# Iowa State University Agricultural Business Club Main Meeting Minutes February 28, 2013

The regular meeting of the Iowa State University Agricultural Business Club was held Thursday February, 28, 2013 in 1352 Gilman. President Jordan Vittetoe called the meeting to order at 6:03pm. There were 99 students present.

### Officer Reports:

- o Secretary: Minutes of January 2013 meeting were briefed by Lacey Hankins. Approved by Club members.
- o Treasurer: Jake Holschlag announced the current balance available \$20,640.57.
- o Ag Council: Breanne Wagner and Morgan Sladek reported that the Best Butts Dance raised over \$2,600.
- o Reporters: None
- o Historians: Make sure to see Lacey if you come in late so you are counted for perfect attendance.

### **Speaker: Joel Mortenson, Farm Credit Services**

Joel Mortenson is a proud Iowa State Agricultural Business graduate from Farm Credit Services who is currently a Financial Officer at the Carroll location. Mortenson described the various parts of their business, how they can help their customers, as well as how they can provide employment for Ag Business graduates as well. He reminded the club members of the importance of internships, as he said have never gone out of style. Joel also shared graphs with various CSR and yield maps for the state of Iowa.

#### **Committee Reports - VP Marcie Stevenson,**

- o Banquet: Sold 253 tickets. Mandatory event for: Officers, Committee co-chairs and scholarship recipients.
- o Special Projects: Overview of Ski Trip in Afton Alps, MN. 39 members attended and had a great time.
- Publicity: Club t-shirts available. \$10 short sleeve and \$15 long sleeve. See Carol in 174 Heady by Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>.
- VEISHEA: Same food on menu as last year. Booth open on Saturday April 20<sup>th</sup>. We need members to volunteer to help!
- AAEA: Class begins week after Spring Break. 6 people needed to go to Washington D.C.

## Meet the Prof: Dr. Kevin Kimle, Professor in Economics

Dr. Kimle's word of wisdom to the Club and Ag Business majors was to remember "churn." Innovation is important for the industry, our club, and our futures. In order for this to occur we must do a good job of mixing up our success and failures to produce a complete product that will succeed.

### **New Business:**

- o Ben Zelle displayed the Club's current webpage. He provided additional options to make it more convienent for Exec and Publicity to update since he will be graduating. The motion was approved.
- o **Member of the Month:** Donna McCune- hard work in planning the ski trip.
- o New Member: Locky Catron Old Member: Julie Haugen

#### **Old Business:**

o Constitutional Amendment, was properly moved, seconded and passed by the club members.

#### **Advisor Comments:**

 Dr. Deiter- "Show up in good condition! There are many industry reps attending and we are looking forward to it."

### **Drawings:**

o Guess the Member: Stacy Fitzpatrick,

Wheel of Fortune: Stacy Fitzpatrick won \$20

#### **Announcements:**

- Banquet Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - 9am check-in, 9:30 start
  - Dress Business Casual
- o Next meeting will be March 28<sup>th</sup> in Gilman, but looking for additional options.
- o Winners of a free Club t-shirt goes to Calvin McBride and Casey Jones.

President, Jordan Vittetoe, adjourned the meeting at 7:16pm.