

**SAGA Executive Meeting
Room 2D21 Agriculture Building
Wednesday, September 16, 2015
7:00 PM**

PRESENT: Bryan Harvey (Chairperson), Ewald Lammerding, Keith Head, Vern Racz, Darcy Jones, Chris Unsworth, Blair Cummins, Frank Dunlop, Louis Bossaer, Raelene Petracek, Harv Petracek

by phone: none

Regrets: Dennis Ewanus, Bayley Blackwell, Irene Ahner, Tanya Napper

1. Call to order by Chairperson Bryan Harvey at 7:05 pm
 2. Adoption of Agenda.
 - **MOTION:** D. Jones/B. Cummins CARRIED.
 3. Adoption of minutes from April 2015 meeting
 - Minutes were distributed electronically prior to the meeting
 - **MOTION:** V. Racz/F. Dunlop- that the minutes to be adopted. CARRIED.
 4. Business arising from April 2015 meeting –
 - Location for the photos of the Past-Presidents established
 - Still need some photos
 5. Reading and adoption of financial reports:
 - financial report was electronically distributed by D. Ewanus prior to the meeting. As D. Ewanus was absent, receipt and approval tabled to next meeting.
 - Moneris Proposal was discussed
 - CCDE – concern that it has been fragmented and may not be as functional, Darcy noted that CCDE will be available if we need it (she checked recently).
 - Chris’s firm uses them and they are fine. Tanya will provide a phone number as backup to the Moneris online
 - Would be able to autofill info from the website
 - Steve Daws has set one up before
 - **MOTION:** C. Unsworth/L Bossaer – To go with the Moneris option. CARRIED.
 6. Correspondence – none
 7. Committee Reports
- ASA - report provided by B. Blackwell (presented by Raelene P.)
- Several recent and upcoming events

- ASA has a new phone charging station in the lounge that has a tv screen for event advertisements etc. If we have anything to put up let Bayley know- needs to be in PowerPoint format

Reunion – report by Louis B.

- Still looking for a couple of chairs
 - 1986 School, 2011 School- not many people
 - 1946C – Louis will do.
 - 1946S – 12 or 13 of them still around, have a coordinator
- Going forward, the school won't have many because it is all Distance Ed. So will only one coordinator to do both
- Will be sending out an update to the coordinators

Banquet/Mixer – report by Darcy J.

- Imagery Photog is available, price will be similar and setup the same.
- Decided to leave prices the same as last year (\$70 Banquet/Mixer-early reg., \$85 late reg, \$15 mixer only)
- Setup will be the same, same menu

Curling

- Booked in Waldheim, waiting for final price
- Curling will be Funspiel, don't need teams, pickup curling

Newsletter – report by Ewald L.

- Ewald will be away for a couple of months so newsletter will be done long-distance.
- Final deadline Nov 15, would like it earlier
- In addition to the dept write-ups Ewald asked for stories of the things we did when we were here – would be good for the reunion yrs.
- Chris: College tested inserts to Green & White, logistically went well so could put it in With Acknowledge or Green & White.
 - **ACTION**: Chris will get us the date for the next meeting.
- Distribution issues – Vern
 - Talked to Tanya, many issues, several didn't get copies, others got paper copies
 - There are two separate lists and they will be maintained separately so shouldn't have that problem
 - Because of the size, it has to be broken up. Last email out – went in bundles of ~40 and it dropped the top 2 and bottom 2.
 - Will send out a prior email a couple of weeks ahead to watch for newsletter and a note to say it will be available on the website.
 - Discussed just putting it on the website. Decided to go with the emailed copy this time and will check with webmaster re: possibility of crashing website if we go website only.
- Advertising: had no complaints about it. Only one company responded – it was an ad re: their scholarships so people may not have realized it was an ad.

Alumni – report by Chris Unsworth

- See info re: Green & White in Newsletter report
- Main priorities –Alumni centennial
- Welcome Week Breakfast
- Homecoming game
- Tours: Garden tours, Ghost walk

Crop Production Week – report by Keith H.

- Date: Jan 8-16
- Same 3 venues, shuttles available.
- CWB no longer eligible to be a member

Membership/Website – report by Vern R.

- Vern and Tanya worked on a new membership list
 - Still many emails missing
 - Would like to get people to take part of list and get them to phone and get email (or confirm that there isn't one).
 - Want to ensure original list stays intact- suggestion: something like Google sheets so that everyone could edit but original list is kept elsewhere
- Website:
 - Will still be some changes but consensus is it is much better
 - Contact Denis, Keith or Vern to post. Vern has been sending to Steve, costs a bit but it is done promptly and properly
- Facebook
 - Seems to be working fine as well
 - Chris, Katelyn and Billy all have access and have been posting

Hall of Fame – report by Bryan H.

- Jack Hay has retired
- Have established a committee to review process, will be looking at possible sponsorship, long weekend in Aug. is that the right time? Reviewing governance structure as well
- Deadline for nominations for this year is past but keep in mind for future, especially looking for female nominations

MAL

- No report

Past President – report by Blair C.

- Farm Progress sponsored by Seed Hawk again, had 15-20 people, will keep working on it, no cost to SAGA
- Agribition: we are booked, will have a spot again. Lloyd will buy beer again. Thurs 26th starting at 4:00
- Tanya/Hamish mentioned College might want to partner with us. Lloyd was talking with Hamish at the naming ceremony for the lane on campus so he will be Ok with it.
- **ACTION:** Blair will put a blurb on Facebook
- Make sure we extend it to students

- **ACTION:** Chris will tweet it out
- Wear Agro apparel

President Report – report by Bryan H.

- Both Honorary Life members accepted and are delighted
 - Need to get write-ups for the banquet
 - **ACTION:** Blair will talk to Gratton about writeup and presenter, Bryan will talk to Elaine
- Friday evening event:
 - Tanya had noted that reunion yrs will have Friday events planned, suggeste maybe something at ie 4:30
 - Bryan didn't think it was aimed at reunion yrs anyway and has Dean on board with something
 - Suggestions:
 - Tour followed by coffee
 - Louis suggested some boards in the lounge with ie new courses, why the College name change, why there are several degrees

9. New / Other business - none

10. Next meeting: Wednesday, Oct 14; 2D21 Agric Building 7:00 p.m.

11. Adjournment – 8:25pm