

**SAGA Executive Meeting  
2009 Committee Chairpersons  
Minutes of February 5, 2009  
Room 1E80 Agriculture Building**

**Present:** Glen Hass, Carl Lynn, Jim Bessel, Allan McDougald, Teri Ife, Vern Racz, Richard Bellamy, Lisa Horn, Shelagh Steckler, Louis Bossaer, Bob McKercher, Bernie Sonntag, Ewald Lammerding, Mark Wartman, Virginia Peters, Gerrit Baan.

**Regrets:** Ken Sapsford, Jeff Schoenau, Hugh Beckie, Derek Wilfing, Bryan Harvey, Mayson Maerz, Mark Kuchuran, Kara Fowler, Juanita Polegi, Les Henry, Larry White.

**Absent:** Chelsea Bulani, David Hryhor,

**1) Call to Order:** 7:09 p.m. by C. Lynn

**2) Introductions of the Incoming & Outgoing Saga Executive Members:** Welcome to all our new Executive members, we look forward to working with you. Thank-you very much to our Outgoing Executive members, your hard work and dedication to SAGA is greatly appreciated.

**3) Agenda:**

**Motion by: J. Bessel** - To adopt Agenda  
**Seconded by: E. Lammerding**      **Carried**

**4) Minutes of January 6, 2009**

**Motion by: B. McKercher** – To move minutes of January 6, 2009 be adopted as presented.  
**Seconded by: B. Sonntag**      **Carried**

**5) Financial Report - H. Beckie regrets report via email**

Currently our account balances are:

Chequing Account: \$ 26,325.32  
Less TCU payment of \$ 23,265.44  
Final Balance after payment: \$ 3,059.88

Investments: \$ 28,474.04

**Motion by: J. Bessel** – To move the Financial Report to be moved as presented, but also requesting a statement to be submitted for our next meeting with our Financial Status of Incoming Expenses.  
**Seconded by: L. Horn**      **Carried**

**6) Correspondence – None**

**7) Committee Reports:**

**a) ASA – K. Fowler regrets forward report via email and read by C. Lynn**

All ASA Members who worked at the SAGA Mixer had a great time.

The Sask Challenge Event went really well, thank you to all SAGA Executive who judged and were able to make it out.

The ASA Executive Auction is where we sell our ASA Executive members to raise funds for Telemiracle and to date we have raised \$2,375.00

ASA will be hosting a Telemiracle Ladies Night in the lounge on March 2<sup>nd</sup> everyone is welcome to attend it is from 7:00-9:00 p.m. it is a Purse and Beauty Party. A Silver collection will be at the door to raise money as well as several prizes to give away. If anyone has prizes to donate please contact myself at [kf958@mail.usask.ca](mailto:kf958@mail.usask.ca)

The Range team leaves on Sunday for Albuquerque to compete and write a range exam. They will be competing against two dozen other universities across North America.

**b) Registrar – R. Bellamy**

The new mailing address will be:

The SAGA  
College of Agriculture & Bioresources  
2D27– 51 Campus Drive  
Saskatoon, SK S7N 5A8

L. Horn has offered to make mailing labels and letterhead for R. Bellamy.

R. Bellamy requested that the Membership committee review those members that are in arrears and forward those members a letter and a remind of their SAGA membership fees.

**c) Membership – V. Racz**

Ag Challenge went very well.

Opportunities and Etiquette Night – organized and assisted by L. Horn. Opportunities night was a evening that gave helpful information to the students on resume writing, interview tips and etiquette. Horn has made a good suggestion that this may be a better way of getting SAGA working with the ASA and gives a value that SAGA can add to the Opportunities and Etiquette night.

Discussion on what should SAGA be planning for events to work on for this upcoming year.

Events outline:

September: Visibility at Blue Week set up a table and have information about SAGA  
October: Professional Development night  
January: Ag Challenge  
March: Letters to the 4<sup>th</sup> years inviting them to be a member of SAGA

**Motion by: V. Racz** – To send a letter to all the ASA graduates offering all grads Degree & Diploma a one year free membership to SAGA through the website.  
**Seconded by: J. Bessel**      **Carried**

**d) Reunion – presented by C. Lynn**

After discussion of what the need at TCU is for the Reunion groups, as some confusion with the room rentals.

