

SAME Omaha Post Monthly Meeting – October 2024

Date: 3 October 2024

Time: 12:00 PM Central Time (CT)

Future Post Meeting Dates

- Tuesday, October 8, 2024- Fire Safety Donna Kohlan
- Thursday, November 14, 2024 - May Tornado Response Topic, Public Sector Event
- Thursday, December 12, 2024 - USACE Omaha District Update, Sheila Newman
- January 2025 – Joint Meeting with NSPE

Call to Order- President: Stephanie Heibel called the meeting to order.

Roll Call and Determination of Quorum- Secretary: Chris Artz conducted the roll call and confirmed a quorum was present.

President: Stephanie Heibel

Secretary: Chris Artz

Treasurer: Brian Schuele

Vice President for Service Members and Veterans: Rob Hufford

Vice President for IGE: Bobbi Jo Lang

Vice President for Resilience: Don Fucik

Vice President for Professional Development and Personal Growth: Kandi Srb

Vice President for Leadership and Mentoring: Tom Svoboda

Director for Communications: Jill Zehr

Director for Awards and Recognition: Christina McManis

Director for Young Members and Student Outreach: Stephanie Ling

Director for Fellows: Natasha Gromak

Past President: Ryan Watzke

Members at Large in attendance:

Small Business Committee: Veronica Doga

Roger Wozny

Brec Wilshusen

Chris Langan

Guests:

Avenue Scholars – *Michael Johnson and Joey Felici: Avenue Scholars are a “leader in bridging the gap between education and business, guarantees careers for our youth of hope and need through supportive relationships, individualized coaching, education, and training.” Michael and Joey presented opportunities for the Omaha Post to support scholarships and their mission.*

Approval of Minutes

September meeting minutes were emailed prior to the meeting and approved via email following the call.

Reports

President's Report: Stephanie Heibel- No updates.

Treasurer's Report: Brian Schuele- Will explore options to support Avenue Scholars and bring them back to the

board. Treasurer's reports attached.

Vice President for Service Members and Veterans: Rob Hufford (email)- Nothing major to update on Veteran's Outreach. He would like to propose some sort of drive for the months of November and December to collect smaller household goods for donation to Moving Veteran's Forward. He'd like to then find a Tuesday or Thursday in late December for a group of us to help with moves. These are the days they do the moves, but he doesn't know yet how they schedule or if they'll be taking the holidays off. He will get more info as we proceed. He's looking for 5-10 volunteers who can lift items like couches and mattresses and carry them up multiple flights of stairs.

Vice President for IGE Report: Bobbi Jo Lang- End of FY party and networking event is today. Bobbi is planning the November monthly meeting as our public sector event. A panel is proposed to discuss the Arbor Day tornado response efforts. She presented with student chapter in Lincoln. The Lincoln student chapter will tour the Military Science building on October 15. Bobbi is working on getting a tour for USDA facility. The Lincoln student chapter would like to consider holding a monthly Post meeting in Lincoln with virtual option back to Omaha. Membership numbers are up. The Industry Day committee is looking for a PR person.

Vice President for Resilience: Don Fucik (email)- Will meet with Bobbi Jo to discuss a potential resiliency workshop in November.

Vice President for Professional Development and Personal Growth Report: Kandi Srb- Provided updates for Industry Day and Programs.

Vice President for Leadership and Mentoring Report: Tom Svoboda- SAME National Leader Development Program applications are open.

Director for Communications Report: Jill Zehr- No updates.

Director for Awards and Recognition: Christina McManis- No updates

Director for Young Members and Student Outreach Report: Stephanie Ling- MCC Student Chapter is meeting at Joslyn next Wednesday, Oct 9, at 5:30pm. Please join us if you'd like to soak in the new building.

Here's a list of the people from MCC's Student Chapter that Stephanie think's are eligible for SAME memberships through our sponsorship initiative:

- Jerotich (Joey) Kaitany – works at USACE, was MCC
- Devin Mueller – works at Alvine, was MCC
- Mason Hammock – works at Infrastructure, was MCC
- Ceruh Hellbusch – job in the works?, was MCC
- Hannah Reitz – works at Alvine, was MCC

She thinks we should reach out to confirm that they want a membership, but knows a several are really looking forward to receiving it!

Director for Fellows Report: Natasha Gromak- Reported great attendance at the first fellows meeting. A new Regional Fellows medal was introduced, and nominations from the Post president are being sought. She will follow up with the Industry Day committee for a fellows' celebration during the buffet lunch.

Past President: Ryan Watzke- No updates.

Committee Reports

Industry Day: Kandi Srb- Working on pricing for Industry Day 85th Anniversary Coins. Progress on planning continues.

Programs: Jake Batenhorst (email)- The October meeting (next week) only has 16 people registered. Bobbi Jo is leading the November Public Sector Event. The December meeting will feature the typical USACE Omaha Program Update, this time by Sheila Newman.

2025 Program Schedule and Monthly Post Meetings:

January (TBD): Scott Conference Center, Joint NESPE Meeting (NeSPE Coordinating), Caleb Snyder (New NeSPE President)

Tuesday, February 11, 2025: Field Club of Omaha- Program TBD.

March 11, 2025: Field Club of Omaha – B-21 Bed Down Program update: Andy Temeyer (Omaha District) and Larry Bolton (KC District) (Ellsworth and Whiteman)

Tuesday, April 8, 2025: Field Club of Omaha- Program TBD.

Tuesday, May 6, 2025: Field Club of Omaha- Program TBD.

No meeting in June 2025

Tuesday, July 8, 2025: Field Club of Omaha – Officer Installation?

Tuesday, August 12, 2025: Field Club of Omaha.

Tuesday, September 9, 2025: Field Club of Omaha.

