<b>1,583.25</b>	<b>7,000.00</b>	<b>-5,416.75</b>
Annual Membership Dues	1,583.25	7,000.00	-5,416.75
Small Business Liason	0.00	0.00	0.00
Veterans Outreach	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>24,128.84</b>	<b>371,145.00</b>	<b>347,016.16</b>
Treasurer_	<b>295.30</b>	<b>3,600.00</b>	<b>3,304.70</b>
Misc. Expenses	295.30	3,600.00	3,304.70
VP for Development and Growth_	<b>10,114.66</b>	<b>269,200.00</b>	<b>259,085.34</b>
Industry Day	500.00	200,000.00	199,500.00
Monthly Meeting Registrations	94.85	100.00	5.15
Monthly Programs	3,519.81	21,000.00	17,480.19
PDHs	0.00	0.00	0.00
Scholarships and Camps	6,000.00	48,100.00	42,100.00
VP for Leadership and Mentoring_	<b>13,545.75</b>	<b>66,625.00</b>	<b>53,079.25</b>
Fellows Coordinator	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
SMP Steering Committee	13,545.75	65,125.00	51,579.25
VP for Relationships_	<b>24.19</b>	<b>19,920.00</b>	<b>19,895.81</b>
Community Donations	0.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
Director for Awards and Recognition	0.00	970.00	970.00
Director for Black Hills Chapter	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Director for Communications	24.19	200.00	175.81
Engineering Roundtable and E-Week	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
National SAME Event Support	0.00	9,550.00	9,550.00
Public Agency Partnerships	0.00	500.00	500.00
Small Business Liason	0.00	500.00	500.00
Veteran Outreach - Comm. Involvem...	0.00	700.00	700.00
VP for Resilience	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1,800.00</b>	<b>1,800.00</b>
Resiliency Expenses	0.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
VP for Young Members and Students	<b>148.94</b>	<b>10,000.00</b>	<b>9,851.06</b>
Student Chapter	0.00	7,500.00	7,500.00
Young Members	148.94	2,500.00	2,351.06
<b>Net Difference:</b>	<b>98,632.71</b>	<b>955.00</b>	<b>97,677.71</b>