

**SAGA Executive Meeting  
Room 2D21 Agriculture Building  
Wednesday, February 03, 2016**

**PRESENT:** Louis Bossaer, Bryan Harvey, Brian O’Keefe, Dennis Ewanus, Keith Head, Ewald Lammerding, Darcy Jones, Blair Cummins, Bayley Blackwell, Raelene Petracek,  
by phone: Irene Ahner  
regrets: Vern Racz

1. Call to order by Chairperson Louis Bossaer at 7:30 pm
  2. Adoption of Agenda.
    - **MOTION:** B. Harvey/D. Ewanus CARRIED.
  3. Adoption of minutes from January 2016 meeting
    - Minutes were distributed electronically prior to the meeting
    - **MOTION:** K. Head/D. Jones CARRIED.
  4. Business arising from the Minutes – none
  5. Correspondence – none
  6. Financial Report – D. Ewanus
    - financial report was electronically distributed by D. Ewanus prior to the meeting
      - 3 attachments: Financial report, Invoice from TCU, breakdown from CCDE after handling charges
      - 302 had paid, 15 walk-ins that thought they had paid, they paid at desk
      - Question: what is opening refreshments? Not sure, probably the coffee/tea provided during mixer – decided not to worry about as they offered/provided a separate room for the AGM at no cost
    - **MOTION:** accept Financial Reports as electronically filed D. Ewanus/D. Jones- Carried
  7. Committee Reports
- ASA - Bayley B.
- Telemiracle Fundraising- Bedpush
    - They are looking for sponsorship – hotels in Regina (for ~20 people, 3-4 rooms), banners for pilot vehicles, snacks etc
    - If anyone wants to run, contact Bayley
    - **MOTION:** SAGA to donate \$200.00 B. Harvey/D. Ewanus - Carried
  - Exec Auction is tomorrow night – to do odd jobs etc, fundraiser for Telemiracle
  - Winter mixer was last weekend
  - Grad was week before – thankyou to Louis for speaking
  - Cumonowanalaya is Mar 18
  - Ewald is going to put the picture of the tires in the Engineering Lounge into the newsletter

Reunion – report by Louis B.

- Received several comments on how good it was.
- Will send out another email for pictures for Ewald to put into newsletter
- Still working on getting someone to take Vice-President position

Friday Night

- General consensus: it was a success

Banquet/Mixer – report by Darcy J.

- There were a few tense moments when the walk-ins that hadn't been included in the counts for reunion tables arrived and there weren't enough chairs
- Comment: to keep track of people in honor years and counting numbers needed at honor tables, if couples are both Ag Grads make sure they register under the honor year person's name. Louis will add that to the reunion chair's notes.
- Louis would like to find a way to keep people at the mixer- maybe distillers or something with testing booths- maybe sponsor the drinks
- Nametags : new website will be able to help with the nametags, will need formats
- Denis commented that the Registration Desk worked really well
- TCU offered the room for the meeting at no charge – Thankyou
- Comment: would it be possible to announce the Honorary Life Recipients ahead of time – some people have said they would have come if they had known
- Date for next year – January 7th
- Darcy would like some help for next year as Katelyn's job had her not available

Curling –E. Lammerding

- Had some hockey players/girlfriends play
- Sold tickets on bottles and that is what made \$
- So.... Curling is done

Hockey – no report

Newsletter – E. Lammerding

- May 15 is cutoff date
  - Mary Buhr (Dean) and Development Office (Hamish) are usually the latest
- Meeting with Tanya and the In Memorium person for the Green & White. Have agreed to let each other know – comes down to a space issue but with website can put in an Empty Saddle section where people can go for longer writeups
- Sponsorship: no new ones, Coop is done, will check to see if they want to do it again. May need to send another letter again.

Alumni – no report

Crop Production Week – Keith H.

- Was successful, will know at AGM in April.
- Cropsphere moving to Prairieland

Membership/Website – report by Vern R.

- Report provided electronically prior to meeting

Hall of Fame – report by Bryan H.

- Taskforce met to work on changes
  - Will also be open to individual memberships
  - Board will be elected
- Last 3 inductees have been announced

MAL – Irene A/Brian O/Blair C.

- Irene question: has anyone talked to Western Producer lately?
  - Honorary Life
    - Blair suggested Irene contact the Managing Editor (Michael Raine?)
- Suggestion: Purchase a standup banner rather than our banner that needs a place to hang
  - **ACTION:** Blair will look into it
  - **MOTION:** Approve spending \$200-300 on a pop-up banner for Agribition, Reunion etc B. Cummins/B. O’Keefe – CARRIED
- Suggestion: in the past MAL’s used to do a pub night in their area to get out to more people.

Past President – B. Harvey

- **ACTION:** Transfer Honorary Life information from Blair to Bryan
- Honorary Life Committee
  - Past President, MAL’s, Honorary President

President Report –Louis B.

- Attended Ag Graduation, was well run. He did a short greeting and an explanation of SAGA, would probably emphasize the link from Ag Grad to SAGA in the future.
- Suggestion: get a list closer to convocation to suggest a gift from the parents.

**MOTION:** Accept reports: B. Harvey/I. Ahner - CARRIED

8. New / Other business –

- Need to get information on the New Grads and engage them. In the past we have counted on the ASA but lots of students don’t belong. There are now several student groups ie Environmental, Animal Science, they now have reps on the ASA.
  - We have started sending out newsletter to all grads- suggestion: President could include a paragraph indicating that they are all eligible for membership in SAGA

9. Date of Next Meetings:

- Wed March 09 @ 7:00
- Wed Apr 06 @ 7:00

10. Adjournment – 8:45 E. Lammerding/B. O’Keefe