**Motion by: J. Bessel** – L. Horn to construct a Reunion Package for the next meeting.  
**Seconded by: L. Bossaer**      **Carried**

**e) Mixer – D. Wilfing regrets and L. Bossaer present**

Thanks to Louis, Lisa and David especially. The summary of the expenses and balance can be seen on the excel file.

**Door/Membership**

The door moved well though I feel it could be improved. Some grad rooms I don't think paid their required amount in some rooms and we missed some people. When we requested to collect later there was some confusion and bad blood with our volunteers. On a special note there were 32 curling tickets and 9 hockey ticket reimbursed at the door. I think final attendance was

**Casino**

78 people turned their front door tickets to play at the casino. Some noted that there was confusion of how the tickets hand out at the door worked, I would recommend in the future that 2000 cash play money be offered at the door instead of the 2 tickets. Next year also I feel we should get sponsorship of cash towards a Texas Mickey Draw.

**Bar**

The bar ran well. The only issue is what to do with the heels of the left over liquor and open boxes of beer. I sold the rum to the 1969 class for \$110 and have to get the cheque to Hugh.

**Derek Wilfing**

**Motion by: J. Bessel** – A letter be written to all sponsors of the Mixer as a "Thank-you" for their support and sponsorship at the Mixer.  
**Seconded by: G. Baan**      **Carried**

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

SAGA Banquet was held on Sunday January 11, 2009. There were 426 paid grads and guests in attendance (actual number from TCU Place was 385). In 2008, there were 367. Estimating the attendance has always been a challenge. Reunion groups confirm their numbers, and then the committee estimates the number of grads that will purchase tickets the night of the Mixer.



The historical formula is 100 guests above the confirmed reunion group total. In 2009, there were 71 paid guests above the reunion total. In 2008, there were 50. The key to success of the banquet is firm numbers from the reunion year groups. Thanks to Carl for his hard work in collecting these numbers.

- add the net cost of the banquet.

Suggestions offered for the 2010 banquet included:

- Ticket price will have to increase, due to return to regular food cost (discounted in 2009)
- Tickets "put on hold" for pick up Sunday are only paid for 50% of the time. This does not work, and puts SAGA at risk as these tickets cannot be resold. The executive needs to discuss this issue again. At best, tickets could be held for pick up at Mixer until 9pm. Then they could be released back into the pool for resale.
- Expected expenses for setting up office and copying past minutes. But in 2010, consider replacing main reunion sign used by photographer.
- A spreadsheet needs to be created for the weekend events. Mixer and Banquet work together to include all costs of the weekend, and all revenue. Each event is separate, and then provided to the exec at the first meeting after the reunion weekend.
- A procedure needs to be set for making up the weekend deposit. (Proposed)

#### 1. Mixer

As money builds in the cash boxes, excess money needs to be removed into envelopes. The worker counts the money, the collector recounts. The amount is written on the envelope, and both parties sign the envelope seal. Treasurer to 'supervise and train workers' and be responsible for security – take money to safe, keep track of what is in the safe bags, and prepare deposit.

#### 2. Banquet

Tickets need to be counted out and supplied to the Vice President for reunion groups. Keep a summary of what tickets are given out, put on hold, and paid for. Tickets are sold the night of the Mixer, and a small number are paid for the night of the banquet. Count the cash and cheques, have a second party count. Put amount on envelope, and both parties sign the seal of the envelope.

#### 3. Reunion Years – Vice President

Reunion Years must confirm the number of tickets for the banquet by the last SAGA meeting prior to the Reunion Weekend. This is the number that MUST be paid for by Saturday night of the Mixer. A summary needs to be submitted to the Banquet committee showing how many tickets are required. The Banquet committee provides the tickets to the Vice President for the reunion groups. All tickets confirmed by the reunion groups must be paid for regardless of how many actually attend the banquet. A summary of ticket revenue needs to be submitted with the money for the tickets to help with the deposit.

#### 4. Curling and Hockey

Curling and Hockey must cover all costs (rink, trophies,) through team fees. When submitting deposit, a summary needs to be included showing all revenue and expenses incurred.

