# Minutes SAGA Executive Meeting Zoom meeting Tuesday, November 10, 2020

Prepared by: Raelene Petracek

**Attending:** Jason Fradette (chair), Irene Ahner, Morley Ayars, Deanne Belisle, Louis Bossaer, Blair Cummins, Henry deGooijer, Bryan Harvey, John Hauer, Eric Johnson, Ewald Lammerding, Adam Ornawka, Raelene Petracek, Jo-Anne Relf-Eckstein, Dylan Stang, Hamish Tulloch Regrets: none

- 1. Call to order by Chairperson Jason Fradette at 7:05 pm
- 2. Adoption of Agenda
  - **MOTION** to adopt Agenda: B. Harvey. CARRIED.
- 3. Adoption of minutes from the October 2020 meeting
  - MOTION to adopt minutes—M. Ayars. CARRIED
- 4. Business arising from the Minutes
  - o Executive remaining in place for an additional year
    - Will be discussed in New Business
- 5. Financial Report M. Ayars
  - Report provided

There has not been any revenues since the last report. We have written cheques for \$500 to the University of Saskatchewan for the Vern Racz scholarship and \$250 for Crop Production Week Membership. These Cheques are still outstanding. The Cheque to Canada Post for the June Newsletter has been paid for \$210. Current chequing account balance is \$14,511.86 and our mutual fund as of November 06, 2020 is valued at \$56,340.45. You will note that our mutual fund has increased by \$16,340.45 since 2007 or 40.9% over 13 years or an approximate average increase of 3.1% per year. During that period my pension returned 70.28% with an approximate average increase of 5.4% per year. (Note I have used simple averages which would not be accurate because of annual compounding so the returns will be slightly less than the simple average.)

Attached is the Income and Expense Statement to October 31. You will note our net income over the year before the outstanding cheques are included is \$1,080.14 and will be down \$750 when all expenditures are accounted for or \$330.14.

Saskatchewan Agricultural Graduates' Association Inc.										
Statement of Income & Expenses 2019-11-1 to 2020-10-31 Account # 0602-8045-857										
		As of Oct 31, 2020								
REVENUES	<u>Code</u>				<u>Balance</u>	<u>Dep #</u>				
2019-10-31		Balance Chequing Account carried forward		\$13,431.72						
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2019-11-01		·	see explanation notes		\$ 3,160.00	BANK				
2019-11-01	4c	Reunion Tickets on line	see expla	nation notes	\$ 23,460.00	BANK				
2019-11-01	4c	Reunion Tickets on line Refunds**	see expla	nation notes	-\$ 1,395.00	BANK				
2019-11-01	4c	Mixer Tickets on line	see expla	nation notes	\$ 72.35	BANK				
2019-11-01	4c	Reunion Tickets on line paid by cheque	ee expla	nation notes	\$ 1,275.00	D00				
2019-11-01	1	Purchase of Memberships Paid by cheque	see expla	nation notes	\$ 220.00	D00				
2019-11-01	5d	Sales of "The Sodbusters Vision" Book	see expla	nation notes	\$ 145.00	BANK				
2019-12-31	5с	Municipal Hail Ad in The SAGA Dec 2018/Ju	ne 2019		\$ 500.00	D06				
2020-3-03	5c	FCC Ad in The SAGA Dec 2019/June 2020			\$ 500.00	D12				
2020-4-09	5c	Brett Young Ad in The SAGA Dec 2018/June	e 2019		\$ 300.00	D13				
2020-1-13	4d	Money taken in prior to Mixer		cash	\$ 355.00	D08				

