



Robins Post
Society of American Military Engineers
Board Meeting
4 April 2007

Board Members:

President	Mark MacEwan	Absent
Vice President	Col Piekarczyk	Absent
Treasurer	Becky McCoy	Present
Secretary	Bill Nagel	Present
Asst Secretary	2Lt Grant Harwell	Present
Executive Directors		
National Liaison	Ric Powers	Present
Membership	Nancy Manley	Present
Directors		
Programs	Ken Branton	Absent
Young Member	Mike Coats	Present
Financial/Events	Kevin Long	Absent
National Security	Judah Bradley	Present
Readiness	Col Steven Zander	Absent
NCO	Chief Sacks	Present
Others		
	Lt. Col. Ballard	Absent

Programs:

- April - April Earth Day activities at Robins AFB are scheduled throughout the month of April, including the SAME/Earth Day Golf Tournament which has been scheduled for Friday, April 20th at RAFB. The SAME general meeting will not be conducted in April.
- May - A base tour is scheduled for May 16th at Robins AFB. Ken Branton and Charline Logue are presently working to facilitate the tour, which will include visits to the groundwater treatment plant (GWTP) and the new C-5 paint/depaint facility (Bldg. 59). The tour will commence at 1300 hours at the Officer's Club (O Club) and will conclude sometime after 1430 hours. A bus will be used to shuttle the tour group to these locations, and will promptly depart the O Club parking lot at 1300 hours. Due to a maximum seating capacity limitation on the bus, participation will be limited to the first 40 responders (advanced sign-up/reservations are required). Contact Bill Nagel (SAME

Robins Post Secretary) to confirm your reservation at the earliest date since seating is limited.

Upcoming events:

- ✚ SAME Earth Day on the Greens Golf Tournament [April 20th];
- ✚ Tour of Air Logistics Command (ALC) [May 16th]; and
- ✚ Tour – TBD in September. Some of the possible tours discussed included the Savannah Dams, Anchor Glass, and a factory in Perry, GA.

The Regional SAME Conference at Calloway Gardens this Fall was briefly discussed relating to fellows/sustaining members returning/group gatherings at the conference. R. Powers recommended placement of strategically located sit down communications areas (i.e., break stations) to encourage and promote conversations between participants at all levels. Discussion ensued about scheduling an activity to promote interaction between the senior/distinguished and young members. Events such as an after hours social was discussed but it was decided to accommodate young members by seating them with the Senior Executive group Members at lunch.

Readiness Plan:

A brief discussion regarding the status of the readiness plan ensued, to attempt to determine the current status of the plan, as well as an appropriate path-forward. Mr. Glover had previously started work on a plan, however work remains to be done and will continue. A briefing was held the previous week. *J. Bradley will look into this. Objectives are to develop a plan and be able to assist in case of a disaster. The Board will also need to check the streamer requirement(s).*

Streamer Awards:

The SAME Robins Post did not submit a package for National Security, however the post won three streamers, one with distinction. As such, the post appears to be a “distinguished” post now. N. Manley reminded the Board that the post is very close to meeting these objectives, but cautioned that the post needs to get over the last hurdle and then maintain.

Post Organization:

SAME Earth Day activities include RAFB Golf Tournament scheduled for Friday, 20 April 2007. As such, there will be no SAME general meeting scheduled for April 2007. An April 2007 newsletter/flyer will not be generated, however a tour notice will be distributed in advance of the May 16th Tour, with advanced sign-up. Unfortunately, the tour group size is limited to a maximum of 40 personnel, and will be strictly enforced. Participants must pre-register to ensure that a seat on the tour bus is reserved.

April 2007 SAME General Meeting:

There will not be an April 2007 General Meeting; the Earth Day on the Greens Golf Tournament, co-sponsored by SAME and Environmental Management will be held on Friday, April 20th.

Finance:

K. Long was tasked with meeting with the newly assigned Smith-Barney advisor with respect to the SAME investment account to ensure that the new advisor is acceptable to the SAME Robins Post. M. Coats indicated that he is familiar with several people at the local Smith-Barney office, and he may be able to help if the assigned account advisor is not a good fit.

Membership:

Two additional memberships were realized at the SAME Robins Post.

Scholarships:

SAME will award two \$1,000.00 scholarships again this year. M. Coats indicated that he has already visited area high schools twice after the SAME Scholarship Packages had been sent out to local area high schools. With the deadline for scholarship applications is approaching (i.e., with an application due date of April 20th), the following status was presented:

- 1 scholarship application has been received from a single high school student;
- A letter of recommendation has been received on behalf of another student, but the student's application has not yet been submitted; and

M. Coats indicated that information and an application form is available on the local SAME website.

Summer Camps:

The US Air Force Summer Camp submission deadline is April 16th. The Camp is a week-long engineering program camp for high school students who have completed their sophomore or junior year and plan to explore an engineering curriculum, allows interaction with other students interested in this discipline. The RAFB SAME Post desires to sponsor a local student for this program. Applications are currently available on the local SAME website. The Post is willing to pay for camp registration and travel reimbursement.

General Topics:

The Earth Day Golf Tournament has been scheduled for April 20th; and is being Co-sponsored by SAME and Environmental Management (CEV). The event made \$1,000 for SAME last year, however the event is not typically a money-maker for the Post. Nancy Manley indicated that she would again be a volunteer for this SAME activity.

Chief Dan Sacks, agreed to be enlisted Board Member of the SAME Robins Post to serve in a NCO (Director position). The Chief introduced himself and indicated he has served 27 years in the military in a Civil Engineering capacity, serving approximately 2/3 of that time spent overseas. Chief Sacks is a CA native, has a bachelor of science degree in Business and is currently working on his Masters in Business. Chief Sacks indicated that he is proud to be part of the SAME Organization and looks forward to becoming an active Board Member. Other Board Members reciprocated. B. McCoy indicated that SAME National would like to get more involvement with NCO's and welcomed Chief Sacks to the organization.

SAME covered the costs associated with the deployed Spouse Support Program meeting and dinner in the amount of \$120. The following Robins Post SAME contributions will be included in the May 2007 Flyer:

Enlisted personnel Spouse program:	\$120
Math counts:	\$250

Bold = Board decisions

Italics = Tasked actions to be taken