

**SAGA 87th Annual General Meeting
January 06, 2022**

Online Zoom meeting

1. President Fradette called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. with 27 members in attendance

2. **Agenda**

MOTION: The Agenda be approved. Bryan Harvey / Morley Ayars - **CARRIED**

3. **Minutes of 86th AGM**

MOTION: Approve as amended. Irene Ahner / Eric Joshnson - **CARRIED**

4. **Business Arising from the Minutes** – none

5. **Honorary Life Member Awards**

President Fradette provided a short introduction and overview of the HLM awards. President Fradette introduced the HLM recipients.

Wilf Keller

Grant Wood

President Fradette will be contacting each recipient and will offer that at the next opportunity they can receive their awards in person. In addition the plaques can be delivered or mailed to them.

6. **Treasurer's Report- Morley Ayars**

Another Covid year resulting in no banquet.

Please find attached the Compilation report, Income, Balance Sheet and Sources and Uses of Funds Statements. As you can see there was no errors in the statements provided according to GAAP. We had total Revenues of \$11,171.72 with \$8,717.72 from the increase in our mutual fund. Our expenditures were \$5,985.25 leaving us a net income of \$5,186.47. Without the increase in the mutual fund we would have had a deficit of \$3,531.25.

Our new worth at year end was \$78,230.60. Mutual fund value at \$65,058.17 and chequing account at \$9,966.09.

Thanks,
Morley Ayars, Treasurer

At meeting: Morley Ayars went over the highlights of the Report and thanked Paul Marciniak for doing the compilation this year.

FINANCIAL REPORTS and STATEMENTS

Compilation Report SAGA for the year 2020/2021

In conducting the Compilation report for the 2020/2021 year I reviewed each expense item and a random sampling of revenue items.

I found no errors or omissions. I therefore, made no changes to the statements provided



Paul Marciniak BSA 1980

Sources and Uses Of Funds - SAGA - for the year 2020/2021

| | |
|----------------|--------------|
| Beginning Cash | \$ 13,761.86 |
|----------------|--------------|

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|------------|-------------|
| Net Income | \$ 5,186.47 |
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Changes to Assets and Liabilities

| | |
|---|----------|
| Increase in Computer Software | -349.99 |
| Reduction in inventory (The Sodbusters Vision) | \$ 46.96 |
| Increase in Office Furniture and equipment | -17.99 |
| Outstanding bank fees | 56.5 |
| | -264.52 |

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|------------------------|-------------|
| Net Cash by Operations | \$ 4,921.95 |
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Cash generated (used) by financing activities

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|------------------------------------|--------------|
| Increased value of BMO Mutual fund | -\$ 8,717.72 |
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| Ending Cash | \$ 9,966.09 |
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Entity No. 205879

Name of Corporation

Saskatchewan Agricultural Graduates' Association Inc.

Income Statement 2019-11-01 to 2020-10-31

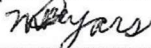
| REVENUES | | (Current Year) | (Prior Year) |
|--|---|----------------|--------------|
| (Includes revenue for which payment has not yet been received) | | 2020-2021 | 2019-2020 |
| 1 | Membership Fees | \$ 820.00 | \$ 3,420.00 |
| 2 | Grants | | \$ - |
| 3 | Donations | \$ 214.00 | \$ - |
| 4 | Fundraising | | \$ - |
| 4a | Hockey | \$ - | \$ 470.00 |
| 4b | | | |
| 4c | Banquet & Mixer | \$ - | \$ 23,793.35 |
| 4d | Banquet & Mixer at Reunion Night | \$ - | \$ 555.00 |
| 5 | Other Receipts Ag in Motion | | \$ - |
| 5a | Professional Development | | \$ - |
| 5b | Newsletter Subscription | | \$ - |
| 5c | Website/Newsletter Ads | \$ 1,300.00 | \$ 1,300.00 |
| 5d | Sales of "The Sodbusters Vision" Book | \$ 120.00 | \$ 145.00 |
| 6 | Interest (increase in value of mutual fund) | \$ 8,717.72 | \$ 2,317.80 |
| 7 | Total Revenue for the Year | \$ 11,171.72 | \$ 32,001.15 |

| EXPENSES | | (Current Year) | (Prior Year) |
|---|--|----------------|--------------|
| (Includes expenses for which payment has not yet been made) | | 2020-2021 | 2019-2020 |
| 8 | Personnel Costs (Salaries, etc) | | \$ - |
| 9 | Taxes & Licences (Corporate Registry) | \$ 188.69 | \$ 15.00 |
| 10 | Lease or Rental Costs | | \$ - |
| 11 | Utilities | | \$ - |
| 12 | Insurance | | \$ - |
| 13 | Repairs & Maintenance | | \$ - |
| 14 | Office Supplies & Postage | \$ 70.42 | \$ - |
| 15 | Bank Charges (including Moneris charges) | \$ 746.13 | \$ 1,218.48 |
| 16 | Communication to Members | | |
| 16a | Newsletter (publication & Mailing) | \$ 3,182.55 | \$ 3,884.72 |
| 16b | Website | \$ 854.00 | \$ 1,064.24 |
| 17 | Social Functions | | \$ - |
| 17a | Hockey (See shown above in revenue) | \$ - | \$ 72.79 |
| 17b | | | \$ - |
| 17c | Banquet & Mixer | \$ - | \$ 20,247.98 |
| 18 | Misc: Visa deduction, | | \$ - |
| 18a | ASA | \$ 500.00 | \$ 200.00 |
| 18b | Professional Development-students | | \$ - |
| 18c | Crop Production Week Membership | \$ - | \$ 250.00 |
| 18d | Sask Ag Hall of Fame | \$ - | \$ 100.00 |
| 18e | President Portrait | \$ - | |
| 18f | Other, "The Sodbusters Vision" Book | \$ 46.96 | \$ 46.96 |
| 18g | Other Misc Membership fees | \$ 100.00 | \$ - |
| | Life Membership Expense | \$ 296.50 | \$ 500.00 |
| 19 | Total Expenses for the Year | \$ 5,985.25 | \$ 27,600.17 |
| | | \$ 5,186.47 | \$ 4,400.98 |

