

**SAGA Executive Meeting  
2008 Committee Chairpersons  
Minutes of April 10, 2008  
Room 2D21 Agriculture Building**

**Present:** Glen Hass, Jim Bessel, Teri Ife, Hugh Beckie, Chelsea Bulani, Vern Racz, Lisa Horn, Shelagh Steckler, David Hryhor, Derek Wilfing, Bob McKercher, Ewald Lammerding, Virginia Peters, Mayson Maerz, Les Henry, Richard Bellamy

**Regrets:** Ken Sapford, Carl Lynn, Brian Harvey, Bernie Sonntag, Juanita Polegi, Larry White

**Absent:** Louie Bossaer, Michelle Gallucci, Stephanie Dreger, Mark Kuchuran, Irene Ahner

**1) Call to Order:** 7:05 p.m. by J. Bessel

Presentation to the Executive by "The Webstation" in regards to a website proposal for the opportunities for SAGA by Dave Sullivan and Dana Stoughton

**2) Agenda:**

**Motion by:** D. Hryhor - To Adopt Agenda

**Seconded by:** C. Bulani **Carried**

**3) Minutes of February 4, 2008**

**Motion by:** H. Beckie – To move minutes of February 4, 2008 be adopted as presented.

**Seconded by:** V. Peters **Carried**

**4) Financial Report - H. Beckie**

Current standing of our chequing account is: \$12,034.83. Our investments are down slightly to \$ 37,975.06 due to current market movement.

**Motion by:** G. Hass – To move that the Financial Report be adopted as presented.

**Seconded by:** R. Bellamy **Carried**

**5) Correspondence:**

NONE

**6) Committee Reports:**

**a) ASA – absent due to exams.**

Stephanie did stop by the meeting briefly to introduce the new incoming ASA Representative, Leah Berscheid.

**Motion by:** L. Henry – For J. Bessel to write a letter of “Thanks” to Stephanie for the outstanding job she did this year with representing the ASA and working hard to keep the ASA and SAGA working together! Good Job Stephanie – Best wishes to you!

**Seconded by:** L. Horn

**Carried**

**b) Registrar – presented by R. Bellamy**

As of March 27, 2008 we have the following membership numbers:

- 49 Honoree Lifetime Members
- 72 Annual Memberships
- 1829 Lifetime Memberships
- 84 Members with no addresses
- 2 Memberships with address updates received.

R. Bellamy suggests putting these 84 missing members' names in the next SAGA Newsletter to see if we can try find some current contact information on these “missing members”.

M. Maerz will email out a list to the Executive to see if there are names that are familiar to any of us.

M. Maerz also shared how he has been building the SAGA database and we currently have a total of 828 working email addresses. There has been some issues with getting the email database to run smoothly, such as email addresses not up to date therefore making mailings undeliverable. M. Maerz is interested in sitting on the Website committee to have input on the issues he has been dealing with and to see if we can get suggestions on resolutions of these issues.

M. Maerz is on side with the website proposal and feels establishment of a website has a lot of advantages to our organization.

**c) Membership – presented by C. Bulani & V. Racz**

Beer night not successful – no attendance by the ASA, timing was bad due to other activities and exam schedule. Rodeo's a good venue to work with and will need to look at planning something for the fall.

The Dean has inquired about the Nutrition breaks; they seemed to be well received in his opinion and may be a good thing to do again in the new school year.

**d) Reunion – presented by C. Lynn**

Working on getting all of the chairpersons lined up. L. Henry offered to help out with some names of possible contacts if Carl is needing suggestions.

**e) Mixer – presented by D. Hryhor & D. Wilfing**

Not a lot to report at this time. Currently, looking for prizes and sponsors etc for the silent auction items.

**f) Banquet – presented by L. Horn & S. Steckler**

TCU Place is booked.

L. Horn requests that when C. Lynn meets with J. Bessel and K. Sapsford that she also be included as there has been a few changes that she would like them to be aware of.

Suggestion to the Banquet committee to consider having cocktails at around 4:00 p.m. and the meal at 6:00 p.m. to allow for some time for visiting.

**g) Curling – presented by V. Peterson**

The Granite Curling Club has been booked for January 10 & 11, 2009.

**h) Hockey – M. Kuchuran absent**

No report at this time.

M. Kuchuran sends a message that Gerrit Baan C'01 is also coming on the SAGA Executive as a Hockey Committee Chairperson. G. Baan contact number 291-7487 .

**i) Newsletter – B. Sonntag absent E. Lammerding present**

E. Lammerding reports that on Monday, April 14, 2008 the Abilities Council will have the Newsletter ready to mail. M. Maerz will have the email version ready to go out on Friday, April 11, 2008.