Tuesday, October 14, 2025: Field Club of Omaha.

Wednesday, November 12, 2025: Field Club of Omaha, Placeholder for Public Sector Event.

Tuesday, December 9, 2025: Field Club of Omaha, Placeholder for USACE District Update.

Scholarships & Camps: Joe Shields (by Tom Svoboda) - PR for scholarships for student chapters is being distributed. Camps will be handled differently this year, with applications going to national and notifications returning to the Post.

SMP – Anne Peterson/Bill Glismann (by Tom Svoboda)- Working on a cost breakdown for SMP.

Small Business: Veronica Doga- Planning event for Veterans Day week.

Old Business

None

New Business

Motion to approve the sponsorship of an Engineers Without Borders (EWB) event: Engineers Without Bogeys on November 17th, the Spring Charity Dinner Night, or a Pizza Thursday. For Pizza Thursdays, we can choose between the Silver tier at \$350 for one sponsorship with social media and email promotion, or the Gold tier at \$450 for two sponsorships, including two complimentary EWB Dinner tickets. For the other events, we can select from Silver (\$500), Gold (\$1,000), Platinum (\$2,500), or Diamond (\$5,000+) tiers.

The board will determine the appropriate sponsorship level and allocate the necessary funds during budget meetings closer to the new year. – Motion will move to old business.

Adjournment by Stephanie Heibel

**Minutes Prepared By: Chris Artz, Secretary on 10/7/2024



S.A.M.E. OMAHA POST INCOME STATEMENT

September 2024

Category	9/1/2024- 9/30/2024	OVERALL TOTAL
INCOME		
Treasurer	49.21	49.21
VP for Development and Growth		
Monthly Meeting Registrations	926.70	926.70
TOTAL VP for Development and Gr...	926.70	926.70
TOTAL INCOME	975.91	975.91
EXPENSES		
VP for Development and Growth_		
Monthly Programs	1,022.90	1,022.90
TOTAL VP for Development and Gr...	1,022.90	1,022.90
VP for Leadership and Mentoring_		
SMP Steering Committee	8,609.20	8,609.20
TOTAL VP for Leadership and Men...	8,609.20	8,609.20
VP for Relationships_		
National SAME Event Support	451.35	451.35
TOTAL VP for Relationships_	451.35	451.35
VP for Young Members and Students		
Student Chapter	2,631.76	2,631.76
TOTAL VP for Young Members and...	2,631.76	2,631.76
TOTAL EXPENSES	12,715.21	12,715.21
OVERALL TOTAL	-11,739.30	-11,739.30

CHECKING ACCOUNT

- BEGINNING BALANCE (08/31/24)	\$76,224.96
- ENDING BALANCE (09/30/24)	\$64,485.66

INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

- BEGINNING BALANCE (03/31/24)	\$767,308.00
- ENDING BALANCE (06/30/24)	\$777,462.00
- PRINCIPAL AMOUNT	\$630,000.00



S.A.M.E. OMAHA POST
2024 BUDGET

As of 10/02/2024

Category	Actual	2024 Budget	Difference
INCOME	330,307.15	319,100.00	11,207.15
Treasurer	739.51	100.00	639.51
VP for Development and Growth	319,476.89	308,000.00	11,476.89
Industry Day	308,336.35	260,000.00	48,336.35
Monthly Meeting Registrations	7,995.54	12,000.00	-4,004.46
Scholarships - Donations	850.00	1,000.00	-150.00
Scholarships - Interest Income	0.00	33,000.00	-33,000.00
Scholarships - Split Kitty Sales	2,295.00	2,000.00	295.00
VP for Leadership and Mentoring	4,500.00	5,000.00	-500.00
Fellows Coordinator	0.00	0.00	0.00
SMP Steering Committee	4,500.00	5,000.00	-500.00
VP for Relationships	5,590.75	6,000.00	-409.25
Annual Membership Dues	5,590.75	6,000.00	-409.25
Small Business Liason	0.00	0.00	0.00
Veterans Outreach	0.00	0.00	0.00
EXPENSES	282,887.26	318,760.00	35,872.74
Treasurer_	4,791.81	3,640.00	-1,151.81
Misc. Expenses	4,791.81	3,640.00	-1,151.81
VP for Development and Growth_	213,091.61	217,200.00	4,108.39
Industry Day	176,797.78	160,000.00	-16,797.78
Monthly Meeting Registrations	0.00	100.00	100.00
Monthly Programs	12,226.87	16,000.00	3,773.13
PDHs	0.00	0.00	0.00
Scholarships and Camps	24,066.96	41,100.00	17,033.04
VP for Leadership and Mentoring_	55,395.09	68,500.00	13,104.91
Fellows Coordinator	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
SMP Steering Committee	55,395.09	65,500.00	10,104.91
VP for Relationships_	6,661.75	17,620.00	10,958.25
Community Donations	3,000.00	3,500.00	500.00
Director for Awards and Recognition	0.00	970.00	970.00
Director for Black Hills Chapter	1,000.00	500.00	-500.00
Director for Communications	0.00	200.00	200.00
Engineering Roundtable and E-Week	65.58	4,000.00	3,934.42
National SAME Event Support	2,596.17	6,750.00	4,153.83
Public Agency Partnerships	0.00	500.00	500.00
Small Business Liason	0.00	500.00	500.00
Veteran Outreach - Comm. Involvem...	0.00	700.00	700.00
VP for Resilience	0.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
Resiliency Expenses	0.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
VP for Young Members and Students	2,947.00	10,000.00	7,053.00
Student Chapter	2,747.00	7,500.00	4,753.00
Young Members	200.00	2,500.00	2,300.00
Net Difference:	47,419.89	340.00	47,079.89