



**SAME OMAHA POST – BOARD MEETING
April 9, 2015**

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<p>General</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting was called to order at 10:33 am by Jim Wathen. • Langan made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 2015 board meeting, Sykes seconded, and the motion was approved. • Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 9th, 2015 at the Field Club, please note day and date change • Meeting adjourned at 11:33 am. 																				
<p>Treasurer Mary McKernan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large 40K check for Industry Day • Taxes are complete, just need to fix some stock information in Quickbooks • Need to be tracking volunteer hours from board and committee members to include in annual report to HQ. Action Item: Natasha will put together template tracking sheet and send out to board and committee members to collect volunteer hours quarterly. • Student Chapter got donations of \$50 for Wounded Warriors, Natasha made a motion for Post to match this donation, Kandi seconded, motion passed, send check to Natasha, Natasha will provide to Wounded Warriors. • Action Item: Bill will send list of SMP schools to Mary • Made a motion to accept treasures report, seconded, motion passed • Christie will provide Regonline details to Mary so she can accurately track Industry Day expenses/deposits 																				



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<p>Post President Jim Wathen</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voted to cover reasonable travel expenses for Davis Packard to attend JETC, right before Memorial Day. Natasha made a motion to cover expenses, Kandi seconded, motion passed. Jay Kline also attending as one of the two Omaha Post sponsored YMs. • Will be requesting copies of the USA Today Annual Corps of Engineers Special Edition to distribute at Industry day, how many, 80 page publication? 200 to have at SAME booth at Industry Day, Jim will also ask for a link to be posted on web page • Action Item: Identify candidates for the Golden Eagle Award to be awarded at Industry Day by Bill Stutz, Bill is looking for someone who exhibits the following traits and characteristics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Dedication to God and country ○ Dedication to the engineering profession (not necessarily required to be an engineer) ○ Dedication to and love of family ○ Strong support of community programs (church, civic functions, neighborhood activities, etc.) ○ Support of youth programs (coaching Little League, etc.) ○ Willingness to respond to those in need (hurricane recovery, food bank, etc.) ○ Well-known in the engineering community either locally or nationally ○ Since this is not an official SAME award, the person chosen does not necessarily need to be a SAME member but support of SAME is obviously a big plus in the support of the engineering profession category. Bill does not require large nomination packages. A 1-2 page narrative at the most. ○ Following are past Golden Eagle Award recipients: <table style="margin-left: 40px; border: none;"> <tr><td>2007</td><td>Roy A. Singleton</td></tr> <tr><td>2008</td><td>Jim and Paula Wells</td></tr> <tr><td>2009</td><td>Daniel B. Owens</td></tr> <tr><td>2010</td><td>Robert J. Michaels</td></tr> <tr><td>2011</td><td>Jimmy Brasch</td></tr> <tr><td>2012</td><td>Jeanne LeBron</td></tr> <tr><td>2013</td><td>James H. Wathen</td></tr> <tr><td>2014</td><td>David A. Packard</td></tr> </table> • JETS discussion lead by Roger, see 2006.JETS.doc <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ HQ not exactly supporting regionals anymore, however, they do feel that if anyone can do it Omaha can, but we could, but would need to put together a business plan for doing it ○ By next meeting board needs to answer a couple of questions 1) Why do we want to hold a regional? 2) What value does it bring? ○ Cybil is willing to lead the effort, she just wants to make sure that Post and sustaining members are going to support the regional ○ Larger posts have been reluctant recently to provide funds for sponsorships, one firm dropped one of the \$500 sponsorships for SMP Awards this year ○ Might put us in a situation where sustaining members are being asked to support two meetings within one FY since this meeting is a different time that our normal meeting ○ TISP conference might be brought to Omaha in 2016 and could be combined with our normal Industry Day ○ Roger will send to Fellows and Board members to get their opinion ○ Action Item: Decide whether or not we will be moving forward with a 2016 regional meeting instead of the normal Industry Day 	2007	Roy A. Singleton	2008	Jim and Paula Wells	2009	Daniel B. Owens	2010	Robert J. Michaels	2011	Jimmy Brasch	2012	Jeanne LeBron	2013	James H. Wathen	2014	David A. Packard
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<p>Communications Kandi Srb</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any changes to web page on hold until we get through Industry Day • Jeni Merryweather, Mary McKernan, Natasha Hartley, and Jim Wathen, and Brec Wilshusen volunteered to assist Kandi with recommending a company to take over our web page, anyone else let Kandi know if they want to be involved, Kandi will send out information and then this group will get together to evaluate proposals and bring that info back to the board • Registered name for next 2 years 																



