



SAME Seattle Post
Board Meeting - Meeting Minutes - Thursday August 1, 2024

Time: 8:00 am – 9:00 am

*** Voting Board member**

Name	Position	In Attendance
Scott Harm	Immediate Past Post President	x
Allen Wycoff*	Post Director	
Faith Powell*	Post President	x
Robert Schlesinger*	Post 1st VP*	x
William Shelton*	Young Professionals VP/ Post Director	
Scott Kinney*	Secretary	
Fred Barker*	Post 2nd VP	x
Justin Rodgers	Treasurer	
Manny Bautista*	Post Director (Fellows) (2024-2027)	x
Terry McCann	Engineering & Construction Camps POC	
Nancy Yee*	Post Director (2023-2026)	x
Ryan Peterson*	Post Director (2023-2026)	x
Andy Hough	Emergency Preparedness	
Kevin Stoll	Meet The Agencies Committee Chair	
Zachery Pesicka	Programs Chair/STEM/Student Chapter	x
Nick Vlahovich	Programs Asst. Chair	x
Caroline Roberts	Leadership Development/Regional VP	
Tim Pochop	Kitsap Chapter/STEM/Student Chapter	
Jonathan Owen	Membership POC	x
Wendy Oresik	Professional Development/Energy & Sustainability	x
Lydia Griffey*	Post Director - Strategy/Streamers/Awards POC	
Ginette Chin	Mentoring	
John Souza	Scholarships	
Jason Hu	Projects of Excellence	x
<u>OPEN POSITION</u>	<u>SBPLO (Small Business Post Liaison Officer)</u>	
Melissa Grasso	Communication/Post Web Master	
Jonathan Owen		
Michael Albone	Veterans Assistance	
Mark Ohlstrom		



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Welcome and Announcements

1. Roll call (*see page 1*).
2. Declare quorum.
3. Approval July 11, 2024; MINUTES. [SAME Seattle Post Board Meeting Minutes - 2024_07_11](#)
 - i. Motion to approve and seconded. Vote: Approved unanimously
4. Approval August 1; AGENDA.
 - i. Motion to approve and seconded. Vote: Approved unanimously
5. Announcements
 - i. New officers listed on website
 - ii. TME listed Seattle Post as one of 53 posts that received the streamer award with distinction
 - iii. SAME STEM Camps – Allen and David attended from the Seattle Post
6. New Business
 - i. New Membership Chair - Jonathan Owen with GeoEngineers
 - ii. Discussion on job postings –
 - i. Faith to setup committee meeting on how to proceed with handling job postings
 - iii. Additional revenue discussion (See treasurer report section)
 - iv. Volunteers who are interested in getting involved
 - i. Brian Huang ? looking to get involved – Bob rec'd assistant programs
 - ii. Marcus with EHSI
 - iii. Jessica with Blue Trident

Standing Reports

-Lead with Meet The Agencies [Nick Vlahovich]

1. TREASURER [Justin Rodgers] [Fred Barker as support]
 - a. 2024 Approved Budget -[2024 Budget 2.0 Seattle SAME Post Budget.pdf](#)
 - b. Significantly more revenue than last year. Look to focus on:
 - i. Dedicated Post drive for post files (like boardable or MS suite)
 - ii. Social Events
 - iii. Investment in Young Members
 - iv. Veteran transition workshops (Resume building, interview prep)
 - v. Scholarships
 - c. Financial Audit [Allen, Justin, Michael Albone, Ryan Peterson]
 - d. Need to swap payments with Mt Tacoma for joint events

[Treasurer Report June 2024.pdf](#)

2. MEMBERSHIP [Jonathan Owen]



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- a. Retention and New [Jonathan Owen]
 - i. Bob to help mentor Jonathan with membership role
 - b. Sustaining Firms [Zachary Pesicka]
 - i. This is for luncheon meetings for firms to present to the membership
 - c. Young Members [William Shelton]
3. PROGRAMS [Zach Pesicka]
- [SAME Seattle Post Event Calendar 2024.pdf](#)
- a. Debriefs
 - i. Summer Social – see annual event updates for debrief
 - ii. MTC 2024 Survey Results
 - a. Not a lot of participation
 - b. Survey results were overall positive
 - b. Golf Tournament with Mt Tacoma [POC: Scott H, Zach]
 - i. Set for August 8th
 - ii. Location Eagles Pride Golf Course
 - c. SAME Programs | Sip & Strategize [Faith, William, Zach]
 - i. WSP to host a YP event at their office - details See Young Member Programs
 - ii. Boots and Brews August 31 – details see Young Member Programs
 - d. Luncheons Programs [Zachary Pesicka]
 - i. September 27 2024 – Early contractor involvement
 - a. On Friday – speaker driven, NAVFAC participation driven
 - b. USCG to host at Seattle location – Troy facilitating that
 - ii. November xx 2024 – Emergency Preparedness
 - a. Looking for help on this program
 - b. Panel
 - c. Get FEMA participation
 - d. TBD on date
 - iii. February xx 2025
 - a. Looking for speaker
 - iv. March xx 2025
 - a. Looking for speaker
4. YOUNG MEMBER PROGRAMS [William Shelton]
- a. Debriefs
 - i. N/A
 - b. Q3 Event - Boots and Brews
 - i. August 31



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- ii. Eventbrite signup will be up by this weekend
- iii. Cost to SAME: \$500 for food and drink tab similar to last year.
- c. Q4 Event - Karaoke
 - i. November
 - ii. Rock Box at Pike/Pine
 - iii. Plan for two hours during "Happy hour"
 - iv. Cost to SAME: \$350 (Assume 13 attendees for two hours at \$5 per person per hour. Two drinks per person at \$7 per drink)
- d. WSP Open House for YP's
 - i. WSP to host in their Seattle office
 - ii. November – exact date TBD
 - iii. Splitting costs with WSP and Post
- e. Look ahead / Planning
 - i. Quarterly events

Approved budget: \$3,000 for 2024 YP activities.