Name of Corporation **Saskatchewan Agricultural Graduates' Association Inc.**
Entity No. 205879
Statement of Assets & Liabilities at Oct 31, 2021 With Comparative Figures Oct 31, 2020

| <u>Assets</u> | | 2021 (Current Year) | 2020 (Prior Year) |
|-----------------------------------|---|------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 | <u>Cash</u> | | |
| | cash on hand | \$ - | \$ - |
| | cash in bank | \$ 9,966.09 | \$ 14,567.29 |
| | less outstanding cheques | \$ - | \$ 805.43 |
| | <u>Total Cash</u> | \$ 9,966.09 | \$ 13,761.86 |
| 1b | Pre paid Expenses - deposit on 2021 Banquet | \$ - | \$ 1,500.00 |
| 2 | <u>Term Deposits</u> | \$ - | \$ - |
| 3 | <u>Receivables (specify)</u> | \$ - | \$ - |
| 4 | <u>Other Current Assets (Specify)</u> | | |
| | Investments (Mutual Fund) | \$ 65,058.17 | \$ 56,340.45 |
| 5 | <u>Fixed Assets</u> | | |
| | Land | \$ - | \$ - |
| | buildings (cost less depreciation) | \$ - | \$ - |
| | equipment (cost less depreciation) | \$ - | \$ - |
| | other <u>None</u> | \$ - | \$ - |
| 6 | <u>Other Assets</u> <u>None</u> | \$ - | \$ - |
| | Office furniture and Equipment | \$ 17.99 | |
| | Computer Software | \$ 349.99 | |
| | 114 copies of "The Sodbusters Vision" Book @ \$11.74 ea | \$ 1,338.36 | \$ 1,385.32 |
| 7 | <u>Total Assets</u> <u>Cash & Investments</u> | \$ 78,230.60 | \$ 72,987.63 |
| <u>Liabilities</u> | | | |
| 8 | <u>Accounts Payable</u> | | \$ - |
| 9 | <u>Other Current Liabilities</u> | | |
| | Banking fees payable | \$ 56.50 | \$ - |
| 10 | <u>Loans</u> | \$ - | \$ - |
| 11 | <u>Other Long Term Liabilities (Specify)</u> | | |
| | <u>None</u> | \$ - | \$ - |
| | <u>Total Liabilities</u> | \$ 56.50 | \$ - |
| <u>Surplus (Deficit)</u> | | | |
| 12 | <u>Balance Forward from previous year</u> | \$ 72,987.63 | |
| | <u>Current Year Surplus (Deficit)</u> | \$ 5,186.47 | |
| | <u>Balance at End of Year</u> | \$ 78,174.10 | |
| 13 | <u>Total Liabilities & Surplus</u> | \$ 78,230.60 | \$ 72,987.63 |
| (Note: Line 7 must equal line 13) | | | |

Approved on behalf of the Board of Directors:



Director
Morley Ayars BSA 75



President
Jason Fradette BSA 84

Compilation by: 
Paul Marciniak BSA 80

Date Dec 1, 2021

MOTION: That the Treasurer's report be approved. Bryan Harvey / Ward Headrick – **CARRIED**

MOTION: That the Executive appoint the person to do the 2021-2022 Compilation Report. Morley Ayars / Blair Cummins – **CARRIED**

7. Reports

a) Scholarship Committee – Ewald Lammerding/Hamish Tulloch

Two scholarships were granted once again this fall to worthy College of Agriculture and Bioresources students. We are pleased to announce Courtney Taylor and Maeve Balmer were the latest recipients of the \$3000 award. Maeve is attending her second year in Animal Bioscience, while Courtney is in her third year of Agri-business.

Contributions by fellow Ag Grads continue to uphold the ideals that SAGA has set forth in our continuing support for students following in our footsteps, but at the same time taking agriculture in exciting new directions.

The fund balance at the end of 2021 was *\$1,030.

*Note that year-end donations are still being recorded and the balance may not reflect all of the 2021 scholarship contributions.

SAGA Scholarship Committee: Hamish Tulloch '91C
Ewald Lammerding '88

Noted at meeting that this is the third year for the scholarship

b) ASA – Kate Sauser

Students are glad to be back to in-person classes and able to host events after a year of online.

Events:

- Meet and Greet in September
- Blood Drive in September
- Ag Nights have started again
- Unfortunately they had to cancel Drag but are hoping to be able to host something in March
- October- hosted Mental Health Week with several activities
- October 31 – Foodbank trick or treat collected 590lbs of food.
- Movember raised over \$6000.00 with several activities
 - Milk Chug vs Dalhousie (Agros won)
- Awarded two National Youth and Philanthropy awards along with the U of S
- December – 2nd successful Blood Drive
- Toy Drive for Secret Santa Foundation
- Bedpush planning is underway, kickoff will be the beginning of February. They would love to have SAGA join in to help push again.

