

**SAGA Executive Meeting
Minutes of November 1, 2007
Room 2D21 Agriculture Building**

Present: Ken Sapsford, Jim Bessel, Judy MacMillan, Hugh Beckie, Richard Bellamy, Lisa Horn, Sandy Russell, Jim Russell, Bob McKercher, Fred Fulton, Bernie Sonntag, Stephanie Dreger, Mayson Maerz, Les Henry & Teri Ife

Regrets: Kathy Vancha, Chelsea Bulani, Stephanie Huber, Michelle Gallucci, Virginia Peters, Mark Kuchuran, Juanit Polegi

Absent: Glen Hass, David Hryhor, Frank Dunlop, Steve Cuddington, Larry White & Melissa Stuart

1) Call to Order: 7:05p.m. by K. Sapsford

2) Agenda:

Motion by: L. Horn - To Adopt Agenda

Seconded by: J. Bessel **Carried**

Thank-you, to R. Bellamy for bring our coffee break snacks.

3) Minutes of October 3, 2007 – read by T. Ife

Motion by: S. Russell – To move minutes of October 3, 2007 be adopted as presented.

Seconded by: J. Bessel **Carried**

4) Business Arising from the Minutes:

NONE

5) Financial Report – presented by H. Beckie

Chequeing Account is \$ 7,591.71
Investments are \$ 40,504.66

All SK Justice issues have been resolved. H. Beckie will have the 2006/2007 financial statement ready for our December meeting.

Question: Do we pay P.S.T.? Answered by K. Sapsford, yes we do pay both PST & GST

Motion by: H. Beckie – To move the financial report as presented.

Seconded by: B. McKercher **Carried**

6) Correspondence – presented by K. Sapsford

K. Sapsford has received a letter from Sask Justice Department that 2006/2007 Financial Report is due. Forwarding to H. Beckie.

No other new correspondence at this time.

7) Committee Reports:

a) ASA –S. Dreger

- AG BAG DRAG was held at TCU Place on October 26, 2007, 793 tickets sold and filled TCU Place. Very happy with the turn out.
- Christie Beggs final challenge was on the Friday of Drag, October 26 and she was made an honorary Agro and was presented by the ASA with an Agro jersey.
- On October 28, the Agriculture students had some tours with local businesses, thanks to FCL and L. Horn who toured 5 students and to Philom Bios who toured 10 students.
- October 10, was the United Way Blitz and the students raised \$1,158.11.
- Blood Drive was held on October 22, with 22 students giving blood.
- As a fundraiser for Breast Cancer the ASA brought in Marvel College to clean up the Agros after Drag and had haircuts and leg waxing done in the lounge. For \$150.00 donation the ASA President and the External Social Rep had their legs waxed. Raising \$956.00 for Breast Cancer.
- K. Sapsford & J. Bessel attended the ASA Executive meeting on Monday, October 8, 2007 at the Travelodge, 8:30 p.m., and felt they had a good meeting with the ASA Executive as it is good to develop these relationships.
- K. Sapsford has a suggestion that SAGA host a Beer & Wing Night for the Agriculture College Graduates in February.

b) Registrar- R. Bellamy

- Nothing to Report

c) Membership – K. Vancha & C. Bulani (absent)

- Nothing to report at this time.

d) Reunion – J. Bessel

- J. Bessel is sending out a letter to all the reunion chairpersons with detailed information of the SAGA weekend as he has had a lot of telephone calls asking questions and looking for clarification on the weekend. J. Bessel also intends to submit a summarized copy to the newsletter for the December issue. J. Bessel will also forward a copy of the letter for T. Ife to submit with the minutes.
- Checking with Sue Hicks from Alumni to see if they will assist with a mass mail out to all former grads in regards to the upcoming reunion. K. Sapsford will prepare a letter to be sent out to all current year reunion groups.

e) Mixer – S. Russel, & J. Russel

- Planning for casino night and has been in touch with Handyman Rental Special Events for renting the necessary games and equipment for the evening.
- Permit for the bar needs to be obtained by January 3, 2008, next meeting will have a list of what is needed for support from the SAGA and ASA Executives.

f) Banquet – L.Horn

- Not much currently going on or to report. S. Huber & L. Horn are working on the details.

g) Curling - V. Peters

- Nothing to report at this time.

h) Hockey – M. Kuchuran forwarded a report to K. Sapsford to present

- Hockey has been booked at the Aberdeen Arena for Saturday, January 5, 2008. The cost will be approximately \$1620.00 for ice rental, which is about 6 teams at \$30.00 per player each team needs 9 players to break even.

i) Newsletter- B. Sonntag

- November 15, 2007 is the deadline for the December issue.
- There have been lots of contributions to the newsletter it looks very good the MAL's have sent in information to the Newsletter.
- M. Maerz 415 email addresses we emailed out the newsletter, a few people had trouble with the dial up download there are still a few kinks to work out but it is starting to come together.

