

MEETING MINUTES
SAME POST
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

May 15, 2006

The monthly SAME Executive Board meeting was held at the Savannah District, USACE Headquarters to discuss operational issues and post business. Those in attendance were:

John Panhorst
Gwen Parker
Sally Riker

The next Board meeting will be held on June 19, 2006 at 1000 at the Savannah District Headquarters.

Program

May luncheon- Pirates House, 11:30 am on May 15, BG(ret) Peter Madsen as speaker.

June luncheon- Pirates House, 11:30 am on June 19, speaker: Scott Fehnel - HNTB, Kansas City.
Topic: Why We Do What We Do - Engineers in Combat

July luncheon- Pirates House, 11:30 am on July 17, speaker ???

Possible New Lunch Location

Gwen Parker reported that the fee for the Mighty Eighth Museum was prohibitive since they do not have regularly available space that we could use for free like we do at the Pirates House. Decision to stay at the Pirates House until such time a more advantageous locality presents itself.

Finances

Account balances are approximately \$5,000 in checking and \$32,000 in Savings.

Savannah Engineer Academy

The Savannah Post was approached by Letty Shearer of Armstong-Atlantic University representing the Savannah Engineer Academy. The academy is designed for rising junior and senior high school students from Chatham, Bryan, Effingham and Liberty counties interested in a career in engineering. During the five-day academy professional from major engineering disciplines including civil, electrical/computer, mechanical, industrial, chemical and environmental conduct tours and hands-on activities related their fields. They are seeking support from firms and professional organizations to help defray the costs of the academy so students only pay a nominal registration fee if selected to participate. Sponsorship of \$250 was requested. Board voted to send \$250. Action: Sally Riker

Taxes and Financial Report

The post has been alerted by Regional and National headquarters that our financial report is overdue. Sally Riker and Eric Robinson need to meet to finalize data and decide if any additional information is needed. Action: Sally Riker

Gift Basket for SAME National Conference in New Orleans, LA

Basket is half complete and John Panhorst will finish before the national conference convenes. Action: John Panhorst

Website

Discussions were held on updating and simplifying the post website so that it is more consistent from page to page. Also, Gwen Parker suggested we maintain a briefing archive for past programs so they may be of use to our membership in the future. Action: Doug Ruppel

Scholarship

Scholarship forms are available and posted on the website. Eric is chair of the scholarship committee. Applications are due: ???? Action: Eric Robinson

Elections

Elections were held at the regular membership meeting. Fifteen votes For, Zero votes Against the proposed slate (attached to April's minutes).