

**MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SAME ORANGE COUNTY POST**

To: Distribution
From: Sharon Bison, Will Manker
Date: September 15, 2009
Subject: S.A.M.E. Orange County Post Board of Directors Meeting – September 14, 2009

Board Members (in attendance):

- David Richter
- Penelope Cornwall
- Jeff Davis
- Don McDougald
- Ron Everly
- Scott Pringle
- Steve Tayanipour
- Sharon Bison

A meeting of the Board of Directors (BOD) of the Orange County (OC) Post of the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) was held at the offices of Ninyo and Moore on Monday, 14 September 2009. Mr. Jeff Davis, the SAME OC Post President, called the meeting to order at approximately noon, after lunch.

1. Minutes Review

Draft minutes from the July 2009 BOD meeting were reviewed. The minutes were approved with minor modifications.

2. Treasurer's Report

- Ms. Penelope Cornwall, the SAME OC Post Treasurer, submitted her monthly report for review by the BOD.
- She reviewed the current account totals and indicated that she thinks most if not all of the expenses associated with the June event have been paid. Jeff is meeting with San Diego Post (Dave G.) this week and it would be nice to present them with their portion of proceeds from June event.

3. Program Committee Report

The OC Post Program Chair, Dr. John Cromwell, was not present. Mr. Jeff Davis and Mr. Ron Everly discussed the upcoming programs.

- o Thursday, August 27 - Eagle's Nest, Cypress. This half-day meeting was considered a big success. SMPS has requested that we consider another joint meeting next year. Further discussion on this topic recommended.
- o Friday, September 11 – Annual SAME Golf Tournament. Jeff Davis reported that the event went well; 108 attendees, 14 hole sponsors, 1 long drive sponsor and 2 lunch sponsors. Jeff estimated profits in the \$4000 range and presented Penny with checks for ~\$2200. Jeff indicated that he had spoken with the head of the

golf pro-shop and that they hold a Disabled Veterans clinic every 3 months; Jeff suggested that SAME might want to consider donating money towards a DVBE program. Further discussion on this topic recommended.

- Thursday, October 22 – Eagle’s Nest, Cypress. Note date change (previously misprinted as Friday, 23 October). Ron Everly said that he has been in contact with the Miles family and they are invited to this event. He said he would be reviewing applications and bring recommendations to the next Board meeting scheduled for 5 Oct 2009. He has been in contact with Col. Dombi and is working on logistics of getting her to this event.
- Thursday, November 19 - Business Opportunities Symposium, Costa Mesa Hilton. Jim wasn’t available but Jeff discussed this event and reported that registration is now available online. Potential speakers are Bob Wood from Edwards AFB; Mohammad Bari and/or Lance Toyofuku from Fort Irwin; John Coon from Camp Pendleton; Dan Carrasco and/or Brian Moore from USACE; Robert Kirkbright and Col. Thomas Magness from NAVFAC. Ron offered that Lora Morrow might be available and Dr. Pringle suggested possibly having her do a follow up to the presentation she did on 8/27 that might be more focused on items suggested by attendees (such as contact info or RMPs etc.) rather than a “general small business presentation” that didn’t provide that much new information to firms already in the federal market. Ron said that he had attended the San Diego Post Installation of Officers and has some additional contacts that he will discuss with Bob Yelin.

Jeff recommended that we divide the coordination efforts for this event similar to what we did for the June event with SMPS. Early volunteers include David Richter (Program Chair); Penny (Publicity Chair); Scott Pringle (Co-chair for speakers with Ron as lead). Sharon Bison and Don McDougald also volunteered but no role identified yet. Jeff encouraged the Board to be ready to sign up for specific duties at next meeting.

- Saturday, December 5 – SAME Holiday Ball, Ft. MacArthur.
- Friday, January 15, 2010 – Breakfast with the Chief, General Van Antwerp.

4. **Old Business**

Readiness Plan – Steve reported that he is contacting Emergency Response Centers in Irvine, Santa Ana, Anaheim, and Orange County to find out what they need and how SAME can help them; he will provide an update at the next BOD meeting.

Student Chapter – Dr. Pringle reported that UCI has more than 30,000 students and a large engineering department as well as about 17 organizations that might be interested in establishing a student chapter. A faculty advisor from UCI has not yet been identified. Jeff, Bob Yelin and Dr. Pringle will meet with the Dean of Engineering to brief UCI on what we plan and see if they welcome the concept and then figure out how to implement.

New Business

Don Mitchell – The Board expressed their sadness about the passing of Don Mitchell and recognized the contribution he has made and value added to the SAME post during his tenure.

Cal State Fullerton – Jeff was contacted by someone from CSF asking if SAME would be interested in publicizing some of the courses offered by CSF. Discussion followed and Jeff will get back in touch with his contact and determine whether there is a mutually beneficial reason to continue to pursue this concept.

Small Scholarships – Pertaining to direction of continued funding, Penny suggested establishing a program of small scholarships to assist disadvantaged workers (i.e., single parents, financially strapped individuals etc.) gain entry into the engineering community. This should be discussed further at upcoming meetings.

8. Next Meeting

- The next Board meeting will be at Ninyo and Moore’s Irvine office on Monday, 5 October 2009. The lunch sponsor for this meeting will be Chambers Group.
- Recent lunch sponsors for the BOD meetings have been:

14 September 2009	Ninyo & Moore
3 August 2009	SCS Engineers
13 July 2009	VA Consulting
1 June 2009	Hill International
4 May 2009	EMAX Laboratories
13 April 2009	Integrated Environmental Services (IES)
2 March 2009	Enviro Compliance Solutions, Inc. (ECS)
2 February 2009	DCA Civil Engineering Group
5 January 2009	Kleinfelder
1 December 2008	URS Corporation
3 November 2008	Huitt-Zollars
6 October 2008	Don Mitchell Consulting
8 September 2008	Chambers Group, Inc.

- The meeting adjourned at approximately 1:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
 Will Manker
 SAME OC Post Secretary