## 5. Reunion weekend Deposit

Procedure for preparing Deposits:

- All deposits to be collected from Mixer, Banquet, Reunion, Hockey and Curling by the end of Banquet on Sunday night – these committees need to assist Treasurer with deposit after the banquet – counting and taking to BMO
- Each envelope's contents needs to be verified and recorded. Revenue from each activity of the reunion must be recorded separately.
- Then all cash is combined, all cheques are combined, and one deposit is completed.
- A spreadsheet needs to be created for the weekend events. Mixer, Banquet, and Treasurer work together to include all costs of the weekend, and all revenue. Each event is separate, and then provided to the exec at the first meeting after the reunion weekend.

See attached Banquet Report for spreadsheet

### g) Curling – V. Peterson & E. Lammerding

The 2009 SAGA bonspiel was held at the Granite curling rink. There were 8 teams in the Hutcheon event and 8 teams in the regular event. Both the Hutcheon and Open event were divided into 2 pools. Each team played 2 games on Saturday and 1 on Sunday. Points per game were used and the top team from each of the 2 pools played the A final Sunday afternoon and the second place teams played the B final.

We received 7 annual memberships.

To raise a bit of money we ran 2 bottle draws, selling 50 squares @\$2/square. We made a profit of \$100.00. We also ran a 50/50 draw, bringing in \$137.00 (paying out half of \$68.50).

Financially there was a profit. The fees were \$100.00/team and \$15.00/student.

#### Income

16 teams – 15 teams @\$100/1 team @\$80	\$1580.00
50/50 draw and square draw	<u>\$ 168.50</u>
<b>Income</b>	<b>\$1748.50</b>

#### Expenses

Ice Rental-\$36/game x 28 games	\$1058.40
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**Engraving (trophies)**

	<u>\$ 31.82</u>
Expenses	<u>\$1090.22</u>

<b>Profit</b>	<b>\$ 658.28</b>
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There were 33 curlers that attended the mixer @\$10/mixer tickets =  $\frac{\$ 330.00}{\$ 328.28}$

Prizes were drawn for and each player received one of the prizes. They were donated by Biggar & District Credit Union, Rack Petroleum (Dennis Bulani, Biggar), Biggar Transport, Royal Bank (Biggar), Feudal Co-op (Perdue), Cam-Don Motors (Scott Weir, Perdue), Moody's Farm Equipment, Monsanto (Mayson Maertz), Broncos Western Wear, Western Sales (Biggar), Farm & Garden (Saskatoon), Prairie Malt (Biggar), Biggar Agencies/SGI (Biggar), True Value (Biggar), Viterra (Biggar), Perdue Oasis & Golf Course (Perdue), BASF (Mark Kuchuran), U of S (Mark Wartman), Custom Promotion & Awards (Saskatoon), Western Producer, Shamrock Seeds, BCS Material Handling (Clavet) and Bill Peters (Perdue).

**Winners:****Hutcheon**

Bernie Sonntag C62  
Ellwood Fleming C62  
Don Torrie S73  
Wayne Jensen S62

**A Event**

Bryan Nybo C86  
Tyler Friesen C96  
Kim Busch C83  
Chris Baan C00

**B Event Hutcheon**

Phil England C67  
John Hemstad C63  
Doug England C63  
Peter Kirychuk C62

**B Event**

Dave Edgar S79  
Sheryn Flynn  
Terence Flynn S79  
Laurie Edgar

**h) Hockey – M. Kuchuran & G. Baan**

8 teams were registered for hockey tournament. Aberdeen was a great rink to hold the tournament. ASA and Alumni involvement is pretty low. Overall the tournament made \$500.00.

Trophies are all engraved and up to date.

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

March 31, 2009 is the deadline for submissions.

Requested that L.Horn please forward a copy of the Honorary Life Citations for the newsletter.

Other reports to include in the newsletter are:

ASA report  
Presidents Report



Reports from all Reunion Years  
Curling  
Hockey  
Message from the New Dean  
Call for nominations for Honorary Life for 2010  
Alumni Nominations  
Financial Statement from the Annual Meeting

**j) Alumni – B. Harvey regrets**

Nothing to report.

**k) Hall of Fame - B. McKercher present**

Nothing to report.

**l) Crop Production Week – L. Henry regrets report via email**

Crop week 2009 was again a success. The meeting schedules are below. The special session was at Pararieland Park wed evening was well attended, although the number attending the beef on a bun supper was less than expected.