Have some clothing orders

- Bedpush Onsies
- Online store for Agro gear

Proud to be Agros and to have SAGA in their corner.

Membership – Henry de Gooijer

The current Covid pandemic continues to have a negative effect on the membership of the association. As of October 31, 2021 SAGA membership has decreased to 1757 ag grads. There are 53 Annual Members, 45 Honorary Life Members, 3 free memberships and 1656 Life members. This is a reduction of approximately 90 members from the previous year. While many of these were expiring annual memberships, the cancellation of the 2021 Ag Grad reunion banquet, traditionally a time where a number of life and annual memberships are purchased, has significantly reduced the issuance of new memberships. The restrictions around public gatherings and the University of Saskatchewan conducting on-line versus in-person classes for the 20-21 academic year has also limited the outreach to new graduates from the college. In 2021 there were 14 new memberships issued.

Maintaining current contact information for the membership continues to be a priority. The primary and increasing method of contact with SAGA members is through email versus Canada Post. We currently have email addresses for approximately 60% of SAGA members. However, email addresses tend to change a bit more often than mailing or street addresses, so every mailing of the SAGA newsletter does bring in a list of members for which we no longer have a valid address. Currently we don't have current contact information for approximately 2% of our members. Thank you to the SAGA members who do send their new contact information to us and thanks to the efforts of Ewald, Hamish and the rest of the executive, we are able to track down new information for many and re-establish contact with them.



Henry de Gooijer

c) Hockey –

No Hockey tournament (again) - therefore no report

d) Newsletter – Ewald Lammerding

e)

For the first time, we are mailing the Newsletter to less than 600 Saga members, due to a large number switching to the Email version, and unfortunately, a few more deceased. We still have difficulties with members sending us their changes of address and info when they move, though it is somewhat easier to track them down. Many thanks to Henry de Gooijer '83, for the fine job he does correlating it all.

But even with less hardcopy mailing our costs have continued to increase. Canada Post finds a way to up the ante each year, if just a little. And for the Dec. issue, costs of paper for printing jumped. Little we can do to control any of these expenses, other than keep decreasing the hardcopy version.

Thanks for the continued support by our usual three advertisers; Saskatchewan Municipal Hail Insurance (SMHI), Farm Credit Corporation (FCC) and BrettYoung Seeds.

We also had a one time ad in the Dec. issue from BlackFox Farm and Distillery, (owned and operated by two Ag Grads and Saga members) offering Commemorative Class Specials.

I would like to thank Irene Ahner '65 for her great two-part story about our first Women Agriculture Graduates' (and the grads and Saga members who contributed) in the Dec. 2020 and June 2021 issues. Be great for Irene to get some feedback some day as to-date, very little has reached her in-box.

To Allen Hingston '69, for his first article concerning agriculture in Ukraine. It's an eye-opener, conditions one never considers affecting other countries.

Chay Anderson '14, our Saga Hockey Chair, gave us all great insight into how the current virus has affected southern Sask and the ranching business.

Blair Cummins '77 - MAL: getting a Cheers with Peers squeezed in this year. With a picture!

Thanks to our regular contributors.

President Jason Fradette '84: who has written 5 President's Pen's during his extended tenure.

Dean of AgBio, Angela Bedard-Haughn '01: who has kept us up to date not only with U of S safety protocols, but all the steps the College of AgBio has kept taking and dealing with throughout this ordeal, always continuing to grow the benefits for agriculture as a whole.

Hamish Tulloch '91: AgBio Development Office for helping Saga members stay aware of the need of on-going contributions for the betterment of the students

ASA reps: PRO's - Dylan Stang '21 & Kate Sauser '23, and the AgBio Clubs Liaisons - Olivia Kennedy '21 & Marshall Watson '23. (The Kids are doing alright!).

VP Deanne Belisle '79: for all the work she has had to do the last two years. Not only did she need to find 44 class Chairs to cover both 2021 & 2022, she had to coordinate all things on a regular basis, while handling each and every hiccup that came with the pandemic. Then made sure each Newsletter & the Website had all the relevant up-to-the-moment data. All this while doing her day job, in supposed retirement.

Please keep in mind that grads cannot read about what is happening with fellow Ag Grads if the information isn't sent to us. Sometimes a tip is all that's needed. Research can do the rest.

Ewald Lammerding '88 S

At meeting: Ewald acknowledged Debbie Brown who has been doing the layout of the newsletter since 83/84 – Thankyou!

e) Banquet/Reunion – Ewald Lammerding/John Hauer

Besides presenting Honorary Life Membership to John Hickie and Dave Christensen at the 2021 AGM, we had taken no steps to hold the 2021 Reunion Banquet.

But with renewed sense of hope, we were busy this fall, taking all the steps necessary to hold the 2022 Reunion Banquet on Jan. 8, 2022. With the possibility of 44 Grad Classes taking part, early projections were for over 500 grads and guests attending the celebrations.

Those numbers proved wildly (just a bit) optimistic, but with 180 tickets having been purchased, we had finalized plans with both TCU Place and Imagery Photography on safe and controlled procedures to encompass all the activities to be held during the evening. The WDM had also pitched in, working hard to supply us with photographs of early agriculture, as they have the last several years.

