



**SAME OMAHA POST – BOARD MEETING**  
**January 8, 2015**

<b>ATTENDEES</b> <b>Board Members</b> (12 total, 7 needed for quorum, 8 present)	<i><b>Jim Wathen</b></i>  <i><b>Natasha Hartley</b></i>  <i><b>Mary McKernan</b></i>  <i><b>COL Cross</b></i>	<i><b>Dave Packard</b></i>  <i><b>Christie Murray</b></i>  <i><b>Morgan Sykes</b></i>  <i><b>Cybil Boss</b></i>	<i><b>Chris Langan</b></i>  <i><b>Kandi Srb</b></i>  <i><b>Jodi Vaccaro</b></i>  <i><b>Bryan Vulcan</b></i>	Roger Wozny  Mary Erwin  Joe Shields  Bill Glissman	Brec Wilshusen  Jeanne LeBron
<b>General</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting was called to order at 10:42 am by Dave Packard</li> <li>• Chris made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 2014 board meeting, Christie seconded, and the motion was approved.</li> <li>• Next meeting will be held on March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at the Field Club, no board meeting in February due to E-Week</li> <li>• Meeting adjourned at 11:41 am.</li> </ul>				
<b>Treasurer</b> Mary McKernan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Some of the items shown on Treasure's report were paid in Dec but did not clear in checking account in 2014. All expenses for 2014 are in balance. Morgan made a motion to accept the Treasure's report, Kandi seconded and the motion passed.</li> <li>• <b>Action Item from 7/10/14: Report on reconciliation of previous years.</b> Update from 9/11/14: Some deposit entries made twice resulted in the discrepancy, Mary will go back one more year until 2011 and reconcile. Update from 12/01/14: Mary still working on this.</li> <li>• <b>Action Item from 9/11/14: Bill Glissman will check with Anne to see if SMP credit card is still needed, if we decide to continue with it, Mary will put together document of agreement for card holder to sign, Mary currently has card in her possession.</b> Update from 10/09/14: This card is still needed, Mary is putting together the document of agreement for the card use. Once Mary has that complete, she will have Anne sign and provide the card to Anne. Update from 1/8/15: Anne has signed the document and has the card.</li> </ul>				
<b>Post President</b> Jim Wathen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Post Leaders Workshop in Phoenix, Arizona February 19-21, 2015.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ SAME HQ will fund up to TWO attendees from each Post per calendar year. The Two SAME HQ funded attendees must be one Board member and one Young Member or NCO. Additional attendees must be funded by the post. Priority should be given to the current incoming President or other Post Officer that will continue in a Post Leadership position for at least a year following the Post Leaders Workshop. Having a Post Board Member attend a Post Leaders Workshop is a Required Element in the 2015 Leadership and Mentoring Streamer.</li> <li>▪ Jessica Branagin attending as young member, Tim Chavez attend from the student post, looking for a board member to attend possibly Mary McKernan or Jodi Vaccaro. <b>Action Item: Need to decide who from board is attending; workshop is before next board meeting.</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>• Intends to be at E-Week banquet, evening of February 19<sup>th</sup>, Natasha will send out registration email soon and follow up email two weeks or so before, board is encouraged to participate</li> </ul>				
<b>Communications</b> Kandi Srb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Action Item from 7/10/14 (Srb): Will gather costs of maintaining web site and present to the board including online registration to be paid via credit card.</b> Status: I have a proposal in hand from FireSpring and will bring a summary to the meeting. I am waiting for a call back from one other potential firm, but the info I have from FireSpring will give us a good sense of cost and options. Kandi presented estimate from FireSpring, she will ask additional questions regarding registration and get an estimate from one more vendor. Industry Day should still proceed with RegOnline and their planning while this is being developed. Going forward we should see if we can include SMP website info (search SAME SMP in Google and SMP web site will find the site) as well includes some archived info and interaction with teams. New SMP Google site needs to be linked to SAME Post web page.</li> <li>• Quote from Firespring can process all credit card info 2.5% and .30 per processing fee, check within 48 hours, still working with quote with other vendor, could give access to multiple folks to update portions of the site</li> <li>• Cleaned out web page, link to new SMP site, SMP Facebook page hasn't been updated since last April</li> <li>• Fall/Winter newsletter – ready needs president's message before sending out. <b>Action Item: Jim Wathen needs to prepare president's message to include call for Young Member applicants for JETC in May.</b></li> </ul>				