**CROP PRODUCTION WEEK - Saskatoon Inn unless stated otherwise**

Canadian Wheat Board- Friday, January 16

Canaryseed , Monday, January 12

Canola, Wednesday, Thursday, January 14 & 15

Flax, Monday, January 12

Fruit Growers, Friday and Saturday , January 16 & 17 , Heritage Inn-across road from Saskatoon Inn

Mustard, Wednesday, January 14

Oats, Tuesday, January 13

Pulse, Monday January 12 ( Evening only)

and Tuesday , January 13 with live feed to Prairieland Park

Sask Ag Grads Assoc., Saturday and Sunday, January 10 and 11, TCU Place

Seed Growers, Tuesday and Wednesday, January 13 & 14

Winter Cereals , Monday, January 12

**SPECIAL SESSION : WEDNESDAY EVENING , JANUARY 14**

**NEW FORMAT, NEW LOCATION – PRAIRIELAND PARK**

**Topic: “ Fertilizer Supply, Demand and Price Outlook”**

**Speaker : David Ashbridge ;**

**Doane Advisory Services, St. Louis Missouri**

**5: 30 pm Beef on a Bun supper \$ 10.00 – limited seats -tickets available beginning January 12  
at Prairieland Park or Saskatoon Inn (Room 234)**

**7:00 pm Everyone welcome at no cost**

**m) MAL**

None present, no report.

**n) College Development Officer – Mark Wartman present**

Positive responses to letters that went out to alumni and some funds received. M. Wartman would like to go around with the SAGA President next year, to get hands on involvement and for Alumni to make a connection.

The Western Producer to donate a full page to the College to say "thank-you " to all those who help to the College with donation for their sponsors. A spread like this from the Western Producer is approximately a \$18,000.00 donation.

Good response to Acknowledge and welcoming submissions.

**o) Past President's Report –J. Bessel**

Attended the ASA Banquet last Saturday night January 31, 2009.

Comments from our new dean on the SAGA Reunion were very positive. SAGA needs to continue to build our relationship with her this is a valuable resource and we will need her support in the future.

**p) President's Report – C. Lynn**

Looking forward to the upcoming SAGA year. Still have vacant positions on the SAGA Executive and welcoming suggestions of names who may be interested in filling this roles.

**Motion by: B. Sonntag – To move all committee reports be adopted as presented**  
**Seconded by: All Carried**

**7) New/Other Business**

Set meeting dates for the 2009 SAGA Executive. The dates are as follows:

Thursday March 5, 2009 – Room 2D21  
Thursday April 2, 2009 – Room 2D21  
Thursday September 3, 2009 – Room 1E80  
Thursday October 1, 2009 – Room 1E80  
Thursday November 5, 2009 - Room 1E80  
Thursday December 3, 2009 – Room 1E80  
Tuesday January 5, 2010 – Room 2D21


**Motion: by V. Peters - To move the meeting for adjournment.**  
**Seconded by : L. Horn Carried**

**Next Meeting: THURSDAY March 5, 2009 7:00 p.m. Room 2D21 Agriculture Bldg**




Adjourn: 10:00 p.m.

Secretary Signature

  
Teri Ife

President's Signature

  
Carl Lynn

Attachments: SAGA Meeting Attendance Sheet  
Financial Report (report via email and enclosed in original minutes)  
ASA Report (report via email and enclosed in original minutes)  
SAGA Banquet Report  
Report from Dipolma Students with complaints of Enrollment in the new program  
B. McKercher's Thoughts on the 2009 Reunion Weekend  
G. Hass Comments on the 2009 Reunion Weekend

**ACTION ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

ACTION TAKEN BY	ACTION TO BE TAKEN	ACTION COMPLETED
		YES or NO
R. Bellamy	To look into changing the mailing address for SAGA to the SAGA office at 2D27.	YES or NO
ALL COMMITTEES	Reports or submissions to the Newsletter by March 31, 2009	YES or NO
B. Harvey, K. Sapsford & B. McKercher	To look into College Faculty becoming Associate Members of SAGA.	YES or NO
L. Horn	To forward 2009 Honorary Life Citations to B. Sonntag	YES or NO
L. Horn	To compose a Reunion Package for the next meeting	YES or NO
L. Horn	To make mailing labels and letterhead for R. Bellamy	YES or NO
H. Beckie	To prepare a Financial Report on the 2009 Reunion Weekend	YES or NO
V. Racz	To compose and send a letter to all 4 <sup>th</sup> year ASA members inviting them to be a SAGA member with access to the website for 1 year.	YES or NO