Annual Event Updates

1. January 23, 2025 | **Meet The Agencies** | Kevin Stoll – Nick V
 - i. Debrief 2024
 - i. More Q/A time
 - ii. More detail on post programs
 - ii. Starting planning now
 - iii. Same/Similar program as previous years
 - iv. Location for 2025 determined?
 - i. Summit ballroom at Crown Plaza
 - v. Looking for Deputy MTA Chair – Last MTA Kevin/Nick will host
2. April 14-15, 2025 | **Small Business Symposium** | Kitsap Convention Center. *POC is Zach Pesicka.*
 - i. Dates TBD, likely April 14-15
3. June xx, 2025 | **Meet The Chiefs** | Lydia Griffey
 - i. 2024 Debrief - Lydia
 - ii. 2025
 - i. Mount Tacoma's turn to host MTC – Seattle will support.
 - ii. Lydia is Seattle Post's Liaison.
4. July 25th | **Summer Social** | Faith/Scott H.
 - i. Debrief:
 - i. Signage and location hiccups
 - ii. Heavy traffic to location – majority of people there by 4:45pm
 - iii. Food – Have Protein next time
 - iv. Overall, it went well – positive feedback

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- ii. 2025 - TBD
- 5. August 8, 2024 | **Steve Woolery Annual Golf Tournament** | Eagles Pride Golf Course | Exit 116 Interstate 5 | Adjacent to JBLM. Tacoma Post POC | Dave Newkirk
- 6. October 25, 2024 | **Projects of Excellence** | Jason Hu | Marriot SeaTac
 - i. Let Jason know if you want to be a part of planning committee
 - ii. Project submission period open now through August 30
 - iii. Eventbrite is open now
 - iv. 5 categories - Complexity | Innovation | Collaboration | Env. Stewardship | People's Choice
 - i. Scott Harm is developing judging criteria
 - v. Key note speaker
 - i. Bob leading that effort
 - vi. Looking to pull together judging panel – variety of from local / state /federal
 - i. Scott Harm Leading
 - ii. PSSEF interested in supporting judging panel
 - vii. Help with getting the word out. We want as many project submissions as possible!
- 7. December xx 2024 | **Holiday Social** | Zachary Pesicka
 - i. Venue feedback Elysian Fields or other venue
 - ii. Zach starting the planning now

Committee Updates

1. COMMUNICATIONS (Melissa Grasso)
 - Reminder to plan to allow for a couple of weeks to process communications requests.
 - Update website with new Board positions
2. COMMUNITY OUTREACH (TBD) – Will this committee continue operating? Some on Board recommended to delete since responsibilities overlap other committees.
 - i. We would need to partner with a sister org (i.e. ACEC/ASCE/ASME/IEEE, AGC, etc.)
 - ii. We would need someone passionate about this -> Put out the call to membership
3. EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (Andy Hough) –
4. ENERGY AND SUSTAINABILITY (Wendy Oresik) –
 - i. Would like input from Board / Members for energy and sustainability
 - ii. Put out a survey – Work with Melissa
5. ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CAMPS (Terry McCann) - Camps to be held June/July 2024. Have 3 campers.
 - i. *Supported Allen Wycoff and David Brewer for 2024's STEM Camps*



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6. KITSAP CHAPTER (Manny Bautista / Tim Pochop) – Set up quarterly lunch and learn sessions. Develop an annual schedule.
 - i. Navy looking for Brown Bags at Naval Base Kitsap – Bangor
 - Topics? Tim working on what their interests are – SAME to bring SME to present
 - ii. How else to engage NAVFAC
 - iii. NAVFAC NW Junior Officer Forum
 - iv. Manny to setup meeting with Post leadership and new Commanding Officer Preston Taylor
7. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT (Caroline Roberts) –
8. STEM/UW STUDENT CHAPTER (Zach Pesicka) – *Sam Lee*
 - i. *Zach has potential contact with a grad student to supplement that (Thank you Sam Lee!)*
 - ii. *Zach working on getting engagement from a junior professor*
9. NOMINATIONS (Vacant Position) –
10. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (Wendy Oresik) –
 - i. Navigating PDH's and CEU's when not attending in person – how to get certificates to folks – work with Faith and Zach on this front
11. SCHOLARSHIPS (John Souza) –
 - i. Firms can sponsor individual scholarships. See John's PowerPoint below. [PSESSF 2023_07Dec2023_Version 1.pptx](#)
 - ii. Board has approved \$20,000 budget for Scholarships.
 - iii. Annual briefings to membership at MTC
12. SMALL BUSINESS COMMITTEE (VACANT POSITION) -
13. STRATEGIC PLANNING AND STREAMER AWARDS (Lydia Griffey)
14. VETERANS ASSISTANCE (Michael Albone).