

**SAGA Executive Meeting
Room 2D21 Agriculture Building
Wednesday, March 04, 2015
7:00 PM**

PRESENT: Bryan Harvey (Chairperson), Dennis Ewanus, Blair Cummins, Vern Racz, Kerry Gerein, Allan McDougald, Bob McKercher, Louis Bossaer, Billy Brown, Keith Head, Frank Dunlop, Katelyn Duncan, Curtis de Gooijer ,Raelene Petracek by phone: Chris Unsworth, Irene Ahner

1. Call to order by Chairperson Bryan Harvey at 7:00 pm
 2. Adoption of Agenda.
 - **MOTION:** K. Head/V. Racz that the Agenda as amended be adopted. CARRIED.
 3. Adoption of minutes from Feb 2015 meeting
 - Minutes were distributed electronically prior to the meeting
 - **MOTION:** B. Cummins/A. McDougald- that the minutes to be adopted. CARRIED.
 4. Business arising from Feb 2015 meeting – none
 5. Reading and adoption of financial reports:
 - financial report was electronically distributed by D. Ewanus prior to the meeting; D. Ewanus presented the financial report
 - Mutual Fund doing well
 - New life membership – Vern will watch for payment
 - Still looking for a stub for Canada Post
 - Net profit from Reunion: \$6423
 - **MOTION:** D. Ewanus / B. Brown - that the financial reports be adopted, CARRIED.
 6. Correspondence – none
 7. Assignment of Duties
 - B. Harvey will assume the task of checking the mail in the Dean's office.
 8. Committee Reports
- ASA - report by Kerry Gerein
- Telemiracle fundraising wrapping up, raised approx. \$8500.
 - Upcoming Events:
 - Kaiser Tournament
 - Cumoniwanalaya Mar 13, sold out in 2 hrs.
 - New Executive to be voted in this week so will be a new rep for next meeting.

Reunion – report by Louis B.

- Louis working on chairs, passed a list around, seem to be some sections of grads missing.

Banquet/Mixer – report by Katelyn Duncan

- Darcy is working on the contracts for next year

Curling/Hockey – report by Blair Cummins

- Confirmed that both are booked at the Waldheim facility.

Newsletter – report by Bryan Harvey

- Ewald not able to make meeting but sent report to Bryan that all was OK
- Discussed the letter for advertising, Bryan had some suggestions of places to send, any others, forward to Ewald.
 - Discussed how much to request, decided \$500 as \$1000 was likely to cross a line that would need approval from higher up
 - **ACTION:** Louis will take lead on contacting potential advertisers and will work with Ewald on size of ad.
- Irene will create report for '65 Grads for the newsletter

Alumni – report by Chris Unsworth

- 100th Anniversary, celebrations to commence in 2016. More details next month. General theme will be Come Home/ Coming Home or something along that line. Will also be out in the Green and White.

Crop Production Week – report by Keith Head

- AGM is Apr 10

MAL – report by Bob McKercher/ Al McDougal

- List of inductees into Sask AG Hall of Fame- Several with College of Ag connections: Harold Fast, Regis Karamanos, Jack Braidek + 2 others
- Hall of Fame – always looking for female nominees and the people out in rural SK that are doing a lot for Ag
- Our Exec should be reporters, all would appreciate hearing more info, shouldn't be all Ewald's job to find the info for the newsletter.
- 2 new members:
 - Brian O'Keefe and Ken Warkentin – both will be helping with the Honorary Life, Al will be phasing out.
 - **MOTION:** add Ken and Brian as members A. McDougal/F. Dunlop – CARRIED
- **ACTION:** Constitution to be sent out to everybody, Bob will look for electronic copy otherwise Raelene will scan and send out.

Past President – report by Blair Cummins

- Report provided
- **MOTION:** accept report including names submitted for Honorary Life Awards B. Cummins/B. McKercher - CARRIED

- **ACTION:** Bryan will notify them and then committee will proceed further
- **ACTION:** Bryan will follow up with pictures of Past-Presidents of SAGA.

President Report – report by Bryan Harvey

- Dean is enthusiastic
- Will be meeting with College of Ag people Mar 18th to discuss the things he and Dean Buhr talked about.
- Talked about having a Dept Head write a report for at least one of the newsletters
- Discussion: Dairy Barn tour was good, Synchrotron- everyone was impressed, good opportunity to connect with people from outside of the city.

Membership – report by Vern Racz

- Vern meeting with Tanya to sort out the email addresses
- Discussion on why we have so many new members this year. Decided it was a combination of things: sent note to encourage parents to buy kids memberships, Crop Production and Agribition provided visibility
 - **ACTION:** Blair will make call to see if same sponsors would like to provide beverages again at these events.
- Chris: will have a SAGA exec working (working with Tanya) will send out after the meeting so send any changed emails to her.

MOTION: accept reports except Website V. Racz/F. Dunlop – CARRIED

Website – report by Vern Racz

- C. Unsworth withdrew from meeting at this time.
- 2 proposals submitted. Vern, Keith and Dennis were the committee that evaluated them. Vern went through both proposals.
 - Final recommendation from committee was to go with the Webstation proposal, it is already up and running therefore providing continuity, question of why it failed was answered and was due to us not the provider, was a better looking site.
 - **MOTION:** Go with the Webstation proposal for the SAGA Website K.Head/D. Ewwanus – CARRIED
- Question: was supposed to be SAGA information in the Producer **ACTION:** Blair will check into it
- Vern was most concerned with being able to put the newsletter on the website for those that for some reason didn't receive it
- Membership purchase/registration not working yet but should be an easy fix

9. New / Other business

- Thanks to Al and Bob. They were doing all of the things that the Past-Presidents were supposed to be doing and many thanks for all of their contributions over the years. This was their last meeting

10. Next meeting: Wednesday, April 08; 2D21 Agric Building 7:00 p.m.

11. Adjournment – 8:35pm –B. Harvey