

National Update

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Introduction

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Director of Defense Programs, HDR

- 34 years in the Navy -- retired as the Commander of NAVFAC and the Navy's 46th Chief of Civil Engineers. Excited to now be in the private sector as an employee-owner at HDR!
- SAME member since 1998; 2025 Academy of Fellows; 2022-2025 SAME Executive Advisory Group
- FUN FACT: Spent 3 ½ years on Submarines



HDR



Strategic Plan 2030: Interdependent Goals



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— STRATEGIC PLAN —
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SOCIETY OF AMERICAN MILITARY ENGINEERS
DEDICATED TO NATIONAL SECURITY • ESTABLISHED 1920
2030 SAME STRATEGIC PLAN | EFFECTIVE: JAN. 1, 2025 — DEC. 31, 2029



National President's Priorities

“BUILD THE BOND”

✓ **Meet Them at the Point of Need...**

to DRIVE PARTNERSHIPS

✓ **Optimize Our Impact...**

as we DELIVER SOLUTIONS

✓ **Fuel Our Profession...**

as we DEVELOP PEOPLE



JETC 2025: Mike Huffstetler and the Engineering Service Leaders

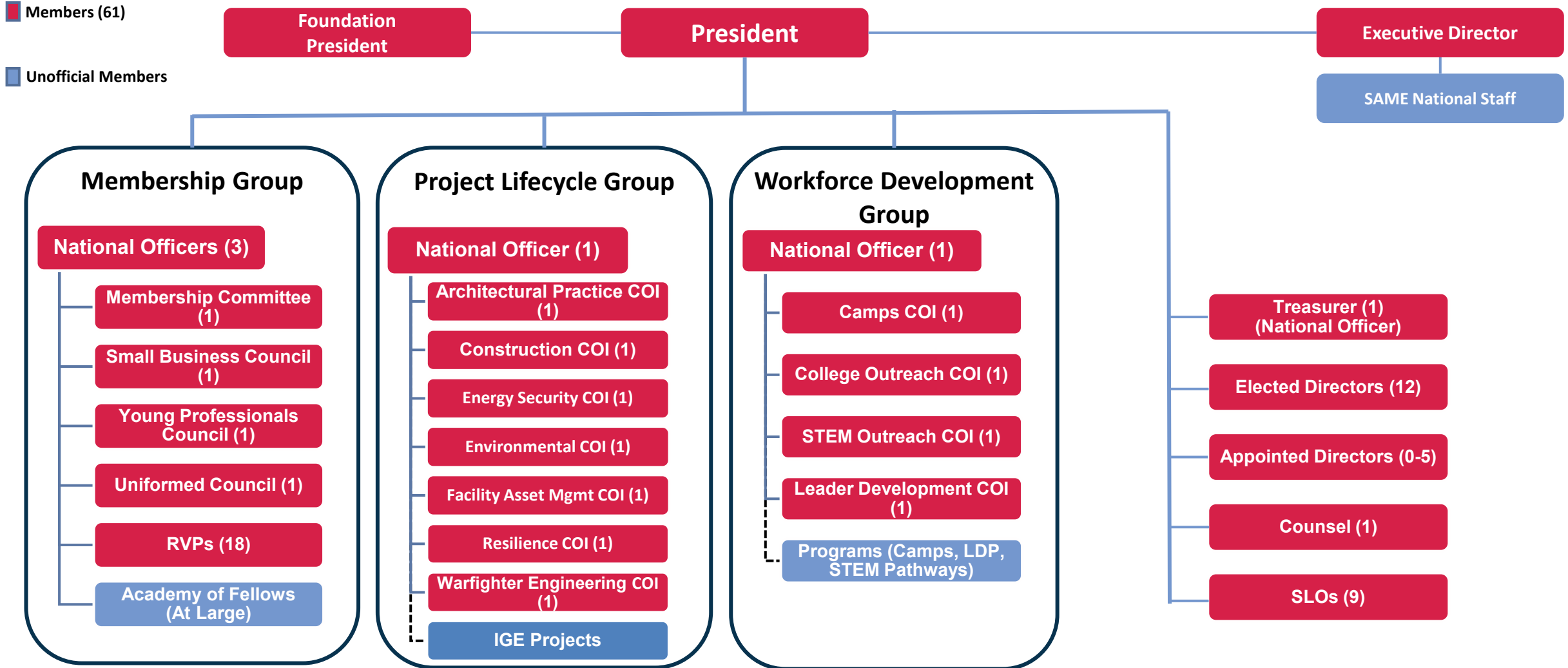


“C3s” - *Communities of Interest, Councils, and Committees*

- Architectural Practice COI
- Camps COI
- College Outreach COI
- Construction COI
- Energy Security COI
- Environmental Security COI
- Facility Asset Management COI
- Leader Development COI
- STEM Outreach COI
- Warfighter Engineering COI
- Small Business Council
- Uniformed Council
- Young Professionals Council
- Membership Committee



National Leadership Assembly



Industry Government Engagement

National IGE Projects

- Pre-Project Partnering
- Collaborative Delivery
- Small Business Size Standards: Challenges Facing Transitioning Federal Small Businesses
- Avoiding PFAS Information Overload: Targeted Training for Operational Entities
- Climate Change: Sea Level Rise and its Effect on Military and Public Infrastructure
- Cybersecurity: Operational Technologies Threats and Policies
- Warfighting - the Future Challenge and Installations' Requirements
- Addressing the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Challenge (EVIC)
- Artificial Intelligence





Events & Programs

- Industry Government Engagement (IGE)
- Continuing Education
- Young Professional events
- Leadership Development Program (National/Regional/Local)
- STEM Camps (High School)
- K-12 STEM Outreach
- Credentialing Assistance
- Joint Engineer Training
- Small Business education and opportunities
- Facility/Construction site tours
- Veteran Transition Assistance



Upcoming National Events

2026 Capital Week

March 24-26, Rockville, MD



2026 JETC

May 19-21, Portland, OR



