

Iowa State Agricultural Business Club
Meeting Minutes
February 3, 2011

The regular meeting of the Iowa State University Agricultural Business Club was held Thursday, February 3, 2011 in 2050 Agronomy Hall. President Andy Chamra called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Officer Reports

- *Secretary:* Minutes from the December 2nd meeting were read by Bethany Olson and were approved as read.
- *Treasurer:* Tory Mogler reported our current balance as \$29,945.96. He also announced that if any members were planning on going on the ski trip, they should give money to him or Carol in 174 Heady.
- *Ag Council:* Junior representative, Nathan Johnston, announced the upcoming “Best Butts” fundraiser event and encouraged club members to think about who should represent our club so it can be voted on at the next meeting.
- *Reporters:* Amber and Julie reminded members to notify them if any member is not receiving the monthly newsletter.
- *Historians:* Marissa informed the club they are currently shopping for a new club camera.

Committee Reports

* Vice President, Kaci Demott, introduced the new committee members. Reports were given by:

- *“Outgoing” Banquet Committee:* Melinda Hoylman and Darrin Rahn went over details for the club’s upcoming banquet, which is to be held Saturday, March 5 at 9:30 a.m. Check in begins at 9 a.m. in the Scheman building. Club member tickets are \$10, Parent/Guest tickets are \$15.
- *Special Projects:* Joel Pudenz announced the upcoming club ski trip. The club will be going to Afton Alps in Minnesota on an over-night trip on February 18th-19th. Cost of the trip is \$50 per person, and members must sign up before Monday, February 7. He also asked for ISU certified van drivers in the club to drive.

-Dakota Hoben is running for GSB President and spoke to the club briefly about his action plan that focuses on classrooms, clubs, and community. He asked for a financial endorsement from the Ag Business Club and encouraged members to vote on March 7th-8th. The officer team made the executive decision to support Dakota and granted him a \$250 endorsement.

-Carly Cummings introduced Jodi Doyle from Syngenta as this month’s speaker. Jodi gave an excellent presentation that briefly outlined the company and the company’s professional internship program. She made an excellent point in saying an internship is like “a three-month interview.” She also gave some helpful hints on how to select a company to work for.

-Amber Broulik introduced Dr. Ebby Luvaga as our Meet the Prof. for February. Ebby is the freshman advisor in the Department of Economics, so most of the club members have had her as an advisor at one point in time. She gave a very interesting background of her life and where she is from that most students had never heard before.

Old Business

December Member of the Month was Chelsy Sonnichson.

New Business

- Marissa and Stacey reported on the Club Officer Retreat, which was held at Rain and Hail in Johnston, IA on January 17, 2011. At the retreat, committee chair positions were appointed, club goals were made, the yearly budget was set, and the exec team was given a tour of the company.

- 2011 Club Goals: Andy Chamra read all new Club goals for 2011
- 2011 Club Budget: Tory Mogler reviewed the 2011 budget.
 - Before the budget was approved, Darrin Rahn had discussion about awarding banquet tickets to members in perfect attendance of club meetings throughout the academic semester
 - Lisa Tronchetti made a motion to amend the 2011 Club Budget by reallocating \$250 to the Banquet section of the budget.
 - Charlie White seconded the motion.
 - The amendment was voted on and passed.
 - Ross Payne made a motion to approve the amended budget for 2011.
 - Darrin Rahn seconded the motion.
 - The Club Budget for 2011, with the amendment, was voted on and passed.
- February Member of the Month: Neil Krummen was awarded Member of the Month for his year of service as Club President and his active participation in a variety of club activities.
- New/Old Member Introductions: New Member of the month was Rebecca Jardon and Old Member of the month was Kurtis Dop.
- Grant Christensen (former Ag Business club member) spoke to the club about his experience with I-CAL and encouraged members to take advantage of the opportunities the I-CAL program has to offer by applying by February 15th.

Advisor Comments

- *Dr. Deiter* stressed the acronym TEAM: Together Everyone Accomplishes More. The exec team and committees will accomplish more if they all work together as a team!
- *Dr. Edwards* encouraged club members to start thinking about the AAEA Quiz Bowl in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania this summer. He reminded members to sign up for the 2nd half of the semester Quiz Bowl class.

Drawings

- Jacob Aizikovitz won \$5 for correctly guessing Bria Vogt in Guess the Member.
- Brittany Weaver won \$20 in the Wheel of Fortune game.

Announcements

- Banquet is March 5th – Tickets are available in 174 Heady Hall
- CALS Scholarship Application DUE February 15th
- Ag Business Club Scholarship/Outstanding Member Applications DUE February 15th
- Kaci reminded everyone about the committee chair meeting on February 9th at 7 p.m. at Pizza Hut

A motion to adjourn the meeting was properly made by Jacob Aizikovitz and seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.