j) Obtaining Financial Stability – J. Bessel

- J. Bessel has had two responses to the letters he sent out, one from the SK Flax Growers and they are unable to support us at this time, the second from the Dairy Farmers of SK with a onetime contribution of \$100.00, they have asked the we send them an invoice, J. Bessel will be in contact with H. Beckie to get this request underway.

k) Constitution Review – K. Sapsford, J. MacMillan & B. McKercher

- K. Sapsford distributed a copy of the suggested changes for the entire executive to review; a copy will be attached in the minutes. Most of the changes are just basic housekeeping issues, T. Ife has been asked to put a notice in the newsletter that there are proposed changes to the constitution and R. Bellamy will forward a copy of the changes to those requesting one prior to the Annual Meeting in January.

Motion by : B. McKercher -To move these proposed changes be approved by the SAGA Executive and brought forward at the Annual Meeting, January 5, 2008

Seconded by: L. Henry

Carried

l) Alumni – F. Fulton

- Nothing to report at this time.

m) Hall of Fame – B. McKercher

- SK Agriculture Hall of Fame, had 5 inductees for August 2008, one is an Agriculture Graduate the official announcement of names are to be made at Agribition in Regina. There are no fee changes being recommended.

n) Crop Production Week – L. Henry

- The Wednesday of Crop Production will be a meeting on Transportation in the Agriculture Industry it is not specific to any group.

o) MAL- J. Polegi, L. White, I. Ahner & M. Stuart

- None present no report.

p) College Development Officer - M. Gallucci absent.

- Nothing to report at this time.

r) Honorary Life Members – J. MacMillan

- J. MacMillan announced the Honorary Life Members for 2008 will be Les Henry 64C & Alex Kennedy 82S

Motion by : J. MacMillan – The Honorary Life Selection Committee has recommended to the AGM that Les Henry & Alex Kennedy receive an Honorary Life Membership Award
Seconded by: B. McKercher **Carried**

q) President's Report – K. Sapsford

- Attended a meeting for the search committee for a New Dean of Agriculture and they have hired a company to assist with this hiring process. If anyone has a person who is appropriate please forward your suggestion to Peter McKinnon, they are closing the search for names in January 2008.
- Suggestion is to put a copy of this request in the newsletter, once they have obtained a short list The candidates will make a presentation to the college K. Sapsford will inform the SAGA Executive once this is in place so that they can attend the presentations if they so choose
- K. Sapsford is still working on the Past Presidents photos there is a delay at this time due to the strike and may not be able to retrieve the frame until after the strike. He will continue to work on this and get things updated when this is settled.
- K. Sapsford and J. Bessel have an appointment with the Dean of the College of Agriculture and Bio Resources on Friday November 9, 2007 some topics in which they intend to discuss are Diploma Review, the Dean Selections and also at this time invite the Dean to the SAGA Reunion Banquet.

Motion by: J. Bessel -To move the committee reports as accepted.
Seconded by: F. Fulton **Carried**

9) Other Business

- All SAGA Members are invited to the ASA Annual Bean Feed on November 16, 2007 at TCU Place, tickets are available at the Dean's office 966-4056 guest speaker is Dr. John Stewart
- Are we able to move the next SAGA meeting ahead a day due to the conflict of the SIA Branch Meeting

being held the same night. T. Ife will look into moving the next SAGA meeting to Wednesday, December 5, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by : ALL -To move the meeting for adjournment.

Seconded by: ALL Carried

Next Meeting: Wednesday December 5, 2007, 7:00 p.m. 2D21 Agriculture Bldg

Adjourn: 9:40 p.m.

Secretary Signature



Teri Ife

President's Signature

Ken Sapsford

Attachments: SAGA Meeting Attendance Sheet
Reunion Update Newsletters for all Reunion Chairpersons
SAGA Constitution Proposed Changes Review
SAGA Awards Committee Meeting Report

ACTION ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

ACTION TAKEN BY	ACTION TO BE TAKEN	ACTION COMPLETED
ALL COMMITTEES	Submit information to the newsletter for the November 15 deadline.	YES or NO
K. Sapsford & J. MacMillan	Look into updating the SAGA Presidents photographs.	YES or NO

SAGA Executive Meeting Attendance Sheet

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Thursday - November 1, 2007

Please sign your signature across from your name. Thank-You!

Glen Hass

Ken Sapsford

Teri Ife

Kathy Vancha

Richard Bellamy

Lisa Horn

Jim Russell

Bob McKercher

Bernie Sonntag

Michelle Gallucci

Virgina Peters

Steve Cuddington

Les Henry

Larry White

Judy MacMillan

Jim Bessel

Hugh Beckie

Chelsea Bulani

Stephanie Huber

Sandy Russell

David Hryhor

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