

SAGA 68th Annual General Meeting
January 10th, 2003
Ballroom B – Saskatoon Inn

1. **Call to order:** Jim called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

Jack Braidek, Honorary President, reported on ag grads who were deceased in 2002.

2. **Approval of Agenda:**

3. **Minutes of 67th Annual Meeting:** Read by Bev Magill, move to be adopted as read by Bev and seconded by Joanne Kowalski.

4. **Appointment of Resolution committee:** appointed Les Henry and Bob Brack to act as the resolutions committee.

5. **Reading and adoption of financial reports:** Expenses exceed income by about \$1,000.00. Mutual funds currently valued at \$28,518.87 and GIC's at \$7,500.00. Mike moves financial report be adopted as read, seconded by Richard Bellamy. Mike moves to appoint Lorence Peterson to audit the books again next year, Bob Brack seconds.

6. **Committee Reports:**

SVAA – no report

ASA – no report

Registrar – numbers in president's report

Membership – report attached, Shannon Meyers moves for adoption of report as read, Adrian Johnson seconds

Reunion – 12 of 14 classes have chairs, report attached, Adrian Johnson moves for adoption of report as read, Mike Turley seconds.

Mixer – report attached, Don Mitchell moves for adoption of report as read, Ewald Lammerding seconds

Banquet – Everything is ready to go, there are still tickets available. Joanne Kowalski moves for adoption of report as presented, seconded by Lorence Peterson

Curling – First draw is complete, report is attached, Todd Ehman moves for adoption of report as read, seconded by Shannon Meyers.

Hockey – report attached, Colin Peterson moved for adoption of report, seconded by Glen Annand

Newsletter – Adrian Johnson gave report for Bill Strautman, report attached. More newsletters have been emailed. Adrian moved for adoption of report as read, seconded by Rod Delahey

Advisory Council (Partners in Agriculture) – No meeting was held this fall. Bill Cooper is stepping down and Rod Delahey is new representative. Dean Barber reported there were 50 organizations in the province that participate in the Partners in Agriculture Program. Rod moved for adoption of report, seconded by Mike Turley.

Alumni – Report is attached, Fred Fulton moves for adoption of report, seconded by Jack Braidek

Hall of Fame – The Hall of Fame now has a website, www.usask.ca/agriculture/sahf/. The new inductees are Victor Beck, Liz Delahey, Ken Kirkland, Don Tait, and Ike Theisson. The complete report is attached. Bob Brack moved for adoption of report as read, Bill Cooper seconded.

History Book - \$2,100 sold in the last year, should approach people in community to increase sales.

Barn Raisers – Rod Delahey's report is attached. Dean Barber apologized to SAGA for "dropping the ball" on the stone barn. Right now, the barn doesn't fit with the universities four priorities for facility updates. They were looking at it for some commercial use or as an interpretive center. Fred Fulton commented that the stone school house and rugby chapel could be moved to the area around the barn, providing a historic focus. Rod Delahey moved for adoption of report as read, Larry Brack seconded.

Motion:

SAGA write a letter to the President of the University copying the President of the Alumni Association and Dean Barber suggesting that we want to see the stone barn put to some functional use.

Moved by Rod Delahey and seconded by Adrian Johnson

President: Report attached, Jim Vancha moved for adoption of report as read, Richard Bellamy seconded.

Nominations – The list of nominations for new committee members, compiled by Larry Hayes was presented to the meeting. Ewald Lammerding moved that nominations cease. The list is attached.

7. Other business – Constitution revisions presented, copy attached. Lorence Peterson moved that changes be adopted as read, Doyle Wiebe seconded.

8. Resolutions – presented by Jack Braidek that SAGA collaborate with the College to establish an approach that would enable both parties to communicate with all living grads, at the earliest possible date. Resolution attached.

- Shannon Meyers introduced a motion to address SAGA membership challenges including attracting members and the cost of the newsletter.
- Les Henry thanked the executive for their work on behalf of the membership & for moving to the Saskatoon Inn???

Motion:

The 2003 SAGA executive undertake a review of the current membership fee structure and come to the 2004 AGM with a membership fee proposal.

Moved by Shannon Meyers, seconded by Adrian Johnston

Bob McKercher addressed some membership concerns he had.

- He feels the banquet is too informal, that it has no focal point. There needs to be some leadership at the meeting.
- The new president should be introduced,
- The newsletter was too late this year to promote reunion weekend events
- Who is next year's executive, put out a list
- There should be a presentation of pins at the curling event. In previous years, pins were engraved with the year
- We need to look at what direction we are going and what services do we provide to the membership

9. Move to adjourn the meeting by Lorence Peterson, seconded by Larry Brack.