Alas, all hopes are dashed. These efforts have been put on hold once again.

Ewald Lammerding '88
& John Hauer '84

f) Sask. Agricultural Hall of Fame – Bryan Harvey

Like everyone else the activities of the SAHF have been radically affected by COVID19. The usual face to face ceremonies have been cancelled. Depending on the vagaries of COVID the plan is to have two ceremonies in 2022 one in the Spring to present the 2020 and 2021 awards and one in the Fall celebrating the 50th anniversary plus presenting the 2022 awards. A press conference is slated for January 11th to announce the latest group of inductees.

Bryan Harvey

g) Crop Production Week – Jo-Anne Relf-Eckstein

The Crop Production Week (CPW) Saskatchewan Inc. is a non-profit organization formed in 2005. The corporation is a membership-based corporation, with three classes of membership: Regular, Associate, and Advisory. SAGA holds a Regular Membership.

The CPW Saskatchewan Inc.'s main function is to support the organization of member events that coincide with the Crop Production Week. Most members hold their AGMs or update meetings in Saskatoon in early January, a time coinciding with the combined Western Canadian Crop Production Show and CropSphere Conference and the SAGA Reunion.

The 2021 Western Canada Crop Production Show and CropSphere were canceled due to the pandemic. The CPW Saskatchewan Inc. organizations held their AGMs during the traditional week, but instead of face-to-face meetings, the AGMs were virtual and delivered using a cloud-based video conferencing service. For several organizations, mainly the crop-based organization, the delivery of the meetings using Zoom webinar and voting systems was coordinated by the AV Technical staff Prairieland Park. The staff patiently worked with the different organizations, scheduling dry runs for directors located in rural locations in order to test their internet connections and become comfortable with the remote meeting style. Overall, AGM attendance was up for most groups with increased participation by non-voting members.

Throughout the 2021-2022 year, the COVID-19 pandemic persisted and continued to impact how meetings were conducted. The CPW Saskatchewan virtual AGM was held on April 08, 2021. Here are the highlights of the meeting:

- The 2021-2022 Board of CPW Saskatchewan directors agreed to remain in their current positions: Darren Yungman, Chairman, and Danny Petty, Secretary/Treasurer, both elected by acclamation.
- Membership fees stayed the same, \$250 for each member group including Saskatchewan Ag Grads Association, Canaryseed Development Commission, Saskatchewan Seed Growers Association, Sask Winter Cereals (Winter Cereals Canada), Sask Alfalfa Seed Producers Development Commission, CropSphere (c/o Sask Wheat Development Commission), AgriARM (c/o IHARF), Saskatchewan Forage Seed Development Commission and Saskatchewan Mustard Development Commission. The College of Agriculture & Bioresources is an Advisory member (no membership fees).

- The Financial Position, on an accrual basis as of March 31, 2021, is reported as follows:

TOTAL ASSETS \$50,961. Chequing Account balance of \$19,292. GIC Renewal a one-year non-redeemable Term Deposit (\$30,000 at 1.000 %), Accounts Receivable \$1,668.

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY \$50,961. Opening Balance Equity \$59,961, Unrestricted Net Assets -\$11,759, Net Income \$2,758.

TOTAL INCOME \$7,842 derived from Sponsorship (\$5,000) provided by the Ministry of Agriculture for advertising and promotion of meetings of the CPW Board members, Membership Fees (\$2,250 – 9 Regular membership fees @\$250), and Interest (\$592).

TOTAL EXPENSES \$5,083. The main expense is advertising the AGMs. Other expenses include Website Maintenance by Mooseworld (\$532) and Banking Fees (\$51).

NET INCOME \$2,758 reflects a change from \$1,684 in the previous year due to reduced administrative costs. Contracted Services shifted to volunteer commitments such as meeting scheduling, recording, and financial accounting by Danny Petty.

TOTAL PROJECTED INCOME 2021/22 is \$7,750 sourced from Membership Fee for 9 members @\$250, Sponsor Income \$5,000, and Interest Income \$500.

TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENDITURES 2021/22 \$7,505. Promotion/Advertising (\$4,500); Website (\$1,000), Administration expenses (\$400) for postage, meeting charges), Bank service charges (\$60), Incorporation Fee (\$45).

PROJECTED SURPLUS 2020/21 Budget \$245.

The AGMs for the 2022 CPW Saskatchewan Inc and Crop Sphere organizations are scheduled for four days, January 10-13th. Prairieland Park will provide the AV support for several of the organizations as they chose either a virtual-only AGM as in January 2021 or a hybrid format, a combination of an in-person meeting at Prairieland Park with remote access available through the Zoom teleconferencing system. Following the same process as the previous year, a common registration system, saskcrops.com, and advertising for the AGMs were prepared. All groups were provided similar information and formatting suitable for use on organization websites and newsletters. SAGA advertising about the AGM and Reunion events are included in the messaging.

SaskOats became a new member of CPW Saskatchewan Inc in October 2021. Several of the CPW organizations collaborated and will cost-share the teleconferencing account services provided by AV Prairieland Park AV Facilities and the technical support for dry runs and AGM Zoom sessions and voting systems.

Respectfully submitted to the SAGA AGM on January 6, 2022

by,

J. Relf-Eckstein

h) Social Media – Mayson Maerz/Louis Bossaer

Twitter

- Jointly monitored by both of us, with Louis playing the lead role in responses, reTweets, and recognition of undergrad activities.
- In 2021 we grew our followers to 1,191. They are primarily newer or undergraduates of the College, and family or business-related accounts.

