



**SAME OMAHA POST – BOARD MEETING
September 12, 2013**

ATTENDEES:	COL Cross Jodi Vaccaro	Kim Collins Anne Peterson Morgan Sykes	Dan Owens Paula Wells Natasha Hartley	Kandi Srb Curtis Miller	Chris Langan Bob Rounph	Mary Erwin Jim Wathen	Gail Frame Roger Wozny
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting was called to order at 10:35 a.m. Next meeting will be held October 10 Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m. 					
	COL Joel Cross President	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes from July meeting are approved. 					
	Paula Wells Treasurer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Treasurers Report is approved. Paula will bring last year's report to compare "total assets". 					
	Bob Rounph/Mary Erwin Nominations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 					
	Dave Henney Fellows Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Three members submitted packages for "Fellow" nominations: Dave Packard, John Remus, Mary Erwin. 					
	Jim Wathen 1 st Vice President	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 					
	Brian Wight/Ryan Buckley Readiness & Homeland Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 					
	Christie Murray/Cybil Boss Programs/Industry Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 					
	Ed Bishop/Dan Owens Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tim Gouger, Omaha District USACE will speak at the October meeting on Corps' Role in Disaster Response. Robert Michaels USACE will speak in Nov regarding construction in Afghanistan. Committee to meet next month to schedule some programs next spring. 					



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<p>Anne Peterson/Gail Frame Student Mentoring Program (SMP)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We held meetings to fine-tune our scoring protocols and lay some groundwork for the 20th Anniversary celebration at the Awards Ceremony. We also met with the Boys Scouts and 100 Black Men to dialog about how to incorporate STEM opportunities into their programs. • Because of the changes to scoring we are asking all our judges to commit to attending one of two Judge Orientation sessions. • We would like to have an opportunity to present a 20th Anniversary program at an SAME luncheon to recognize all those who have made the program an on-going success. Also in conjunction with the 20th Anniversary, we had hoped to purchase a full-page ad in the Omaha World Herald but a ¼ page ad runs almost \$3900. We are seeking other media options. • We have 32 teams signed up for the 2013-2014 program year – 12 middle schools and 20 high schools. That's the same number we had last year at this time but of those, only 27 went on to compete. • We still need mentors at the following schools: Benson High; King Science Center Team; Marrs Magnet Center; Omaha North High School; Papillion LaVista Junior High Schools; Papillion-LaVista South High; Roncalli Catholic High School; St. Pius X & St. Leo School; Thomas Jefferson High.
<p>Chris Langan Membership</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National's website updated member numbers. Our post is down approx 39 members (13 public sector). • Discussion on how to increase membership. Chris will have membership registration packets to set on the registration table at the membership meeting. • Kandi will change the "Membership #" field to "are you a member yes or no" • Board decided to do the membership pins at the December awards ceremony.
<p>John Popelka Sustaining Member Spotlights</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
<p>Bob Roumph Education/Professional Development</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
<p>Bill Glismann E-Week</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have set up a kick-off meeting for the committee. • Have reserved the SAC museum, same week/day, etc.
<p>Cybil Boss Young Members & College Outreach</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Chapter The officers are getting organized for this year. Cybil is working with them for content for a webpage, and also assisting with finding speakers for their desired topics. SAME HQ is hosting a Student Chapter Workshop (for faculty advisors and student chapter mentors – see attached email, only for your reference); however the dates do not work for our faculty advisor and we are not planning to apply at this time. Annual student chapter reports will be due in October, and we will keep our eyes open for an upcoming Student Leaders Workshop. • Young Members The trap & clay shoot was a success and a lot of fun (even with the soaring temperatures). We are getting organized for the upcoming year and plan to host 2-3 meetings. Will continue to work with the Fellows to ensure our Sustaining Member firms, now with 2 YM slots on their membership, fill these roles with able and willing Young Members.



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Kandi Srb Director for Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fall newsletter is due.• Need President's Letter by 1 Oct.• Member spotlight ideas – maybe young member or new member.• Can companies submit articles?? Yes but not sell in the article.• Student chapter page ready or website and will have a student chapter spotlight in newsletter.• Focus on membership and lay ground work for 20th year SMP.
Gina Raven Newsletter	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•
Justin Schillerberg Website	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•
Dave Packard Awards and Recognition	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•
Curtis Miller/Jodi Vaccaro Distinguished Post	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Have read thru the streamer requirements to confirm we know the requirements and no changes.• Usually struggle with post members having “published” articles.• Curtis/Jodi to get list to COL Cross where the holes are. COL Cross will have Omaha District Chief of Public Affairs help capture the Corps published articles and we can check to see their membership status.
Natasha Hartley Scholarships	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adam Plack will take over the scholarships committee next year. Adam is one of USACE-Omaha's young members.
Bryan Vulcan Director for Black Hills Chapter	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•