2020-1-13	4d	Money fron				cash	\$	200.00	D08
2020-1-13	1		n Memberships at m	ixer		cash	\$	40.00	D08
2020-1-27	4c	Wine Sampling				cash	\$	81.00	D09
2020-2-11	4a	ASA from F	lockey Tournament			cash	\$	470.00	D11
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2019-12-03	16a	512	Canada Post to mai	l newslett	⊥ er Dec 2018	\ }	\$	3.39	
2019-12-07	16a	513	Dennis Ewanus for		01 000 2010		\$	37.80	
2019-12-18	16a	514	Debbie Brown 16 pg	•	na & scan	newsletter	\$	467.00	
2019-12-13	16a	516	Canada Post to mai				\$	483.83	
2019-11-30	16a	515	Sask Abilities Coun				\$	826.94	
2019-11-30	15	313	Bank charges Mone		Nov 2019		\$	113.56	
2020-1-31	15		Bank charges Mone		Dec 2019		\$	415.25	
2020-1-31	15		Bank charges Mone		Jan 2020		\$	138.09	
2020-2-20	15		Bank charges Mone		Feb 2020		\$	55.43	
2020-4-30	15		Bank charges Mone		Mar 2020		\$	45.43	
2020-5-31	15		Bank charges Mone		Apr 2020		\$	45.43	
2020-6-30	15		Bank charges Mone		May 2020		\$	45.43	
2020-7-31	15		Bank charges Mone		Jun 2020		\$	45.43	
2020-8-31	15		Bank charges Mone		Jul 2020		\$	45.43	
2020-9-30	15		Bank charges Mone		Aug 2020		\$	45.43	
2020-10-31	15		Bank charges Moneris		Sep 2020		\$	45.43	
2019-11-30	15		Bank charges Mone		Oct-20		\$	45.43	
2019-12-31	15		BMO Bank charges		Nov		\$	11.25	
2020-1-31	15		BMO Bank charges		Dec		\$	52.50	
2020-6-30	15		BMO Bank charges		Jan		\$	13.75	
2020-7-31	15		BMO Bank charges		Jun		\$	12.17	
2020-8-31	15		BMO Bank charges		Jul		\$	10.00	
2020-09-30	15		BMO Bank charges		Aug		\$	11.37	
2020-10-31	15		BMO Bank charges		Sep		\$	11.67	
2020-1-02	15		BMO Bank charges		Oct		\$	10.00	
2020-1-07	9	517	Dennis E for Corpor	ate Regist		ial return	\$	15.00	
2020-1-24	17c	518	Dennis Ewanus for I				\$	46.61	
2020-1-24	17c	519	USSU XL Print car				\$	255.16	
2020-1-24	17c	520	Louis Bossaer	liquor pe			\$	60.00	
2020-1-24	17a	521	Chay Anderson		or hockey	2019	\$	72.79	
2020-1-24	18a	522	ASA for Telemiracle				\$	200.00	
2020-1-02	17c	523	Imagery for photog		0		\$	222.00	
2020-1-24	17c	524	Linda's Printing		es & cards i	od Ewald	\$	133.05	
2020-1-24	17c	524	Staples for WDM po				\$	57.13	
2020-1-24	17c	524	Listowel Trophies for custom ribbons etc pd Ewald				\$	120.55	
2020-1-24	17c	524	Artistic Picture Fran				\$	466.20	
2020-1-28	17c	524	Listowel Trophies for grad year ribbons pd Ewald				\$	53.28	
2020-1-28	17c	525	TCU Place for bang				\$	18,834.00	
2020-2-03	17c	526	TCU Place advance		anquet		\$	1,500.00	
	16a	527	Canada Post newsletter returns					16.30	
2020-3-12	17c		Ramada Hotel Sask				\$ \$	_	

2020-10-21	18d	530	Sask Ag I	Hall of Fam	ne	annual me	embership	\$	100.00
2020-3-01	18c	536	Crop Production Week Membership 2020_21					\$	-
2020-6-17		528	Website					\$	286.20
1901-09-08	16a	534	Debbie B	rown type	setting &	scan news	letter	\$	572.00
2020-06-17	16a	533	Sask Abil	ities Coun	cil Newsle	tter June 20	020	\$	779.56
2020-06-17	16a	531 and 535	Canada F	ost to mai	Inewslette	er June 202	20	\$	487.90
2020-10-21		532	Website					\$	778.04
2020-10-21	16a	537	Canada F	ost to mai	Inewslette	er June 202	20	\$	210.00
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						Total Expe	enses		\$28,303.21
						NET INCO	ME		\$1,080.14
		Balance C	hequing	Account					\$14,511.86
2007-9-21									
2009-12-14		Purchase	Value of	Mutual Fu	ind BMO	# 610-134	105-18	\$	40,000.00
2016-10-31		Redempti	on of \$50	00				-\$	5,000.00
2017-10-31		Value of B	MO Sele	ctClass G	rowth Fu	nd # 0602	8045-857	\$	45,469.52
2018-10-31		Value of B	MO Sele	ctClass G	rowth Fu	nd # 0602	8045-857	\$	51,162.45
2018-12-31		Value of B	MO Sele	ctClass G	rowth Fu	nd # 0602	8045-857	\$	49,813.78
2019-10-31		Value of B	MO Sele	ctClass G	rowth Fu	nd # 0602	8045-857	\$	48,402.16
2020-1-24		Value of B	MO Sele	ctClass G	rowth Fu	nd # 0602	8045-857	\$	54,022.65
2019-9-12		Value of B	MO Sele	ctClass G	rowth Fu	nd # 0602	8045-857	\$	56,815.99
2020-11-06		Value of B	MO Sele	ctClass G	rowth Fu	nd # 0602	8045-858	\$	55,167.77
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Outstanding Invoice for the Website for \$127.20 plus accounting package for about \$350 plus tax. The accounting package is about \$50 above quote because it is an upgrade.

• MOTION: To adopt the Treasurer's report as circulated – M. Ayars - CARRIED

# 6. Correspondence

• There ae some returned newsletters, Hamish will arrange getting them to Henry.

# 7. Committee Reports

## Scholarship – E. Lammerding/H. Tulloch

• Nothing new to report, Hamish doesn't have access at the moment, waiting for changeover.

## ASA - D. Stang

- Drag Did not go ahead, they couldn't get it organized with the short notice. Only did the T-shirts.
- Virtual Shavedown went well.
- ASA has no events planned.
- PRO has the milk moustache event. They have challenged Dalhousie University. To bring recognition to the rate of men's suicide. Will be prizes for the top chugger and top fundraiser.