- We interact (ex: can you retweet this?) with the College of AgBio (@agbiousask) and the Agros (@UofSAgros). We monitor and retweet other university sites, such as the Alumni (@UsaskAlumni), Plant Sciences (@usaskplsc), and the Crop Development Centre (@CDC_Usask)

Dec 2021 • 31 days

TWEET HIGHLIGHTS

Top Tweet earned 6,616 impressions

Very sad news to report from our reunion committee. 😞 please take the time to read the message from our president.

[@UofSAgros](#) [@agbiousask](#)

pic.twitter.com/xq3PggZIZr

occur just following the Christmas season and perhaps peak near the SAGA Reunion weekend.

SAGA does not want to any of our members in a potentially unsafe situation. Also we do not want SAGA to be seen as irresponsible by holding an event when many others are being cancelled at this time.

Recently we have received a lot of input from our Class reunion chairs. They are telling us that grads, especially some of the 40+ years classes, are also seeing this pandemic trend emerging and are understandably feeling uneasy about attending the reunion on January 8th. We want this event to be enjoyable and without stress for attendees, which may not be possible at this time.

Also influencing this decision was the fact that SAGA sold 180

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- Here's an example of our December tweet. Twitter Analytics allows us to track a number of parameters pertaining to each tweet. As with FaceBook a key measure of 'success' is the number of visits (impressions) as well as shares or retweets. Whenever you see a FaceBook post or Tweet from SAGA, please circulate to your followers by Sharing or Retweeting!

- To be effective we need to be Tweeting at least 1x per week, so if you see UofS AgBio or Ag Grad related stories, text or DM (direct message) Louis or myself to get at it.

- It is generally recognized that many agricultural producers, suppliers and academia are very active on Twitter so the more activity we can generate on this platform, the better.

Facebook

- We have 689 Facebook 'friends' largely comprised of the more mature Ag

Grad community.

- Activity by myself on the Facebook page was intermittent, with 25 Posts and/or shared stories over the course of 2021.
- We had the greatest activity this year by sharing a CTV-produced report on the history of the College of Agriculture's Bed Push for TeleMiracle (February 28, 2021) with over 9,805 people reached and 80 Shares. Our average post/repost sees 350 reached and 3 shares – sharing builds our profile!
- *This will be a focus on both social media platforms over the next two months – creating buzz, awareness, and ideally finding runners for the SAGA participation in the Bed Push.* It should be noted with SAGA's increased involvement in this fundraiser the Agros have achieved big numbers, with the 2020 amount reaching \$45,000.00
- Other focus areas continue to be our "Cheers with Peers" events, noteworthy stories from AgBio and the Alumni office, and obituary announcements to recognize key SAGA contributors.

- At this point I will continue to manage the Facebook site, and work with Louis on Twitter, but if you have bumped into a grad who would like to get involved – we're open to discussion!!

Mayson Maerz, 1983C and Louis Bossaer 1995C

Presented verbally at meeting

We have just reached 2000 followers on Twitter

Please let Louis and Mayson know if there is something that should be communicated.

Website – Ward Headrick

Shoutout to

Have some people posting virtual reunions and toasting fellow alumni

Twitter has 1001 followers, Facebook is fairly static

i) Website – Ward Headrick

Presented verbally at meeting:

Shoutout to Keith Head, he did the manual/step by step on how to manage the website.

If anyone thinks there is something missing on the website or would like to see something, let him know.

j) Past President – Eric Johnson

The primary role of the Past-President is to: "bring forward to the Executive, the names for consideration for Honorary Life Members and other awards. The Past-President shall see that the Honorary Life Member Plates are engraved".

Honorary President Gratton O'Grady and President Jason Fradette assisted me in the selection of HLM. Wilf Keller '69C and Grant Wood 79'C were the chosen recipients of the 2022 award. Engraving of the plates for both the 2021 and 2022 recipients will be done when the College of Agriculture and Bioresources building is fully accessible.

It has been a pleasure to serve of the SAGA Executive for the past 3.5 years. We have been able to recruit high quality, vibrant people to the Executive which bodes well for the future of SAGA.

Eric Johnson

k) Vice-President – Deanne Belisle

2021 Reunion - Reunion contacts were made for 16 of the 18 reunion groups and all agreed to stay on as their class chairperson, in spite of their own personal fluctuating plans. Thank you!

2022 Reunion – Reunion Chairs were made for 14 of the 18 reunion groups. Thank you!

In spite of the pandemic uncertainty, these were well organized groups who took the opportunity to connect and catch-up with their mates virtually. We knew it would not be a reunion like all the others, but we took advantage of the combined event to plan for joint hospitality rooms, 'extra-curricular' events and tours to augment the banquet/social and hockey events planned by the College and SAGA. The chairs and I share disappointment in the cancellation caused by pandemic.

As of December 27, 2021, these were our statistics – I am including them here, just for the record and.... because I like statistics.

| Class year (Decade) | Registrants (#) |
|------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1950 - 1959 | 1 |
| 1960 - 1969 | 22 |
| 1970-1979 | 18 |
| 1980-1989 | 42 |
| 1990-1999 | 6 |
| 2000-2022 | 16 |
| Guests and Unspecified years | 87 |
| TOTAL Banquet | 192 |
| Mixer | 6 |
| TOTAL advance tickets | 198 |
| Refunds | 12 |
| Balance (21-12-21) | 186 |

I want to give a shout-out to the College of Agriculture and Bioresources alumni office. Hamish Tulloch and Miren Luczka offer us great collaboration and their office is a valuable resource for chairpersons looking for “lost” classmates. Thanks so much.