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<p>Programs Ed Bishop and Joe Shields</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action Item: DBIA local chapter has a meeting once a month, would like to do joint meeting possibly in June/July, we would host, do not want to do at the installation of officers meeting (work with Jim Wathen to coordinate) • Distributed tentative schedule for programs for next year or so, will look into add column to schedule to list which streamer requirement it made • Suggestion to add emergency preparedness topic to schedule • Action Item: Programs IMMEDIATELY needs to make sure we have a contract with the field club for the 2015/2016 meetings (DONE) and get with ASPCE (DONE) and DBIA (outstanding) to coordinate joint meetings. Installation of officers needs to be scheduled for June or July, need to check with outgoing board, incoming board and Michelle French to coordinate schedules (scheduled for June, Michelle French confirmed). One meeting needs to be identified and hosted by Young Members, coordinate with Cybil (DONE, June meeting). • June meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 9th, 2015 instead of Thursday due to a conflict at the Field Club.
<p>Awards and Recognition Jodi Vaccaro</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action Item: The Student Chapter Streamer submission form is due April 15th. (Cybil and Jessica have completed) • Attending the SMPS Midwest Valley Regional Conference today, which is being held here in Omaha
<p>Infrastructure Resilience and Preparedness Brec Wilshusen</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2015 Streamers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ (Required) Sponsor an educational session to share information on technology and tools related to emergency preparedness, response, recovery, and infrastructure resilience with public and private sector organizations. ○ (Required) A minimum of two Post members complete a minimum of four hours (equivalent of 0.4 CEUs or 4 PDHs) each of EP&IR training in the calendar year from TISP recommended online courses or locally sponsored events. [Indicate name of Post members, name of course and number of hours for each]. ○ (Desired) Conduct or participate in an Emergency Preparedness or Infrastructure Resilience exercise with regional, state or local organizations. ○ (Desired) Post member makes a presentation on Emergency Preparedness or Infrastructure Resilience at an SAME or TISP event, or other organization's meeting, workshop or conference. ○ (Desired) Send a Post member responsible for Emergency Preparedness and Infrastructure Resilience to a TISP-sponsored national or regional event or attend a TISP sponsored webinar. ○ (Desired) At least one Post Member participates in one or more TISP committee teleconferences and provides knowledge gained to other Post members [Indicate names of Post members who participated, dates of participation and how information was shared].



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<p>Leadership and Mentoring Morgan Sykes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SMP<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Really good turn out○ Start strategic process for next year within the next couple of weeks○ Will be exhibiting at Project Lead the Way conference in the next couple of weeks○ Kate helped out with the SMP web site, would like to bump that up gift certificate for her to \$200, Morgan made motion to increase to \$200, Mary seconded, motion passed• Omaha COE LDP program was postponed a month• 2015 Streamers<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ (Required) Send a Post Board member to a Post Leaders Workshop held in the Calendar Year.○ (Required) Conduct K-12 Outreach to promote careers in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM).○ (Required) Provide leadership opportunities for Young Members in Post programs.○ (Desired) Post provides funding for one or more NCOs or Young Members to attend the annual JETC in May or other education or training event hosted by a Post or other professional association.○ (Desired) Conduct one or more mentoring sessions or activities for Young Members and NCOs, utilizing SAME Fellows and other experienced professionals.○ (Desired) Implement a Post Program to welcome and mentor new members.○ (Desired) Nominate a high school student or Mentor to a SAME Engineering and Construction Camp.○ (Desired) Utilize Post Education and Mentoring or Operating Funds to support the education and professional development of one or more of the following groups in STEM Careers: K-12 Teachers and Students, College Students, Young Members or NCOs.○ (Desired-Medium & Large Posts) Send a Young Member or NCO to a Post Leaders Workshop held in the Calendar Year.
<p>Education and Training Christie Murray</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Industry Day<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ 200 conference attendees, exhibits sold out, only 60 golfers, usually sell out at 144 golfers, please register if you haven't registered yet• 2015 Streamers<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ (Required) Provide education forums that award a minimum of eight (8) Professional Development Hours (PDHs) for Large and Medium Posts and four (4) hours for Small Posts in support of members who require continuing education credits for their professional registrations or certifications, consistent with SAME Guide to Continuing Professional Competency.○ (Required) Assist Members in obtaining [and maintaining] professional licensure and certifications.○ (Desired) Plan and execute a Small Business workshop or training session geared towards helping small businesses successfully participate in DOD programs (can co-host with another Post).○ (Desired) One or more Post members submit an article for publication in TME or other professional magazine or journal.○ (Desired) Conduct at least one community service project.○ (Desired) Assist veterans and wounded warriors with transition assistance through mentoring, credentialing and job fairs.○ (Desired – Large and Medium Posts). Conduct a Continuing Education course, seminar or Webinar or co-sponsor a course or webinar with SAME HQ.



