

**SAGA Executive Meeting
Room 2D21 Agriculture Building
Thursday, February 5, 2015
7:00 PM**

PRESENT: Bryan Harvey (Chairperson), Dennis Ewanus, Blair Cummins Lucas Ringdal, Vern Racz, Chris Unsworth, Kerry Gerein, Allan McDougald, Bob McKercher, Darcy Jones, Louis Bossaer, Billy Brown, Bryan Harvey, Ewald Lammerding, Raelene Petracek

1. Call to order by Chairperson Bryan Harvey at 7:00 pm
2. Adoption of Agenda
 - **MOTION:** E. Lammerding/B. Cummins- that the agenda to be adopted with revisions. CARRIED.
3. Adoption of minutes from January, 2015 meeting
 - Minutes were distributed electronically prior to the meeting
 - **MOTION:** V. Racz/B. McKercher - that the minutes to be adopted. CARRIED.
4. Business arising from January 2015 meeting – none
5. New Executive Members
 - **MOTION:** B. Cummins/D. Jones – Appointment of new Executive Members:
 - Billy Brown – Membership
 - Louis Bossaer – Vice President
 - Raelene and Harvey Petracek – Secretary
 - Frank Dunlop – Honorary PresidentCARRIED.
6. Reading and adoption of financial reports:
 - financial report was electronically distributed by D. Ewanus prior to the meeting; D. Ewanus presented the financial report
 - Need to change signing authority at bank – signing authority will include: President (Bryan Harvey), Secretary (Raelene Petracek) and Treasurer (Dennis Ewanus)
 - **ACTION:** Dennis to complete necessary form and send to Raelene and Bryan ; Dennis will make arrangements to go to bank to sign the appropriate forms
 - **MOTION:** V.Racz/C. Unsworth - that SAGA reimburse Ray Elliot \$33.24 for expenses incurred as 1985C Reunion chair, CARRIED.
 - **MOTION:** D. Ewanus / E. Lammerding - that the financial reports be adopted, CARRIED.
7. Correspondence – none

8. Review of 2015 Reunion Activities

- B. McKercher – good remarks about Registration, general praise about meal, presenters of Annual Life Memberships received favorable, pictures ran better, possibly serve lunch earlier as many had left already, some grumbling about the cost (not much), add something short to program such as novel research or ie Barb Stefanyshyn-Cote and John Cote and their transformation – discussion around this: program is probably just about long enough as is.
- E. Lammerding – Impressed with photographer, had all pictures he needed by end of week.
- Suggestion made to add '51, '61 reunions and '55 + '65 graduates
- V. Racz – Registration desk went well, open the reunion years to years prev and after as many people were in between or know people in other years
- General discussion: promote that if people want to attend the reunion year activities contact the reunion chair, in the future we won't be covering ie postage costs and those costs should be recovered by the reunion chair.
- B. Harvey – curling – probably done, not enough people attending, maybe ask ASA to let us use the lounge to visit Friday night, discussion around revenue, most revenue is from banquet which penalizes the banquet people, big cost is newsletter so could we look at a sponsor?
 - **MOTION:** D. Jones/ B. Cummings - Investigate possibility of advertisers to help cover all or part of the cost of the newsletter. CARRIED
 - **ACTION:** B. Cummins will make some calls
 - **MOTION:** E. Lammerding/ V. Racz – SAGA to look at a Friday night function in the ASA Lounge. CARRIED
 - **ACTION:** C. Unsworth will look into it.

Assignment of Duties (and backups):

Newsletter: Ewald – he is OK, H. Petracek will help as Alternate

Hockey: Billy and Curtis

Banquet and Mixer: Darcy and Katelyn

Membership: Vern and Billy

Reunion Chairs: Louis (Blair to help)

Website: Vern and Chris

Honorary Life: used to be Past-Presidents for previous 3 years. Last 5 years has been Bob and Al volunteering to do it. We can go back to previous procedure of Past President making a committee. Decision: Blair will chair committee but would like the continuity of Al and Bob continuing along with Grant.

9. Committee Reports

ASA - report by Kerry Gerein

- Upcoming Events: Winter Mixer – Feb 28, Hockey Day Dance, Blood Clinic Feb 24 (Ag vs Eng)
- Telemiracle Fundraisers: Pie Challenge (\$20), Exec Auction, possibly Kaiser Tourney
- **MOTION:** D. Ewanus / D. Jones - that SAGA make a donation of \$200 to the ASA for the Telemiracle Bed Push, CARRIED.

College of Agriculture and Bioresources –

Membership/Website Committee – report by Vern Racz

- Contacting new members and sending letters to Life and Annual members – thanking and persuading Annual Members to purchase Life Memberships
- Website
 - Unfortunately not functioning for the Reunion so we couldn't use it
 - Met with Steve Dawes who originally set up website – he will be providing a proposal to upgrade and get it to do what we want. Want to be able to use for purchasing memberships and banquet tickets even if it only sends them to the ccde website.
 - Chris will also submit a proposal to upgrade and maintain for 5 years.

Reunion – report by Blair Cummins

- comments / suggestions discussed earlier in Review of 2015 reunion activities
- Blair went through possible reunion chairs

Banquet/Mixer – report by Darcy Jones (attached)

- comments / suggestions discussed earlier in Review of 2015 reunion activities
- Overall good job, all went smooth

Curling – report by Ewald Lammerding

- May book entire facility and join in with hockey at Waldheim (still discussing)

Hockey - report by Billy Brown

- Will be going back to Waldheim next year
- Bouchard Heart Award to Trevor Middlecup – Shea Anderson provided the plaques.

Newsletter – report by Ewald Lammerding

- Materials for next newsletter due May15
- Still a few people not getting it by email. Ewald has talked to Tanya, Vern is going to work with her as well. The newsletter needs to go out in batches and issue may be with first and last names of the batches.

Alumni – report by Chris Unsworth

- Has been a new person hired for Volunteer Coordinator- will look after Development and Mgmt of Alumni- if we need resources to through them so all are working together. Chris will supply name
- Arts and Science is doing a trial run of sending info with the Green and White. Chris will follow up with that and possibility of sending out SAGA with Green and White.

Crop Production Week – report by Blair Cummins

- Approx. 20 grads but not all sat together, we may want a different spot but is worth trying again.

MAL – no report

Past President – report by Grant Wood

- Grant was not at meeting but did provide a report (attached)

President Report – report by Bryan Harvey

- Attended the Ag Students Grad Banquet

10. New / Other business

- ASA paraphernalia and yearbooks to sell at the Banquet and Mixer
- **ACTION**: Chris will set up an Executive email.

11. Next meeting: Wednesday, March 4; 2D21 Agric Building 7:00 p.m.

12. Adjournment – 8:55pm -E. Lammerding