A few years back, we began offering online ticket purchases. This was a huge improvement because reunion chairs no longer had to order, collect and pay for the tickets for their years. Overall, the website online ticket sales worked well again this year, And though we didn’t expect to use it for reimbursements, it turns out we can, which takes all the pressure off the reunion chairs too.

Isn’t our SAGA website impressive? In addition to being a way to contact SAGA members, it has newsletters showing the past reunion contacts, which I found to be a big help when looking for folks to assist with these two events. Also impressive is that the chairs themselves have maintained personal contact lists and are passing these from year to year to the next chairperson. Sincere appreciation goes out to all the contacts who worked on this year's combined reunionactivities.

Submitted by Deanne Belisle 79C

Presented verbally at meeting:

The years/chairs are very well organized and Deanne appreciated it. They have done a good job of tuning up contact lists and are in good shape if we decide to do an alternate event.

I) President’s Report – Jason Fradette

In my 2021 President AGM report I noted:

“we were not aware that a pandemic would come to impact SAGA activities this year (2020). Overall many events and typical SAGA activities were affected including this 2021 Annual General meeting which is being held virtually, and our 2021 reunion being postponed to next year. “

I could end this report right here and say this year ended up much the same way, but that would be overlooking a lot of the work of the SAGA Executive in 2021.

This year we faced the question - are SAGA members comfortable with resuming activities, especially the face-to-face reunion? As pandemic restrictions started lifting this summer the Executive considered SAGA members input, as well as input from TCU Place and the College of Agriculture and Bioresources indicating a return to more normal activities in 2022.

In September the Reunion and Banquet were booked and class chairs in place to have double the number of graduation years in attendance. Health protocols, such as proof of vaccination were to be required.

The new Covid variant emerged just as we started ticket sales, and it was no surprise that sales were reduced. By December it was evident that we could not go ahead with our annual event and the decision was taken to cancel for 2022. There is now a need to look into options including a summer event or a larger 2023 reunion.

So as President in 2021 I have not been able to attend events as would normally be the case including missing the opportunity to address the Honour years at the Banquet. I was able to record a video message on behalf of SAGA which was part of the ASA virtual graduation this spring, however Bean Feed and fund raising events with the ASA could not take place in person.

However during 2021 other SAGA activity continued. Our meetings are now all virtual, which has the benefit of better accommodating executive members outside of Saskatoon. These last couple of years has emphasized that SAGA's efforts on the newsletter, the website, and social media are all important tools to allow grads to stay connected and we need to ensure these can continue.

Also we need to continue the work started in the past several years to connect SAGA with the students and the Agriculture Students Association. While it's difficult for the ASA to hold events right now we will need to look forward to bringing SAGA support for these as soon as allowable. Our scholarship is one tool that we need to grow and continue. And recently we started a discussion on SAGA sponsorship of student academic activities which may afford us another tool in maintaining connections with undergrads.

We are hearing from a lot of members that maybe some alternatives or options to the January reunion weekend need to be considered. There are suggestions that the event will need to be different in the future to appeal to more grads, and suggestions that we think about a summer option that may allow for an outdoor gathering. With our recent cancellations of the reunions, 2022 may be the year to test out some of these options

So I would like to recognize the work of our executive in 2021, they kept everything moving and probably did more planning and work on our cancelled events than would have been done normally. We're all hoping that the next year will see a return to more typical SAGA activity.

Thanks for allowing me a second year in the president chair, it's been two interesting years.

Jason Fradette C` 84

Presented verbally at meeting:

- Jason noted that he is impressed with the connection of SAGA with the ASA and we need that to continue.
- One lesson we have learned is that virtual has worked well and may allow others to join.
- We are looking for ideas on alternate events.

MOTION: Accept reports: Mayson Maerz / Blair Cummins- **CARRIED**

7. New Business

Summer Event or very large 2023 Event

Discussion at meeting:

- Is there a venue in Saskatoon that we could set up at?
- Forest Farm
- In conjunction with Ag in Motion
- WDM
- University

Would we like to try a summer event, is there enough interest in a summer reunion? It would be a little less formal, might involve food etc, expecting that classes would have their own hospitality event but this would be a place for all to gather.

Suggestion: model it after a Family Reunion, need to have some definite options before doing a canvass of the groups

If we do a large 2023 Reunion will we do specific years?

Question: Do we need to build something new, we already have a successful reunion?

