



**SAME OMAHA POST – BOARD MEETING**  
**January 14, 2016**

<b>ATTENDEES</b> <b>Board Members</b> (13 total, 7 needed for quorum, 7 present)	<del>Jim Wathen</del>	<del>Chris Langan</del>	<del>Jodi Vaccaro</del>	Bill Glissman	Jeff Sorenson
	<del>Natasha Hartley</del>	<del>Brad Carne</del>	<del>COL Henderson</del>	Dan Taylor	Brec Wilshusen
	<del>Mary McKernan</del>	<del>Morgan Sykes</del>	<del>Bryan Vulcan</del>		Roger Wozny
	<del>Jeni Merryweather</del>	<del>Cybil Boss</del>			
	<del>Dave Packard</del>	<del>Kandi Srb</del>			

	<b>Meeting Minutes</b>	<b>2015 Streamers (completed, upcoming/important)</b>
<b>General</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting was called to order at 10:24 am by Dave Packard</li> <li>Jodi Vaccaro made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 2015 board meeting Mary McKernan seconded, and the motion was approved.</li> <li>No meeting next month, E-Week banquet Thursday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at Scott Conference center at 6 pm</li> <li>March 10<sup>th</sup> teleconference call on endowment fund to be rolled out in JETC in May</li> <li>Dan Taylor has reached out to small businesses to verify SB contact info, looking for other contact lists to identify more small businesses, Kandi and/or Justin could provide luncheon attendee list, trying to build more of a small business participation</li> <li>Meeting ended at 11:30 am</li> </ul>	
<b>President</b> Dave Packard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>UNO students will be here today, please reach out to them so they feel welcome</li> <li>Future UNO Student Chapter activities/Omaha Post engagement.</li> <li>STEM call with Scott Prosuch on Jan 12. Start talking about camps and Post candidates. New procedures require National SAME selection process. Post deadline for submittal is Apr 1. Roger Wozny is on National STEM committee, he is working to encourage participation from Boy and Girl Scouts.</li> <li>2016 Post Leaders Workshop is scheduled for Aug in St. Petersburg, Florida. Looking for 100% participation with 1-2 representatives from each Post. In the past there have been two post leaders workshops in the future, this year there is only one.</li> <li>Student Post member for the Student Leaders and Student Chapter Workshop is Ben Nixa...is he/she prepared?</li> <li>Jan 15 webinar at noon Central with Joe Schroedel to discuss the new Strategic Plan and Streamer Requirements on Friday, Jan 15. Interested Board members? <b>Natasha will send out invite to Board, invite is for the 15<sup>th</sup> even though the invite mentions the 11<sup>th</sup> in the text.</b></li> </ul>	



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<b>Treasurer</b> Mary McKernan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Will be sending out treasurers reports for December, not much activity</li> <li>• Will get with Matt Harvey to schedule a meeting with our investment advisor</li> <li>• We don't really have a budget for this year, will be putting a budget sheet together. <b>Dave Packard will be sending out the most recent Annual Plan for the Post that includes budgets.</b></li> <li>• <b>Dave will check with Tom O'Hara to see who we owe the check to cover postage for care packages over the holidays</b></li> </ul>	
<b>Director for Awards and Recognition</b> Jodi Vaccaro	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Streamers are due week from tomorrow, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016.</li> <li>• Jodi has sent out email to VPs, need response from Leadership and Mentoring and Education and Training, still need comments from Brec. <b>Need response from VPs and others to complete streamers.</b></li> <li>• Jodi is planning on attending the webinar tomorrow.</li> <li>• Working with Dave to organize awards for E-Week Banquet</li> </ul>	
<b>Communications</b> Jeni Merryweather	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Kandi will work with Natasha to share draft of website to the board</b></li> <li>• Industry Day website will continue to be hosted by HDR for this year</li> <li>• Jeni, Dave, and Katie Lyons met to discuss communications btw. Omaha Post and National Post, will be putting together survey on what members would like to see. <b>Dave will get Strategic Plan survey to Jeni.</b></li> </ul>	
<b>Fellows</b> Matt Harvey (Roger Wozny reported)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Met at HDR on Tuesday, very action oriented</li> <li>• Fellows are assigned to each committee to support</li> <li>• Natasha will send out minutes to Dave and COL Henderson</li> </ul>	
<b>Education and Training</b> Kandi Srb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (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.</li> <li>• (Required) Assist Members in obtaining professional licensure and certifications.</li> <li>• (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).</li> <li>• (Desired) One or more Post members submit an article for publication in TME or other professional magazine or journal.</li> <li>• (Desired) Conduct at least one community service project.</li> <li>• (Desired) Assist veterans and wounded warriors with transition <b>assistance through mentoring, credentialing and job fairs</b></li> <li>• (Desired – Large and Medium Posts). Conduct a Continuing Education course, seminar or <b>Webinar</b> or co-sponsor a course or webinar with SAME HQ.</li> </ul>