Next SAGA Newsletter will be in September. Deadline for Fall submissions will be September 1, 2008. If you have reports or information for submission to the Newsletter forward to E. Lammerding for the month of April as B. Sonntag is away, after April forward to either of them.

**j) Alumni – B. Harvey absent**

No Report.

**k) Hall of Fame - presented by B. McKercher**

B. McKercher present, nothing to report at this time.

**l) Crop Production Week – presented by L. Henry**

Attendance is down. Just for our information there are a lot of issues and problems developing at The Saskatoon Inn there is no General Manager so no one is in charge and has caused a lot of problems for other groups we were not the only ones who had troubles. L. Henry offers this information as reassurance we all made a good decision to change venues.

**m) MAL**

None present, no report.

**n) College Development Officer – M. Gallucci**

Michelle absent, no report.

**o) President's Report – J. Bessel**

J. Bessel, brought up that one 1988 SAGA member wants to be reimbursed for banquet tickets, due to an error on their part with over purchasing the issue has addressed with this member. As we cannot reimburse for errors made when their reunion members do not show up.

Terry Zemulack photographer is missing, L. Horn has tried to contact and has no success. L. Horn and J. Bessel are looking into this issue.



A note from K. Sapsford that we need to change over our signing authority at the bank and it needs to be noted in the minutes.

**Motion: by V. Racz – To change the signing authority at the Bank of Montreal so that J. Bessel, our current President, C. Lynn, Vice President and H. Beckie, Treasurer are current signees for SAGA.**

Seconded by : **D. Wilfing**

**Carried**

**Action:** For J. Bessel, C. Lynn and H. Beckie to make the proper arrangements in order to change over signing authority at the Bank of Montreal

ACTION COMPLETED: Yes / No

Met with Graham Scoles to discuss the College and he informed us that there is 300 ASA students and 600 in the College . We need to look at including the other sectors of the college. Suggestion to plan an event and develop a strategy with the Membership committee for this fall.

SAGA could also be promoted in the "Agknowledge Magazine" distributed by the college, something to look into.

Dean Scoles would also like SAGA to extend an invitation to all the faculty and the amertis faculty to attend The SAGA banquet.

**Motion: by C. Bulani - To move the committee reports as presented.**

Seconded by : **D. Hryhor**

**Carried**

## **9) Other Business**

Discussion on the presentation from the Webstation in regards to the proposal of setting up a website for SAGA. What is needed to move forward?

**Motion: by L. Henry - To set up a sub-committee to discuss and review the options with the Website proposal.**

Seconded by : **V. Racz**

**Carried**

Setting up a volunteer sub-committee; volunteers so far are L. Horn, M. Maerz, H. Beckie, E. Lammerding, with C. Bulani offering to chair the committee, although may have to have a rotating chairperson due to C. Bulani schedule.

Suggestion to have a SAGA Executive meeting in May after the sub committee has reviewed and developed a proposal of the direction we would take. The Website Sub-committee is to meet prior to May 15, 2008 and have a proposal or outline forward to the remainder of the Executive prior to the May 22, 2008 meeting in which we will review and decide all together how we are going to move forward on this issue.

**Motion: by L. Horn - To move the meeting for adjournment.**

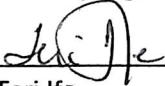
Seconded by: **D. Wilfing**

**Carried**

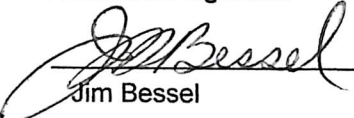
Next Meeting: May 22, 2008 – Thursday 7:00 p.m. 2D21 Agriculture Bldg

**Adjourn:** 9:30 p.m.

**Secretary Signature**

  
Teri Ife

**President's Signature**

  
Jim Bessel

Attachments: SAGA Meeting Attendance Sheet  
Website Proposal from The Webstation

# SAGA Executive Meeting Attendance Sheet

Thursday, April 10, 2008  
7:00 p.m. Room 2D21 Agriculture Building

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

Glen Hass

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Ken Sapsford

REGRETS

Jim Bessel

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Carl Lynn

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Teri Ife

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Hugh Beckie

Hugh Beckie

Chelsea Bulani

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Vern Racz

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Lisa Horn

Lisa Horn

Shelagh Steckler

Shelagh Steckler

David Hryhor

David Hryhor

Derek Wilfing

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Louie Bossaer

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Bob McKercher

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Brian Harvey

REGRETS

Bernie Sonntag

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Ewald Lammerding

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Michelle Gallucci

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Stephanie Dreger

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Virginia Peters

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Mayson Macrz

MW Macrz (abbrev.)

Mark Kurchuran

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Les Henry

Les Henry

Richard Bellamy

Richard Bellamy

Eric Johnson

REGRETS

Juanita Polegi

REGRETS

Larry White

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Irene Ahner

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