Task for the Executive to decide: Group realizes that all choices (Summer Event or not, large 2023 event) have implications

8. Election/ Approval of Executive for 2022

MOTIONS:

Nominate John Hauer for the position of Vice-President. Eric Johnson/Ewald Lammerding - **CARRIED**

Nominate Deanne Belisle for the position of President – Bryan Harvey/Irene Ahner - **CARRIED**

The proposed Executive for 2022 is as follows:

| | |
|---------------------------------|---|
| President | Deanne Belisle '79C |
| Honorary President | Gratton O'Grady '69C |
| Past President | Jason Fradette '84C |
| Vice President | John Hauer 84'C |
| Secretary | Raelene Petracek '86C |
| Treasurer | Morley Ayars '75C |
| College Development Coordinator | Hamish Tulloch '91C |
| Sask. Ag Hall of Fame | Bryan Harvey '60C |
| Newsletter Editor | Ewald Lammerding '88S |
| Membership | Henry de Goojier, '83C |
| Website | Ward Headrick '89C |
| Crop Production Week | Jo Anne Relf-Eckstein '85C |
| Banquet/Mixer | Ewald Lammerding '88S |
| Hockey | Chay Anderson '14C |
| Social Media | Louis Bossaer '95C/Mason Maerz '83C |
| ASA – SAGA Liason | rep appointed by ASA |
| Members at Large | Irene Ahner '65C Blair Cummins '77S Adam Ornawka '04C |

MOTION: To approve the Executive slate as presented. Ewald Lammerding/ Ward Headrick – **CARRIED**

9. Other Items

none

10. Adjournment

8:33 - Deanne Belisle

Attachment: Financial Statement

In conducting the compilation I reviewed each expenditure line as there are relatively few such entries. I did not review each revenue item as there are many more such entries. I reviewed several individual revenue items, comparing the entry on the appropriate spreadsheet to the underlying document. I found no errors.

I have made relatively few changes to the operating statement, these changes are:

During the 2018/2019 year there two deposits made which equaled a total of \$320.00 The source of the deposits were four banquet tickets for the 2020 banquet and a one year membership. The revenue from the sale of the banquet tickets relates to activity during the 2019/2020 year and therefore should be included as income during that year. I therefore increased revenue during 2019/2020 by \$300.00 Income category 4c – "Banquet and Mixer"

Previous year and the 2019/2020 as presented did not include income generated by the increased value of the BMO Growth Fund. I have included an amount equal to \$2,317.80 Category 6 "Interest" Previously the income generated by the investment has been accounted for in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. One of the reasons for including the item in the Income Statement, in addition to bringing the statements closer to being in line with GAAP, is the current Treasurers intention to use an off the shelf accounting package beginning in 2020/2021. It is almost certain that such a program will be designed such that all financial statements are in balance.

Cheque #526 is for a deposit on the 2021 banquet. As presented this was included as an expense for 2019/2020. This is in fact an expense for the 2020/2021 year.

Cheque #528 and #532 were not included in the statement as presented. I therefore increased expense by \$1,064.24. Category 16b – "website"

During the year, there were four copies of the book "The Sodbusters Vision". These books are included in inventory at a value of \$11.74 each. I therefore added \$46.96 to expenses.

Cheque # 538 – payable to U of S for Vern Racz Scholarship was not included in statement as presented. I added to expense – category 18g – miscellaneous. You may want to re-categorize this.

The total of changes is Income increased by \$300 and Expenses increased by \$111.20

Net change therefore is \$188.80

I have updated Statement of Assets and Liabilities to reflect the above.

I have also prepared one additional statement – Sources and Uses of Funds- you may or may not find this useful.

I also note that cheque # 538, to U of S for Vern Racz scholarship, Cheque #537 to Canada Post and Cheque #536 to Crop Production show are not dated. I don't think much hinges on this but it would be better to properly date all cheques

I also notice that in the material you provided to me there is a printout from a Government of Canada web site. This printout includes the following for Corporations with Gross annual revenues of less than \$50,000 "*Members must appoint a public accountant(PA) at each annual meeting. Exception – Members may wave appointment by annual unanimous resolution. (If no PA (Public accountant) is appointed, then only a compilation is necessary.)*" - I made a fairly superficial review of minutes and could find no such resolution.

Sources and Uses Of Funds - SAGA - for the year 2019/2020

| | | |
|--|----|-----------|
| Beginning Cash | \$ | 13,431.72 |
| Net Income | \$ | 4,400.98 |
| Changes to Assets and Liabilities | | |
| Pre paid banquet expense | | -1500 |
| Reduction in inventory (The Sodbusters Vision) | \$ | 46.96 |
| Reduction in liability (pre paid banquet ticket) | | -300 |
| | | -1753.04 |
| Net Cash by Operations | \$ | 2,647.94 |
| Cash generated (used) by financing activities | | |
| Increased value of BMO Mutual fund | | -2317.8 |
| Ending Cash | \$ | 13,761.86 |

Entity No. 205879

Name of Corporation

Saskatchewan Agricultural Graduates' Association Inc.

Income Statement 2019-11-01 to 2020-10-31

| | | (Current Year) | (Prior Year) |
|------------------------|--|----------------|--------------|
| | | 2019-2020 | 2018-2019 |
| <u>REVENUES</u> | (Includes revenue for which payment has not yet been received) | | |
| 1 | Membership Fees | \$ 3,420.00 | \$ 2,450.00 |
| 2 | Grants | | \$ - |
| 3 | Donations | | \$ - |
| 4 | Fundraising \$ 24,263.35 | | \$ - |
| 4a | Hockey | \$ 470.00 | |
| 4b | | | |
| 4c | Banquet & Mixer | \$ 23,793.35 | \$ 29,995.50 |
| 4d | Banquet & Mixer at Reunion Night | \$ 555.00 | |
| 5 | Other Receipts Ag in Motion | | \$ 100.00 |
| 5a | Professional Development | | \$ - |
| 5b | Newsletter Subscription | | \$ - |
| 5c | Website/Newsletter Ads | \$ 1,300.00 | \$ 800.00 |
| 5d | Sales of "The Sodbusters Vision" Book | \$ 145.00 | \$ 355.00 |
| 6 | Interest (increase in value of mutual fund) | \$ 2,317.80 | |
| 7 | Total Revenue for the Year | \$ 32,001.15 | \$ 33,700.50 |