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<p><b>Young Members and College Outreach</b> Cybil Boss</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Student Chapter             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Want to get students more involved in SMP program</li> <li>○ Requests for members to attend the following Student Chapter events. Below is our tentative schedule. All meeting times will likely be around 5:30 PM since evenings work for the most students. <b>Natasha will send out to membership when dates are finalized, Jessica to send Natasha dates as they are finalized.</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. January 27-29: Welcome back social at Clancy's</li> <li>ii. February 11: AutoCAD preparation day (a short teaching session for the competition later in the month) Tom Glidewell did a seminar last year and I will be emailing him to see if he is available</li> <li>iii. End of February: AutoCAD competition during E-Week (we will need 3 judges for the event. The faculty advisor will be one of them if this doesn't conflict with his schedule)</li> <li>iv. End of March: Presentation with a Wounded Warriors collection (students would like a Post member to speak about SAME, networking and job opportunities for 10-15 minutes before the speaker. Dave Packard has shown interest in this last semester)</li> <li>v. April: Speaker or EOY social event, possible joint YM event if things work out</li> </ol> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• Industry Day             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Technical difficulties with first conference call yesterday</li> <li>○ Working to finalize theme, possibly focus on infrastructure safety/protection</li> <li>○ Venue at Double Tree again</li> <li>○ Teleconference every two weeks btw. now and the event</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (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.</li> <li>• (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].</li> <li>• (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.</li> <li>• (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.</li> <li>• (Desired). Student Chapters host or participate in a community service project that involves engineering and/or support to Wounded Warriors or Veterans.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Infrastructure Resilience and Preparedness</b> Chris Langan (Brec reporting)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working on getting Earl to come back in June to provide another presentation</li> <li>• Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> of February 2016 Brec is attending a conference in Grand Island to help state emergency organization</li> <li>• Will conduct safety exercise by conducting bridge flood drill</li> <li>• Brec attending TISP Symposium in April and will possibly present</li> <li>• Taking understanding terrorism course that might contribute to streamers</li> <li>• Veteran Business Forum, Wednesday the 10<sup>th</sup> at noon at Capital doing their meet and greet, would like to invite everyone to attend, <b>Bert Matya might want to attend as our Veteran Rep.</b></li> <li>• In the future, we might not be able to use USACE member training to satisfy streamer requirements</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (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.</li> <li>• (Required) A minimum of two Post members complete a minimum of four hours (equivalent of 0.4 CEUs or 4 PDHs) each of EP&amp;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].</li> <li>• (Desired) Conduct or participate in an Emergency Preparedness or Infrastructure Resilience exercise with regional, state or local organizations.</li> <li>• (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.</li> <li>• (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.</li> <li>• (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]. April 21, 2015</li> </ul>



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<p><b>Leadership and Mentoring</b> Morgan Sykes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SMP (Glissman reporting) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Just had workshop last weekend</li> <li>○ Now in planning mode for competition, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016, will be held at Scott Conference Center again</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Leadership training program with the COE (COL reporting) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ COL will give copy of application to Morgan due by mid-February, first formal meeting for LDP in March so private sector candidates need to be identified by then</li> <li>○ Candidates should contact Morgan if they are interested</li> <li>○ They are limited to 2 private sector candidates</li> <li>○ Tuition is approximately 7K paid directly to contractor who puts on the training</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (Required) Send a Post Board member to a Post Leaders Workshop held in the Calendar Year.</li> <li>• (Required) Conduct K-12 Outreach to promote careers in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM).</li> <li>• (Required) Provide leadership opportunities for Young Members in Post programs.</li> <li>• (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.</li> <li>• (Desired) Conduct one or more mentoring sessions or activities for Young Members and NCOs, utilizing SAME Fellows and other experienced professionals.</li> <li>• (Desired) Implement a Post Program to welcome and <b>mentor</b> new members.</li> <li>• (Desired) Nominate a high school student or Mentor to a SAME Engineering and Construction Camp.</li> <li>• (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.</li> <li>• (Desired-Medium &amp; Large Posts) Send a Young Member or NCO to a Post Leaders Workshop held in the Calendar Year.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Relationships and Recognition</b> Brad Carne</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nothing to report other than all streamers are taken care of</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (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.</li> <li>• (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.</li> <li>• (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.</li> <li>• (Required) Establish and implement an annual Post Awards Program to recognize Post members.</li> <li>• (Desired) Conduct a joint meeting with another professional society that fosters the goals of SAME.</li> <li>• (Desired) Conduct outreach to support wounded warriors and their families, families of deployed engineers, or families of fallen warriors.</li> <li>• (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.</li> <li>• (Desired) Promote Post and member accomplishments by submitting information to SAME HQ or other news media.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Membership</b> Jeff Sorenson</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ended the year well</li> <li>• Will be getting with Fellow for assistance in growing the number of public agencies that are members, Dave Henney is Fellow that is helping with this</li> <li>• Jeff will give his card to the COL to distribute at upcoming meetings with other public agencies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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.</li> </ul>