

**Minutes SAGA Executive Meeting
Room 2D21 Agriculture Building
Wednesday, April 03, 2019**

Prepared by: Raelene Petracek

PRESENT: Eric Johnson (chair), Mayson Maerz, Keith Head, Dennis Ewanus, Jo-Anne Relf-Eckstein , Bryan Harvey, James Pruum, Greg Cooper, Raelene Petracek
by phone: Irene Ahner,
Regrets: Ewald Lammerding, Hamish Tulloch, Vern Racz,

1. Call to order by Chairperson Eric Johnson at 7:05 pm
2. Adoption of Agenda
 - **MOTION:** B. Harvey. CARRIED.
3. Adoption of minutes from March 2019 meeting
 - Minutes were distributed electronically prior to the meeting
 - **MOTION** to adopt: M. Maerz. CARRIED.
4. Business arising from the Minutes
 - None
5. Financial Report – D. Ewanus
 - Financial Report was electronically distributed by D. Ewanus prior to the meeting
 - **MOTION** to adopt: K. Head. CARRIED.
6. Correspondence
 - None
7. Committee Reports

Scholarship – K. Head

Report Provided:

The Terms of Reference have been finalized. They have been signed by president Eric and by Dean Buhr. They are now awaiting VP Osburn's signature.

There have been 24 donations to the SAGA Undergraduate Award fund for a total of \$7320 as of April 1, 2019.

The student services group will post the Award as a separate application this year due to time constraints. They will set that up as soon as the Terms of Reference are signed by all parties.

ASA - G. Cooper, J. Pruum

- This year is a Bed Push year
- Mary Buhr was honoured with a lifetime membership in ASA
- ASA raised over \$14,000 for STARS

- Golf tournament – July 27 at Moonlake
 - Sponsorship packages going out shortly
- Next week is the CAMA completion. There is a team of 20 going
- **MOTION:** SAGA sponsor at the \$500.00 level (we will get a team registration and a hole sponsorship) B. Harvey. CARRIED.

Reunion – E. Johnson and M. Maerz

- Discussion around filling the Vice President position
- Greg will look for a list of past ASA Exec as a source of people who might be willing to become Vice-President

Banquet/Mixer Report - E. Lammerding

- Report provided
 - If there are any further suggestions for how to improve the Reunion Banquet, send them to me, and I'll keep a running tab of items to discuss this fall.

Friday Event -

- No report

Hockey –

- No report

Newsletter – E.Lammerding

- Report provided:

Concerning the Newsletter, just a reminder to get anything you want in there to me by May 15th. Sooner whenever possible. I do not have a large article to add about something new, if you do, please...

- I do have Irene's and my tales from last summer, that were omitted from the Dec. issue because of the LFCE story.

- I have pictures from Louis from the Banquet, but if anyone took a picture of our 2 Centenarians please send it to me. I forgot to remind Louis to get a picture of them and Mary Buhr, and the same with our 70 yr grads.

-I have also decided to write our own story of Mary Buhr, with a unique twist. Mary will step down as Dean at the end of 2019. I would like each of our President's to write a paragraph or two of their experiences with Mary during her 10 1/2 yr. reign.

I have emails of Eric, Mayson, Luke, Louis, Bryan, and Blair. I need contact info for Grant Wood, Jill Turner, Jeff Schoenau and Carl Lynn. Carl may be a stretch as I heard he moved out of the province. Sadly for us, we'll have to skip Terry Tollefson, unless someone has an idea.

- The Newsletter worry was unfounded. Canada Post had re-calibrated weights on mailouts, and simply sent us a bill that charged us that much more. There were no returned Newsletters.

Unless something has shown up at our mailing address since the last meeting, Vern and Hamish have nothing to change regarding addresses.

Development Office and Alumni Relations Report

- No report
- Comment at meeting that there will be an invitation for SAGA to attend convocation

Crop Production Week – K. Head

- AGM is next week

Membership/Website – V. Racz/K.Head

- Report provided (V. Racz):
 - Have talked with Keith and Dennis and our website manager and seems for nominal cost \$20.00 / hour we can send out newsletters etc. we can work this out with Hamish for our next mailouts.

Discussion at meeting:

- Looking at upgrading our website
- Sending newsletter
 - Through our website manager – newsletter would be a link not an attached pdf
 - Students/faculty would still need to go through College
- Comment re: Empty Saddles. There are several names that do not have an obit, if anyone has them send them or a link to Keith and he will put them up.

Hall of Fame – B. Harvey

- AGM was last week, new Board was elected
- April 27 is the induction ceremony

MAL –I. Aherne, B. Cummins

- Blair and Mayson have been discussing a sponsor for Farms Progress (June 27), Cheers for Peers

Vice President –

- No report

Past President – M. Maerz

- Working on Hon Life members
- Discussion around creating another award in addition to the HL

President Report –E. Johnson

- SAGA participated with a team in the Calcutta Bowling and in purchasing teams in the auction.
- **MOTION:** SAGA reimburse Eric Johnson \$210.00 for sponsoring Calcutta bowling M. Maerz CARRIED.

MOTION: Accept Reports: B. Cummins CARRIED.

8. New / Other business

- Resignation: Accept with regret the resignation of Owen Olfert (Vice-President)
- Free/reduced fee tickets:
 - Discussion around providing free tickets for old grads, there were some suggestions from some of them not to worry about them.
 - Discussion: possibly should give a break to the younger grads

MOTION: For the 202 Reunion no free tickets will be provided for the old grads and grads 20 years and less will pay \$55/ticket early registration (with an appropriate increase for late registration). B Harvey CARRIED

- Note: to be reviewed in one year
- Note: will still be a table for ASA plus two Scholarship and Honorary Life provided for free

9. Date of Next Meetings

- TUESDAY September 17th at 7:00
- TUESDAY October 8th at 7:00

10. Meeting Adjourned at 8:24 pm by E. Johnson