

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

**To:** Distribution  
**From:** Will Manker  
**Date:** March 1, 2009  
**Subject:** S.A.M.E. Orange County Post Board of Directors Meeting – February 2, 2009

**Board Members (in attendance):**

- Ron Everly
- Don Mitchell
- Penny Cornwall
- Tonya Compton
- Steve Tayanipour
- Will Manker
- Bob Yelin
- John Cromwell
- Judy McKeehan
- Bill Stracker
- Scott Pringle
- Jeff Davis
- Sharon Bison
- Alicia Meza
- Don McDougald
- David Richter

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, 2 February 2009. Dr. Bob Yelin, the SAME OC Post President, called the meeting to order at approximately 12:03 pm, after lunch.

**1. Minutes Review**

- Draft minutes from the January 2009 BOD meeting were reviewed. The minutes were approved with no modifications.

**2. Slate for 2009 Board of Directors**

- The slate of candidates for the 2009 BOD will be voted on by the general membership at the February meeting. Mr. Ron Everly, Assistant Regional Vice President, is attempting to arrange for the Southwest Regional Vice President, Col Janice Dombi, to attend the February meeting and install the newly elected BOD.

**3. Treasurer's Report**

- Ms. Penny Cornwall, the SAME OC Post Treasurer submitted her monthly report for review by the BOD.
  - o Checking - \$50,686.53
  - o Investment CD - \$15,107.70
  - o CD (8-mo @ 4.69%) - \$10,564.57
- Penny noted in her report that the books on the 2008 financial year have closed and that she will attempt to schedule completion of the 2008 taxes in the next couple of weeks.

- Penny presented the Proposed 2009 budget, which the BOD approved.

#### **4. Program Committee Report**

- Dr. John Cromwell, OC Post Program Chairman, Mr. Jim Carter, Chairman for the Business Opportunities Symposium, and Mr. Jeff Davis, the Golf Tournament Chairman, discussed the upcoming 2009 Program schedule.
  - o Thursday, February 26 – Eagle’s Nest, Cypress. Ms. Debra Ford, the new Military Programs Chief for the USACE - Los Angeles District, will be the main speaker. Col. Steve Fisher (Ret) of Camp Pendleton, representing the Marine Executive Association (MEA), will also make a brief presentation.
  - o Thursday, March 26 – Eagle’s Nest, Cypress. Ms. Judy McKeehan said she is having difficulty getting responses from the Veterans Administration concerning a speaker for March. Steve Tayanipour said he will arrange for Mr. Art Leahy, the Executive Director of the OCTA, to make a presentation.
  - o Thursday, April 23 – Eagle’s Nest, Cypress. Speaker TBD. Captain John Kurtz, the Commanding Officer for Seal Beach NWS, is a potential candidate. The Los Angeles Post’s Annual Business Forum is scheduled for 21 April.
  - o Thursday, May 28 – Eagle’s Nest, Cypress. Speaker TBD. General Coombs, the Commanding Officer of the Joint Services Training Center Los Alamitos, or his replacement are potential candidate presenters for this meeting. The meeting venue may be changed to Los Alamitos.
  - o Thursday, June 25 – Camp Pendleton Day. Based on discussions following the 2008 event, the OC Post agreed to share this event with the San Diego Post. The Senior NCO Ballroom at Camp Pendleton is the preferred venue for this event since space at Sharky’s has been limited.
  - o July – The July activity is still under discussion. The OC Post may resume Angel’s Baseball Night in July in partnership with the Veterans Administration. Penny Cornwall recommended a new activity, like the Orange County Ampitheater.
  - o August - Eagle’s Nest, Cypress. Speaker TBD.
  - o Friday, September 11 – Annual SAME Golf Tournament. Jeff Davis made arrangements to hold the event at the Navy Golf Course at the Eagle’s Nest, in Cypress.
  - o October – U.C. Irvine Scholarship meeting. Speaker TBD. Col Janice Dombi is a potential candidate.
  - o Thursday, 19 November - Business Opportunities Symposium, Costa Mesa Hilton.

#### **5. Membership**

Mr. Ron Everly, the Assistant Regional Vice President reports that he has been contacted by several organizations wishing to join the OC Post, including: Brooke Furniture; TMTc; and Trevor Resurrection. In addition, Ron’s firm, Faithful + Gould, recently became Sustaining Members.

**6. Young Member Committee**

Ms. Tonya Compton, OC Post Young Members Chair and Mr. Jeff Davis, current OC Post Vice President and 2009 Incoming President, will attend the SAME Post Leaders Workshop in Los Angeles, February 11 -12. Twenty-five college engineering students will also attend.

**7. Readiness Committee**

Mr. Steve Tayanipour reported that there has been a revision in the National Response Framework, which should be reflected in the Post Emergency Response Plan when it is amended.

**9. New Business**

Mr. Ron Everly reported that he had recently been contacted by the Society of Marketing Professionals (SMPS), asking if they could co-host Camp Pendleton Day in June. The BOD discussed this prospect and voted against it since the OC Post has already agreed to co-host the event with the San Diego Post.

MATHCOUNTS – Dr. Scott Pringle described the MATHCOUNTS program, which he and Mr. Jam Carter participated in last year. Scott provided handouts for the BOD and let them know that volunteers were welcome at the California State competition, which will take place at U.C. Irvine on 21 March.

American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) Engineers’ Week – The California Student Outreach Program (CalSOP) helps to promote Engineers’ week, which is dedicated to increasing understanding of and interest in engineering and technology careers among students. Engineers’ week 2009 is scheduled for February 15-21, 2009.

2008 Streamers - Mr. Will Manker, OC Post Streamers Chair, handed out summary matrices showing the three streamer applications he sent to SAME Headquarters on 30 January. The three applications were for 1) Outreach & Communication, 2) Relationships & Recognition, and 3) Education & Training. The Post did not submit for Readiness & Homeland Security. Mr. Manker praised the BOD for their efforts throughout the year to satisfy the many streamer requirements.

**10. Next Meeting**

- The next Board meeting will be at Ninyo and Moore’s Irvine office on Monday, 2 March 2009. The lunch sponsor for this meeting will be ECS.
- Recent lunch sponsors for the BOD meetings have been:

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.
4 August 2008	Hill International
7 July 2008	VA Consulting
2 June 2008	Ninyo & Moore
5 May 2008	DCA Civil Engineering Group
7 April 2008	SCS Engineering
3 March 2008	EMAX Laboratories
4 February 2008	Kleinfelder

- The meeting adjourned at approximately 1:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Will Manker  
SAME OC Post Secretary