- Anyone wishing to make individual donations either to the ASA Milk Moustache Challenge or to join Dylan's team, contact Dylan for link.
- o **MOTION:** That SAGA donate \$250.00 to the Milk Moustache Challenge (ASA). E. Johnson CARRIED
- Looking for recommendations for a guest speaker for Grad

#### Reunion -

- Discussion around anything we still need to do/can do for 2021.
  - One group has decided to go ahead with something probably a Zoom meeting
  - o Honorary Life Awards we will go ahead and present them and have the honorees attend the 2022 reunion.
    - Previously we had discussed possibly doing something with Crop Production or Cropshere – Jo-Anne has not had a reply.
  - Louis has been talking with Barb at Black Fox Distillery (one of the three distillers/brewers that have traditionally been part of the sampling event at the Reunion) and a suggestion of sending out a cheer to classmates, letting us know so we can post on our Social Media as well. See below:

Sending this out as an idea and I hope others will come up with more ideas.

I was thinking a fun thing to do for the cancelled reunion would be to have reunion members buy their favorite local brewery or distillery product and video a cheer to their classmates. They could then post it to the SAGA Facebook page.

#### Ask each person to

State their name clearly with their year and degree/diploma

- 1. Leave a short (not too long) message for classmates
- 2. Show off their local beverage of choice (Support a buy local message)
- 3. What are they doing today in a few sentences. Ie live in X, Sk, have X kids and work for X company/retired.
- 4. State what have you been doing to keep entertained in this Covid world.

I think we should also ask reunion years if they would be interested in setting up little webex/Teams meetings with their groups with the note that we would still like their personal messages so people outside their reunion year can still see what they are up to.

Maybe for the usual Friday evening event the Ag College would be willing to make a short fun video to post to all grads on our Facebook site also. I think if we leave it to Eric and Bryan they can find the right people to make up a fun video

- o Any other ideas?
- 2022
  - TCU is willing to work with us for space if we think we will need more.

## Newsletter – E. Lammerding

• All three advertisers have committed for the next two issues.

• FCC articles – we will include links in the newsletter if people want to check them out.

# College of AgBio Alumni and Development Office Report –H. Tulloch

• Nothing to report

#### Crop Production Week – J. Relf-Eckstein

- Presented the results of the last meeting (advertising but not using the Insightrix platform for our AGM)
- Advertising is at no cost again
- Gave them the information for our AGM
  - o Saturday, January 09 at 7:00pm
- Mentioned our HLM, no feedback as of now.

## Membership- H. de Gooijer

- We have approximately 1850 members
- Continuing to clean up the list. There were only about 10 bounce backs with the last mailing
- Question about Faculty, should they be added to list? Hamish coordinates sending the newsletter to them. Decided to continue as is.

#### Website -

- There are some updates needed
- Keith Head has continued to add Minutes and Empty Saddles.

## Hall of Fame – B. Harvey

• The meeting to select new inductees has been postponed. The plan is to still choose them and will do the face to face presentations at some point down the line.

## MAL – I. Ahner, J. Hauer, Adam Ornawka, B, Cummins

• Irene noted that for the first time in many years they are snowed in.

#### Vice President –D. Belisle

• Nothing further to report

#### Past President –E. Johnson

• Selection of HL will be in the spring. If anyone has suggestions, send them to him.

#### President Report –J. Fredette

Report Provided:

Since our October SAGA meeting its looking like our next few executive meetings will not be following the familiar pattern of the past.

I looked through some minutes from October and November 2019. At that time we were working through details of the reunion, contacting reunion chairs, thinking about Friday night tour guides etc. ASA was talking about Bean Feed and Drag. We also had regular business like Crop Production Week, financial report, scholarship donations, and the newsletter. So it appears a lot of the things

that would have required our attention at this time of year are now postponed or affected in some way by this pandemic.

It might appear that the next few months will be a quiet time for SAGA until things begin to get back to normal, but maybe we should not get to complacent. With the recent increase in COVID cases these last few weeks and new health guidelines, maybe what we need to be thinking about are SAGA activities in a not-so-normal situation, and options for our members and the college.

Also some things are already in motion. Right now we have TCU Place booked for a 2022 reunion and we have reunion chairs in place to help us plan. It is to our advantage to talk about that event sooner than later.

We are already adapting the 2021 AGM to the current health guidelines restricting large gatherings. Thank you Joanne for getting our virtual AGM coordinated and advertised with the Crop Production Week committee. We still may need to figure out how we will run that, take motions and count votes if necessary.

So really this may be time for some new ideas, ideas for the reunion or other ways to connect grads, students and the college. Those ideas may be a lot of what we discuss in our upcoming meetings.

MOTION: Accept Reports: I. Ahner CARRIED.

- 8. New / Other business
  - Discussion on current Exec remaining in place as is for an additional year
    - o **MOTION:** The current Executive slate be presented at the AGM as the slate in place for another year. B. Harvey CARRIED
- 9. Date of Next Meeting
  - TUESDAY December 08<sup>th</sup>
- 10. Motion to adjourn B. Harvey at 8:45 PM