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<p><b>Leadership and Mentoring</b> Morgan Sykes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SMP           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Action Item from 7/10/14: SMP Steering Committee shall make a report to the board by the 1st of February, 2015 on their future plans for SMP</b> Status: Would like an extension until March 2015 board meeting due to having a hard time getting a meeting with PKI, meeting currently planned with PKI on Monday, March 26<sup>th</sup> competition date</li> <li>○ Workshops planned for January and February</li> <li>○ Pay for drink for mentors and teachers at social, 40-50 people, 22<sup>nd</sup> of January, Granite City, motion made by Packard, Murray seconded, motion passed</li> <li>○ Kay Norman maintaining SMP web site, previously UNO student, would like to give her some reimbursement or membership, \$50 gift card plus membership agreed on</li> <li>○ Omaha Chamber YP – approved, have an exhibit table at YP summit focused on STEM this year, 600 professionals attend, nine teams to come for a period of time, show what they've done, need banner, first week of March, have SMP brochures on hand, Cybil will give Morgan SAME pens to hand out, this might possibly count for something on streamers, publicity?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>Nominations</b> Mary Erwin</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Action Item from 8/14/14 (Wathen): Develop Veteran Outreach job description.</b> Update: Wathen still working on with HQ. Jeanne will try to see if we can get something from another post</li> <li>• Coordinating volunteering for the Open Door Mission, The 'Santa' day is Saturday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, or another volunteer opportunity? We will bring this up again in January and decide what would work best for the post for next year. <b>Action Item from 12/4/14: Need to decide on community service project for 2015. Nominations will look to see if someone might want to be chair of volunteering and take care of this for the post.</b></li> <li>• Has board discussed 2016 regional? Jeanne submitted a request for Omaha to do it last year, if we do a regional we don't do Industry Day, Michelle French will send back proposal, no hold has been put on venue, will bring this up next meeting, would need to keep it separate from Kansas City events, Michelle will ask how attendance has been at regional meetings this last year at her board meeting on Monday, any major changes from change in SAME leadership? New director feels that SAME should be more Post and less National focused, no 2015 regional. <b>Action Item from 12/4/14: Need to discuss 2016 Regional.</b> Update: Still waiting on info from Michelle French. Bring up with Fellows and then discuss from there. New director wants regionals again. We submitted August 23-25<sup>th</sup>, 2016 for the regional, if we are going to do this we need to have venue booked and chairs identified by the end of next month, Mary and Jeanne Lebron will look for chairs.</li> <li>• <b>Action Item from 12/4/14:</b> Back up registration folks needed</li> <li>• Fellow meeting after lunch today to discuss nominations for next year</li> </ul>
<p><b>Education and Training</b> Christie Murray</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Action Item from 7/10/14: Need to identify someone to lead the Veteran Outreach sub-committee.</b> Update: Needs job description from Wathen first.</li> <li>• Industry Day May 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, Double Tree Downtown, a little more work on the logistics side with new venue, should boost Corps attendance because it is so close, newly renovated, details on parking will be included</li> </ul>
<p><b>Relationships and Recognition</b> Chris Langan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Won membership streamer for 2014.</li> <li>• KC Post offered their members a name tag, doesn't look like we will take this on as a post</li> <li>• Will look into recent new members, membership chair might start sending out welcome letters</li> </ul>
<p><b>Young Members and College Outreach</b> Cybil Boss</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• March will the Young Member meeting, young members will do registration split kitty, and MC</li> <li>• Do we want to sponsor a YM to go to JETC?, yes, sponsor up to 2, end of May in Houston, mention in Jim's president's letter, have those that went last year sit on evaluation committee</li> </ul>
<p><b>Infrastructure Resilience and Preparedness</b> Dave Packard</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jodi will be sending out nomination email that she would appreciate our quick response</li> <li>• Brec attending TISP meeting, streamer requirement</li> <li>• Roger Wozny on committee to establish National SAME endowment that will allocate donated funds to various organizations</li> </ul>