



Robins Post
Society of American Military Engineers
Board Meeting
6 June 2007

Board Members:

President	Mark MacEwan	Present
Vice President	Col Piekarczyk	Present
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	Present
Young Member	Mike Coats	Present
Financial/Events	Kevin Long	Present
National Security	Judah Bradley	Absent
Readiness	Col Steven Zander	Absent
NCO/Sr Enlisted	Chief Sacks	Present
NCO/Sr Enlisted	SMSgt Andreasen	Present
Others		
	Lt. Col. Ballard	Present

1155 hours - Meeting Commenced.

Program News:

April - The SAME Earth Day on the Greens Golf Tournament at Robins AFB was successful with \$125 in proceeds from the golf tournament going to SAME Robins Post.

May - The May 16th base tour at Robins AFB was also a success. The tour included visits to the groundwater treatment plant (GWTP) and the new C-5 paint/depaint facility (Bldg. 59).

Upcoming events:

🇺🇸 SAME General Meeting [June 20th];

- ✚ Tour – TBD in September. The leading tour candidate is the local Frito Lay Plant, currently embarking on a tremendous facility expansion which will double the size of the plant, and
- ✚ The Regional SAME Conference at Calloway Gardens this Fall [October 23rd -25th].

Programs:

Mr. Darren Mickler, GA Secretary of State, will be the Presenter at the June 20th SAME General Meeting. Mr. Mickler will be presenting on the history of engineering licensing in the State of Georgia. Donaldson, Garrett & Associates will be featured as the sustaining member spotlight firm.

In next month's program schedule, CAPE Environmental (CAPE) will be both the presenter and featured as the sustaining member spotlight firm [in July].

Readiness Plan:

Readiness is now called National Security. There is no progress to report at present. Lt Col Ballard will inquire to see where things are at. The need for actioning the plan was discussed. SAME awards each post on categories of achievement and sets milestones for achieving. The initial goal is to be able to provide a list of available SAME members that emergency responders can call in case of emergency (i.e., names, expertise; e.g., Hazmat response); and attend readiness meetings with local town and government.

Chief Tom Morris AFRC/A7XS conducted the March 2007 SAME meeting/briefing on 21 March 2007. Chief Sacks indicated he will try to get Chief Morris more-involved with SAME.

Streamer Awards:

Mr. Kevin Long attended the National Conference in Philadelphia, PA, and accepted the streamer flag pins for "Membership" and "Distinguished Post".

Post Organization:

Mr. Powers was awarded the GSPE Engineer in Government Award Recipient, to be awarded at the GSPE Conference at Calloway Gardens on June 15th.

National Conference News:

Mr. Kevin Long attended the National Conference in Philadelphia, PA, and accepted the streamer flag pins for "Membership" and "Distinguished Post". *These streamers will be brought to the 20 June 2007 General Meeting and tied-on to the flag. The flag is presently located in Col. Zander's office, and will be brought to the next SAME General Meeting on 20 June 2007; then will be maintained at Col. Piekarczyk's office thereafter.*

The conference conducted no briefings; with post ops organizations still hashing things out. The Philadelphia Conference had a good turnout, and Mr. Long indicated that the facility was in a good central location for a conference, with a very large layout, hence facilitating wide aisles for exhibits and booths.

Regional Conference News:

The SAME.ORG (www.same.org) website has additional information about the conference, and can be accessed by clicking on 'Conferences', then on 'October' to learn more or register online for the conference. The cost is \$250; with hotel Government Rate at \$64/night at Calloway Gardens, however there are limited rooms available at the Government Rate. A Golf Tournament is scheduled for

Tuesday, 23 October. Volunteers are needed; SAME would like to commit as many as possible with volunteer commitments as little as two hours for the event.

Mr. Mike Coats indicated that Mr. Nelson Rosa currently does not need any help with respect to the Golf Tournament. Mr. Coats indicated that Mr. Rosa has a committee to assist him. The main challenge is getting local businesses involved for donation of prizes and gift certificates. He indicated that the tournament typically sells out. Additionally, Calloway is a captive event that conducts the catering and drinks and provides and maintains drink cart service, hence alleviating some of the effort.

Finance:

Earth Day Golf tournament update: SAME made \$125 at the Earth Day Golf Tournament. SAME is projecting between \$80 - \$90K this year as a result of the Regional Conference at Calloway Gardens, to be split between Co-Sponsoring SAME Ft. Benning Post and SAME Robins AFB Post. To-date about 95% of the available booths have been sold.

SAME Robins Post currently has approximately \$37K in the bank, including stocks, CDs, and bonds, and is therefore self-sufficient, can payout for scholarships.

The new financial advisor for SAME Robins Post is Mr. Wynne Pearson, Financial Advisor - Wealth Advisory Associate, Smith Barney, a division of Citigroup Global Markets, Inc., who met with Mr. Long. Mr. Pearson offered to brief post if interest. The post has a financial plan to allocate funds appropriately. The Smith-Barney Allocation Plan is the Global Wealth Management Strategic Growth Plan, with a moderate risk strategy.

Investments identified in annual report to SAME national. The consensus is that the local SAME post does not have to pay taxes if less than \$25,000 is made per year. As such, the post will need to file this year due to proceeds from the regional conference (the post will not have to pay taxes, but will need to file).

Membership:

SAME Robins Post membership numbers were not readily available at the meeting.

Scholarships:

SAME Robins Post awarded two \$1,000.00 scholarships this year. With respect to the SAME Scholarships, a photograph and an article write-up appeared in the Macon Telegraph. *Ms. Nancy Manley will utilize this information and put into the appropriate streamers.*

Supporting Middle School Student in Science Fair:

An idea to sponsor a school science fair student to help send a local finalist to the state level was discussed. The estimated total cost for this idea is expected to be up to \$200 each; *Mr. Mike Coats will contact the appropriate person to inquire further.* **Ms. Nancy Manley made the motion to support one middle-school up to \$250.** An announcement will be sent to the county-level for dispersement to schools. More than one school may be supported if interest warrants. **The motion was seconded and approved by the Board Members present.**

General Topics:

Professional Development Certificates will once again be provided for attendance to Society of Military Engineers (SAME) Robins Post Meetings, with a professional development hour (PDH)

awarded for attending a general meeting where a relevant professional or technical presentation is conducted. The PDH certificates will be signed by the Post Secretary and provided to the professional engineers in attendance.

Chief Sacks presented a letter of appreciation/thank you from Mr. Daniel Michael Sacks, a Student attending University of Florida, for receiving one of two \$1,000 SAME Robins Post Scholarships awarded by the post recently.

Col. Piekarczyk extended a word of thanks to the SAME Robins Post for covering the costs for food for their Deployed Spouses Meeting/Gathering held recently.

Mr. Ric Powers acknowledged and thanked Robins AFB personnel for putting a package together on his behalf. Mr. Powers was awarded the GSPE Engineer in Government Award Recipient, to be awarded at the GSPE Conference at Calloway Gardens on June 15th. Mr. Powers indicated that the Robins post was strong, and urged the post to stay the course.

Mr. MacEwan asked if there were any additional comments/issues. The meeting was closed and dismissed at approximately 1300 hours.

Bold = Board decisions

Italics = Tasked actions to be taken