EXPENSES (Includes expenses for which payment has not yet been made)

| | | | |
|-----|--|--------------|--------------|
| 8 | Personnel Costs (Salaries, etc) | | \$ - |
| 9 | Taxes & Licences (Corporate Registry) | \$ 15.00 | \$ 15.00 |
| 10 | Lease or Rental Costs | | \$ - |
| 11 | Utilities | | \$ - |
| 12 | Insurance | | \$ - |
| 13 | Repairs & Maintenance | | \$ - |
| 14 | Office Supplies & Postage | | \$ 26.78 |
| 15 | Bank Charges (including Moneris charges) | \$ 1,218.48 | \$ 1,221.57 |
| 16 | Communication to Members | | |
| 16a | Newsletter (publication & Mailing) | \$ 3,884.72 | \$ 3,856.67 |
| 16b | Website | \$ 1,064.24 | \$ 4,942.90 |
| 17 | Social Functions | | \$ - |
| 17a | Hockey (See shown above in revenue) | \$ 72.79 | \$ - |
| 17b | | | \$ - |
| 17c | Banquet & Mixer | \$ 20,247.98 | \$ 23,547.54 |
| 18 | Misc: Visa deduction, | | \$ 207.30 |
| 18a | ASA | \$ 200.00 | \$ 200.00 |
| 18b | Professional Development-students | | \$ 785.27 |
| 18c | Crop Production Week Membership | \$ 250.00 | \$ 250.00 |
| 18d | Sask Ag Hall of Fame | \$ 100.00 | |
| 18e | President Portrait | \$ - | |
| 18f | Other, "The Sodbusters Vision" Book | \$ 46.96 | \$ 22.01 |
| 18g | Other Misc Brochures | | \$ 333.00 |
| | Vern Racz scholarship | \$ 500.00 | |
| 19 | Total Expenses for the Year | \$27,600.17 | \$35,408.04 |

Net Surplus for the Year ** \$ 4,400.98 -\$ 1,707.54

** Previous year Net Surplus Excludes Income generated by Mutual fund

Name of Corporation Saskatchewan Agricultural Graduates' Association Inc.

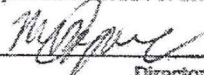
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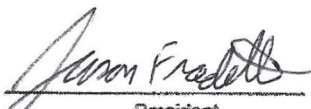
Statement of Assets & Liabilities at Oct 31, 2020 With Comparative Figures for 2019-2019

| <u>Assets</u> | | 2019-2020 (Current Year) | 2018-2019 (Prior Year) |
|--------------------------|---|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 | <u>Cash</u> | | |
| | cash on hand | \$ - | \$ - |
| | cash in bank | \$ 14,557.29 | \$ 13,624.03 |
| | less outstanding cheques | \$ 805.43 | \$ 192.31 |
| | <u>Total Cash</u> | \$ 13,751.86 | \$ 13,431.72 |
| 1b | Pre paid Expenses - deposit on 2021 Banquet | \$ - | \$ 1,500.00 |
| 2 | <u>Term Deposits</u> | \$ - | \$ - |
| 3 | <u>Receivables (specify)</u> | \$ - | \$ - |
| 4 | <u>Other Current Assets (Specify)</u> | | |
| | Investments (Mutual Fund) | \$ 56,340.45 | \$ 54,022.65 |
| 5 | <u>Fixed Assets</u> | | |
| | Land | \$ - | \$ - |
| | buildings (cost less depreciation) | \$ - | \$ - |
| | equipment (cost less depreciation) | \$ - | \$ - |
| | other <u>None</u> | \$ - | \$ - |
| 6 | <u>Other Assets</u> <u>None</u> | \$ - | \$ - |
| | 118 copies of "The Sodbusters Vision" Book @ \$11.74 ea | \$ 1,385.32 | \$ 1,432.28 |
| 7 | <u>Total Assets</u> <u>Cash & Investments</u> | \$ 72,987.63 | \$ 68,886.65 |
| <u>Liabilities</u> | | | |
| 8 | <u>Accounts Payable</u> | \$ - | \$ - |
| 9 | <u>Other Current Liabilities</u> | | |
| | <u>None</u> | \$ - | \$ 300.00 |
| 10 | <u>Loans</u> | \$ - | \$ - |
| 11 | <u>Other Long Term Liabilities (Specify)</u> | | |
| | <u>None</u> | \$ - | \$ - |
| | <u>Total Liabilities</u> | \$ - | \$ 300.00 |
| <u>Surplus (Deficit)</u> | | | |
| 12 | <u>Balance Forward from previous year</u> | \$ 68,586.65 | |
| | <u>Current Year Surplus (Deficit)</u> | \$ 4,400.98 | |
| | <u>Balance at End of Year</u> | \$ 72,987.63 | |
| 13 | <u>Total Liabilities & Surplus</u> | \$ 72,987.63 | \$ 68,886.65 |


(Note: Line 7 must equal line 13)

Approved on behalf of the Board of Directors:


Director
Morley Ayars BSA 1975, Treasurer


President
Jason Fradette BSA 1984

Compilation by:


Paul Marciniak BSA 80

Date

Dec 29, 2020