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<p>Relationships and Recognition Chris Langan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2015 Streamers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ (Required) Conduct one or more meetings that provide information on future programs, projects, and contract opportunities for Department of Defense and other Federal, State or local programs relevant to the Post membership. ○ (Required) Promote diversity on Post Board of Directors by having Small Business, Young Members, and public and private sector representatives, and when feasible, a Noncommissioned Officer. ○ (Required) Maintain communications with Post members by having an updated Post website (information on Post leadership and events current as of January 1, 2014) and through either periodic emails or newsletters. ○ (Required) Establish and implement an annual Post Awards Program to recognize Post members. ○ (Desired) Conduct a joint meeting with another professional society that fosters the goals of SAME. ○ (Desired) Conduct outreach to support wounded warriors and their families, families of deployed engineers, or families of fallen warriors. ○ (Desired) Nominate a Post member for a RVP Medal, National Award, National Board of Direction. (Note: To receive credit, the Post must nominate the individual or company for the award; self-nominations, endorsements for nominations from other Posts and selections made by SAME HQ without nomination will not receive credit. ○ (Desired) Promote Post and member accomplishments by submitting information to SAME HQ or other news media
<p>Membership Jeff Sorenson</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2015 Membership Streamer will be awarded to Posts that have No Loss in Public Sector Membership and no Loss in Total Membership. “Public Sector” refers to any individual employed by a Federal, State or Local Government Agency. We will not measure the number of companies since our new structure will allow companies to have more than 5 representatives at each Post. • Memberships up 30 members, looking to lose 24 members in April when memberships expire, 10th largest post in the society currently
<p>Young Members and College Outreach Cybil Boss</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2015 Streamers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ (Required). Submit the names of the key Student Chapter Leaders who contributed to the success of the Student Chapter program during the period covered by the Streamer, including leadership positions held. ○ (Required). The Post and Student Chapter held an event that promotes mentoring of students on engineering and related career options, including industry, federal civil service and military service. Include dates, names of mentors and number of students participating in program, and topics presented. [Note: For Service Academies, requirement is for discussion of engineer assignments in a military career]. ○ (Desired). Student Chapter hosted or participated in a K-12 outreach activity that promotes careers in engineering. Include dates, description of activity and number of Students participating. ○ (Desired). Student Chapter hosted or participated in a college level multi-disciplinary competition or event that includes multiple engineering disciplines or non-engineering disciplines involved in the engineering and construction enterprise. Include a description of competition or event and number of students participating. ○ (Desired). Student Chapters host or participate in a community service project that involves engineering and/or support to Wounded Warriors or Veterans.
<p>Scholarships & Camps Adam Plack</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SAME Engineering and Construction Camp Update: This year, the SAME Omaha Post has nominated two individuals to attend the U.S. Air Force Academy Camp in Colorado Springs, CO. The Black Hills Field Post’s nominee is Greg Cross, a freshman from Elkhorn South High School. The Omaha Post’s nominee is Joseph Coldiron, a sophomore from Mount Michael Benedictine High School. The final selection has not yet been made; Nationals expects to be able to announce final rosters towards the end of April. • SAME Omaha Post Scholarship Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The following renewal applicants met the scholarship requirements, so their scholarships have been renewed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The \$2,000 5th Year Scholarship was renewed by Adam Crnkovich, a senior at UNL studying Construction Management. 2. The \$2,000 Senior Scholarship was renewed by David Johansen, a junior at UNL studying Civil Engineering. 3. The \$1,000 Sophomore Scholarship was renewed by Grayson Harvey, a freshman at Iowa State studying Mechanical Engineering. ○ The SAME Omaha Post Junior Scholarship became available because a previously awarded scholar changed his degree. Therefore, a new selection was made to fill the scholarship vacancy. The new \$2,000 Junior Scholarship was awarded to Chris Gunderson, a sophomore at UNO studying Civil Engineering. ○ The \$1,000 Omaha Post Freshman Scholarship was awarded to Mark Wathen, a senior from Lincoln Pius High School who will be attending the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology in the fall to study Mechanical Engineering. ○ Many applications were received for both the SAME Omaha Post Junior Scholarship and the Omaha Post Freshman Scholarship. The applications were reviewed and ranked by a group of four volunteers from the SAME Omaha Post with no connections to the recipients. • Doug Plack Scholarship: Applications have been received for the Doug Plack scholarship. The applications will be reviewed by a group of volunteers composed of at least three SAME members with no connections to the recipients. The Scholarship will be awarded at the Omaha Post SAME Industry Day on May 4th.