



**SAME OMAHA POST – BOARD MEETING  
October 10, 2013**

<b>ATTENDEES:</b>	COL Cross Dave Henney  Chris Langan	Kim Collins Mary Erwin Natasha Hartley	Ted Streckfuss Jodi Vaccaro Bill Glissman	Christie Murray Jim Wathen Ed Bishop	Roger Wozny Morgan Sykes Dan Owens	Paula Wells Jeanne LeBron Cybil Boss	John Remus Kandi Srb Gail Frame
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting was called to order at 10:35 a.m.</li> <li>Next meeting will be held November</li> <li>Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.</li> </ul>						
<b>COL Joel Cross</b> President	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minutes from Sep meeting were approved.</li> </ul>						
<b>Paula Wells</b> Treasurer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Treasurer's Report was approved.</li> <li>Our post is getting wealthier and our total assets are getting close to 1/2M. Wants to discuss if we should be giving more, etc. Several ideas were thrown out. Dave Henney will meet with the Fellows to get their guidance and ideas and meet with COL Cross. We will discuss at the next board meeting.</li> </ul>						
<b>Bob Roumph/Mary Erwin</b> Nominations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>						
<b>Dave Henney</b> Fellows Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dave will set up a meeting with the Fellows to discuss the financial status of the Post.</li> <li>Three packages were submitted for Fellows this year.</li> <li>Dave contacted Gary Krupa regarding submitting his package next year. He is also going to contact Jeff Williamson.</li> <li>Larry Meyers of the Kansas City District is the Missouri River Regional Fellows Coordinator.</li> </ul>						
<b>Jim Wathen</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>						
<b>Brian Wight/Ryan Buckley</b> Readiness & Homeland Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>						
<b>Christie Murray/Cybil Boss</b> Programs/Industry Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>						
<b>Ed Bishop/Dan Owens</b> Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wolpert will present in November.</li> <li>Programs committee will be meeting after the luncheon today to fill the rest of 2014.</li> <li>The January Meeting will be at the Scott Conference Center and the Students will run the meeting. Will be encouraging students to attend the meeting in January.</li> </ul>						



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<p><b>Anne Peterson/Gail Frame</b> Student Mentoring Program (SMP)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In mid-September we launched the program year at our Teacher/Mentor Orientation. Over 30 attended. The increase in scholarship dollars and covering teachers' lunches at the competition was very well received.</li> <li>• The Workshop coming up on Saturday, October 19 at PKI from 8:00am to 1:00pm. We are needing an instructor for Technical Writing and someone to assist in Codes &amp; Estimating.</li> <li>• There are currently 35 teams registered – 19 high school and 16 middle school. Mentors are still needed at             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· King Science Center</li> <li>· La Vista Jr. High School (3 teams)</li> <li>· Marrs Magnet Center</li> <li>· Nathan Hale Middle School</li> <li>· Omaha North High School</li> <li>· Papillion-La Vista South High</li> <li>· Roncalli Catholic High School</li> <li>· St. Pius X &amp; St. Leo School</li> <li>· Thomas Jefferson High</li> </ul> </li> <li>• We met with reps from OPPD to discuss how SMP could feed into a program they would like to launch in partnership with PKI. Their plan is to hold a competition in July similar to SMP but with a particular focus on sustainability. They would like to offer the opportunity for students/teams to continue their SMP experience on into the summer program. We hope to pull OPPD staff into SMP as mentors or SMEs.</li> <li>• Omaha Central is seeking a SME with an electronics engineering background or familiarity with piezoelectric devices.</li> <li>• After attending the DiDi luncheon, it became clear that a number of their representatives would appreciate the opportunity to have tables at the project display period of the Award Ceremony to meet with interested students and parents about their opportunities (MCC, manufacturing employers). PKI is not typically present during this time.</li> <li>• SMP has been asked to present at the Nebraska Association of the Gifted conference and at King Science Center's SET for Life conference.</li> <li>• Kirk Ahrends, Dean of Applied Technology at Metropolitan Community College is seeking help to evaluate returning servicemen's military experience for classroom equivalency.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Chris Langan</b> Membership</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Checked the membership totals, the Post is down 7 public and 41 total members.</li> <li>• Has been contacting Sustaining Member POCs and placed an article in the Newsletter to make members aware of the membership changes.</li> <li>• Discussed some ways to try to increase membership – this is going down nationwide. A few discussed were:</li> <li>• Promote the dual-membership/can be a member of 2 posts.</li> <li>• Hold a membership promotion and maybe use SAME funds to sponsor an event...need ideas.</li> </ul>
<p><b>John Popelka</b> Sustaining Member Spotlights</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
<p><b>Bob Roumph</b> Education/Professional Development</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
<p><b>Bill Glismann</b> E-Week</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Committee had a kick-off meeting and is using the same plan as last year.</li> <li>• Inviting a speaker from NASA and working on having a back-up.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Cybil Boss</b> Young Members &amp; College Outreach</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• YM – sending a survey to see what works best for times, programs, etc.</li> <li>• Need a project development topic for workshop and is taking ideas.</li> <li>• Students are off to a good start. There is an ASCE event in Las Vegas and students discussing doing a trip. Encouraging them to work through the Student Advisory Board. Looking at next semester – March 2014 timeline. Cybil will have the students prepare a decision brief (detailed agenda, cost, etc.) to the Board to request funds.</li> </ul>



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<b>Kandi Srb</b> Director for Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Newsletter went out and the next one will go out the first of January.</li><li>• The Fellows list is not updated on the website. Chris will get a list to Kandi.</li></ul>
<b>Gina Raven</b> Newsletter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•</li></ul>
<b>Justin Schillerberg</b> Website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•</li></ul>
<b>Dave Packard</b> Awards and Recognition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•</li></ul>
<b>Curtis Miller/Jodi Vaccaro</b> Distinguished Post	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discussed streamer requirements. Talked about the requirement to conduct at least 1 community service project. Discussed a few ideas. Mary Erwin will look at where the needs are and present some ideas to the board next month.</li><li>• The board agreed to pay the postage for the holiday packages USACE sends to deployed employees.</li></ul>
<b>Natasha Hartley</b> Scholarships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•</li></ul>
<b>Jeanne LeBron</b> Small Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Requested the program committee look at having one presentation dedicated to a small business.</li></ul>
<b>Bryan Vulcan</b> Director for Black Hills Chapter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•</li></ul>