



SAME Seattle Post

Board Meeting - Meeting Minutes - Thursday September 6, 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	X
Faith Powell*	Post President	
Robert Schlesinger*	Post 1st VP*	
William Shelton*	Young Professionals VP/ Post Director	X
Scott Kinney*	Secretary	X
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	
Wendy Oresik	Professional Development/Energy & Sustainability	
Lydia Griffey*	Post Director - Strategy/Streamers/Awards POC	X
Ginette Chin	Mentoring	
John Souza	Scholarships	X
Jason Hu	Projects of Excellence	
<u>OPEN POSITION</u>	<u>SBPLO (Small Business Post Liaison Officer)</u>	
Melissa Grasso	Communication/Post Web Master	X
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 August 1, 2024 Minutes [SAME Seattle Post Board Meeting Minutes - 2024 08 01](#)
4. Approval September 5, 2024 Agenda
5. Announcements
6. New Business
 - i. New Membership Chair - Jonathan Owen with GeoEngineers
 - ii. Job Postings
 - iii. We need to get Justin Rodgers and probably myself administrator access to Eventbrite. We had previously been using Ryan's login as the primary Post login. He has since cancelled his account and some don't have access.
 - iv. Lydia/William would like to do a debrief of PLW next month. They need to get slides from SAME and work on notes together.

Standing Reports

-Lead with Meet The Agencies [Nick Vlahovich]

Utilize larger room next time. Other posts raised that JETC runs into MTC. Can we combine?

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
 - e. *Should be getting more money back from MTC venue -> we were significantly overcharged*

[Treasurer Report August 2024.pdf](#)

2. MEMBERSHIP [Jonathan Owen]
 - a. Retention and New [Jonathan Owen]
 - b. Sustaining Firms [Zachary Pesicka]
 - c. Young Members [William Shelton]



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- d. No update for this month
3. PROGRAMS [Zach Pesicka]
- [SAME Seattle Post Event Calendar 2024.pdf](#)
- a. Debriefs
 - i. Golf Tournament with Mt Tacoma
 - ii. Good turnout, organized by Dave Newkirk, Represented both Posts very well.
 - b. 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
 - c. 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. Boots and Brews
 - ii. Low attendance, but still found some potential new members
 - b. 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)
 - c. 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
 - d. Look ahead / Planning
 - i. Quarterly events



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

Annual Event Updates

1. January 23, 2025 | **Meet The Agencies** | Kevin Stoll – Nick V
 - i. Location for 2025 determined -> Summit ballroom at Crown Plaza
 - ii. 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
 - ii. [Zach looking for help coordinating](#)
3. June xx, 2025 | **Meet The Chiefs** | | Lydia Griffey
 - i. 2025 -> Mount Tacoma's turn to host MTC – Seattle will support. Lydia is Seattle Post's Liaison.
4. July 25th | **Summer Social** | Faith/Scott H.
 - i. 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. 5 categories - Complexity | Innovation | Collaboration | Env. Stewardship | People's Choice
 - i. Scott Harm is developing judging criteria
 - iv. Key note speaker
 - i. Bob leading that effort
 - v. [Looking to pull together judging panel – variety of from local / state /federal](#)
 - i. [Scott Harm Leading](#)
 - ii. [PSSEF interested in supporting judging panel](#)
7. December xx 2024 | **Holiday Social** | Zachary Pesicka
 - i. Venue feedback Elysian Fields or other venue
 - ii. [Zach starting the planning now -> similar to last year](#)

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



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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*
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
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. [PSESSE 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).



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