

Society of American Military Engineers (SAME)
To establish national Architectural Practice Committee

The Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) Executive Committee approved the establishment of the new Architectural Practice Committee, effective November 16, 2012. The SAME President appointed Mr. JJ Tang, AIA, LEED AP, HDR Inc. as its first chair, who will serve on the SAME national Board of Direction. The committee is an outgrowth of an architectural group which was formed last October with prior recipients of the SAME national Urbahn Medal which is awarded annually to one SAME architect for his or her eminent and notable contribution in the field of architecture. Now the Urbahn Medal group will be the advisory board for the national Architectural Practice Committee.

The mission of the Architectural Practice Committee is to promote architectural practice within SAME, broaden the organization's exposure in the architectural community, and recruit more architects, along with expanding networking and mentoring opportunities.

SAME national Architectural Committee leadership and four focus areas are:

- SAME National Architectural Committee Chair –
JJ Tang, AIA, LEED AP, HDR Inc., Chicago, IL.
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- Vice Chair for collaboration with AIA -
Paula Loomis, FAIA, LEED AP, USACE Headquarters, Washington DC.
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Goals: presence at AIA national convention, involving in AIA Federal Practice Committee

- Vice Chair for Professional Education Programs –
Rad Delaney, AIA, FSAME, Philadelphia, PA
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Goals: Establishing architectural sessions at the SAME national conference and at other major regional conferences, supporting SAME continued education programs.

- Vice Chair for Communications –
Kathleen Reid, AIA, NAVFAC Atlantic, Norfolk, VA
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Goals: developing an architectural committee web page on the SAME website, and by holding bi-monthly conference calls with guest speakers to reach out to SAME architects.

- Vice Chair for Coordination among SAME local posts –
Homer Guy, AIA FSAME, J.W. Waller Associates, San Antonio, TX
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Goals: establishing architectural points of contact at SAME regional and local levels and implementing SAME programs certified by AIA.

SAME Architecture Practice Committee leadership welcomes your inputs and participations. If you have suggestions, or would like to be included on committee event notices, please do not hesitate to contact any of the committee officers.