

## **SAGA Executive meeting December 1, 2000**

Blair calls the meeting to order

Dave Norris moves to adopt the agenda, Kevin Dow seconds.

Jim Vancha moves to adopt the minutes of the October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2000 meeting, Bob Dodds seconds.

### **Business not in the minutes:**

Bob Brack provided informational brochures on the Saskatchewan Agricultural Hall of Fame and the procedure for nominations. Bob suggests Les Henry and Brian Harvey. Reports that there are 6 past presidents and 30 honorary lifetime members from SAGA in the Hall of Fame. To date a total of 165 inducted into the Hall of Fame. Blair reports that Ewald will be organizing an Awards Committee meeting in the next week and to have any suggestions to Ewald as soon as possible.

### **Treasurers Report:**

Mike Turley reports that there is 3759.00 in the checking account, 54, 800.00 in savings for a total of 58, 500.00. Mike Turley moves to adopt the treasurer's report, Bob Brack seconds.

### **Correspondence:**

Letter from Official Opposition (Adrienne Batra) initiating a meeting with SAGA. Executive decides to send them a letter inviting them to this year's Annual Meeting and Banquet. Kari will draft and send the letter.

SAGA (Blair) will talk to Richard regarding the draw for the reunion weekend for lifetime members. Blair to reserve a room at the Saskatoon Inn. Mike Turley motions that SAGA cut a check for the total amount rather than worry about tickets and entry for each event.

### **Registrar Report:**

Richard Bellamy reports that there are:  
46 Honorary life-time members  
1859 Life-time members  
116 Annual members

### **Mixer:**

Jim Vancha spoke with Judy at the Saskatoon Inn – everything is set and in order. Reports that Judy suggested sending some bartenders home (when things slow down) rather than cutting back on the number of bars all together. The number of food trays will be cut back.

### **Banquet:**

No Report. Blair to contact Brain Zwaan regarding the details.

**Curling:**

Kevin Dow reports that the ice is booked and that he is in the process of getting prizes and putting up posters in the Ag lounges.

**Hockey:**

Dave Norris reports that the ice and refs have been booked and the deposit has been paid. Reports that the ice-time for Sunday has been cancelled but that people will still be guaranteed 3 games (competitive) and 2 games (non-competitive). The price is \$600 (competitive) and \$400 (non- competitive). Reports that they are trying to get a girls team together and maybe incorporate it into the non-competitive stream.

**Newsletter:**

Jack Braidek reports that the next newsletter will be mailed December 5 or 6<sup>th</sup>, 2000. Reports that the April issue of next year will be his 10<sup>th</sup> year as editor and that the December issue of 2001 will be his last – Jack will resign as editor at that time. Sales of “Forever Young” have slowed down. Jack would like to see SAGA market the history book quite heavily during the reunion weekend. Book will be sold at the both Mixer and the Banquet. Jack will be approaching people from various communities to approach and sell the history books. He suggests a reunion weekend special price (\$5.00 off) to attract sales. Jim Vancha suggests having books at the hockey and curling rinks. Bob Brack suggests having them at the Annual Meeting.

**Advisory Council:**

Blair reports that the College of Agriculture’s “Partners in Agriculture” meeting brought out 40 people. Blair went in Bill Cooper’s place for the two-day meeting. Reports that the two-day meeting was spent answering four questions put forth by the Dean’s office.

**Alumni Report:**

Fred Fulton reports that the “Barn Raisers” fundraising should involve all alumni and not just a SAGA alumni.

**Presidents Report:**

Blair reports that Ewald is having an Awards Committee meeting and that he would like suggestions for Honorary Lifetime members in to him as soon as possible. Reports that the Annual Meeting format is set. Reports that the Debate question has been determined and that debaters are being selected and approached.

**Pro Side:**

Clayton Jackson  
Jim Robbins  
David Orchard

Con Side:

Bill Boyd

Bill Cooper

Kevin Hersch

The sub-committee is going to approach Glen Haas to moderate the debate. An Agenda of the event will be available at the next meeting.

Blair asks the executive to reconsider the venue of the Annual General meeting. The sub-committee tried to arrange something at the Prairieland Exhibition grounds for this year but that it was too late to get a decent room. Reports that Prairieland would like to accommodate SAGA next year.

Jack Braidek suggests re-thinking the venue for the reunion weekend banquet, mixer etc. Jim Vancha suggests having the Mixer in the Ag Building Atrium. Blair asks the executive to think about possible venues and to bring them to the next meeting.

Blair reports that the first draft of the Stone Barn proposal being done by the MBA students is complete (is available from Blair if any members would like to see it). Reports that the project proposal is going to cost the MBA students around \$2000.00 and that he suspects SAGA will be asked to pay for this. A final draft of the proposal will be available at a later date.

**Other Business:**

Jim Vancha asks the executive to consider making a donation to "Friends of the Huskies". Jim will bring the letter to the next meeting. Blair asks to put it on the next meeting agenda and the executive can decide at that time.

Bob Dodds moves to adjourn the meeting, Bob Brack seconds.