# SAGA Executive Meeting Attendance Sheet

Joint Meeting 2008 & 2009 Committee Chairpersons

Thursday - February 5, 2009

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

Glen Hass

*Glen Hass*

Carl Lynn

Ken Sapsford

Regrets

Jeff Schoenau

Jim Bessel

*Jim Bessel*

Teri Ife

*Teri Ife*

Chelsea Bulani

Vern Racz

*Vern Racz*

Richard Bellamy

*Richard Bellamy*

Lisa Horn

*Lisa Horn*

Shelagh Stecker

*Shelagh Stecker*

Derek Wilfing

Regrets

Louis Bossaer

*Louis Bossaer*

David Hryhor

Bob McKercher

*Bob McKercher*

Bryan Harvey

Regrets

Bernie Sonntag

*BHS*

Ewald Lammerding

*Ewald Lammerding*

Mark Wartman

*Mark Wartman*

Kara Fowler

Virgina Peters

*Virginia Peters*

Mayson Maerz

Regrets

Gerrit Baan

*Gerrit Baan*

Mark Kuchuran

Regrets

Les Henry

Juanita Polegi

Larry White

Allan McDougald

*Allan McDougald*

Hugh Beckie

Regrets

# SAGA 2009

Mixer Revenue		Mixer Expenses	
Door	\$ 780.00	TCU Place	
	\$ 860.00	Rooms	\$ 1,200.00
	\$ 1,700.00	Food	\$ 4,191.35
	\$ 550.00	Bar tender	\$ 456.25
	\$ 3,890.00	Corkage	\$ 1,575.00
		Internet	\$ 100.00
Membership	\$ 550.00	Handy	\$ 654.42
	\$ 1,300.00	PST	\$ 32.74
	\$ 1,850.00	GST	\$ 546.25
		15% SC	\$ 864.95
Bar Tickets	\$ 1,050.00		\$ 9,620.96
	\$ 1,100.00	Tickets	\$ 26.40
	\$ 1,350.00	Name Labels	\$ 31.90
	\$ 375.00	Liquor + permit	\$ 2,369.06
	\$ 545.00		
	\$ 1,400.00		
	\$ 1,200.00		
	\$ 7,020.00		
69 rum sale	\$ 110.00		
Casino	\$ 430.00		
TOTAL	\$13,300.00		\$ 12,048.32

**Mixer Net \$ 1,251.68**

Curling-net \$ 658.28

## Topics for future discussion:

- Mixer
  - Door price
  - liquor heals from 2008 & 2009
  - can they be combined and then added to 2010 liquor permit?
  - room rental - should we cover the rent??

Banquet - Ticket price - Deposit Proceedure

Banquet Revenue		Banquet Expenses	
Tickets	\$ 1,605.00	TCU Place	
	\$ 2,115.00	Food	\$12,555.00
		GST	\$ 627.73
Reunion Groups	\$ 8,180.00	15% SC	\$ 1,883.25
	\$ 11,900.00		\$15,065.98
Total Deposit	\$ 25,748.28	Programs & Tickets	\$ 208.09
Actual Deposit	\$ 25,635.40	Procedure needs to be developed	
		Included in banquet report	
Earlier Deposits		-envelope contents must be	
Reunion	\$ 1,280.00	verified at time of deposit	
other banquet	\$ 90.00		
Reunion Virginia	\$ 1,585.00		
Reimburse Virginina	-\$ 40.00		
Cheques made out to TCU Place		Need Hockey net deposit	
	\$ 1,421.50		
TOTAL	\$ 16,236.50		\$15,274.07

**Banquet Net \$ 962.43**

Float -\$ 1,000.00

Credit from College \$ 2,000.00

**Weekend NET \$ 3,872.39**

Other Expenses

Reunion Ribbons

Jim -\$ 451.00

Carl -\$ 209.00

Should the 60 yr badge continue?

Hon Life Framing -\$ 242.28

**All Expenses \$ 2,970.11**