

Iowa State University Agricultural Business Club  
Main Meeting Minutes  
September 12, 2013

The regular meeting of the Iowa State University Agricultural Business Club was held Thursday August, 29, 2013 in 0001 Carver Hall. President Jordan Vittetoe called the meeting to order at 6:11pm. There were 181 students present.

**Officer Reports:**

- Secretary: Minutes of August 29, 2013 meeting were briefed by Lacey Hankins. Approved by Club members.
- Treasurer: Jake Holschlag announced the current balance available \$32,413.00.
- Ag Council: Mr. CALS final representatives will be chosen at end of meeting

**Meet the Prof: Dr. Valentina Salotti, Assistant Professor of Finance**

Dr. Salotti was born and raised in Bolgona, Italy. Valentina has a BA in Economics, a Master in Finance and received her Ph.D in 2009. She then began teaching Finance 301, which all Ag Business majors must take. A few words, which Salotti left with the club members to think about, "figure out who you are and what you do best, then you will be successful and enjoy your life."

**New Business:**

- Member of the month: Luke Gosse
- Old Member: Nathan Johnston, Ag Business Alumni working for Union Pacific Railroad.
- New Member: Julie Callison, Transfer student
- Alpha Zeta Canned Food Drive: It was properly moved and seconded that the club would match up to \$500 in canned food for the CALS Dance for the severe need of nonperishable food items in Ames.

**Guest Speaker: Craig Spray, Beck's Hybrids, Sales Development Lead**

Craig grew up around Lafayette, Indiana where he then attended Purdue University majoring in Agricultural Economics, being a part of the livestock judging team. After graduating in 2002, Spray took a position as a District Sales Associate with Beck's Hybrids, located in Atlanta, Indiana. Craig shared the story of Beck's Hybrids with club members and opportunities they have available. Beck's the largest family owned seed business, which has doubled in size approximately every 4-5 years. "Beck's isn't selling you a bag a seed, but rather a stand of corn."

**Committee Reports:**

- Special Projects: FIT: Parking in Molecular Biology Parking Lot leaving promptly at 12:30pm on Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup>. Make sure to turn in your risk management forms if attending.
- Finance and Fundraising: Golf Tournament Friday at Cold Water Course. Check-in by 11:45am and T-off will take place at 12:30pm.
- Publicity: Club Polo's are in see Carol in 174 Heady.
- R&R: Corn hole and Ice Skating events for fall activities. Further details to come.

**Advisor Comments:**

- Dr. Deiter: He is looking forward to working with our newest sponsor Beck's Hybrids. "Students, take in the moment, and make the most of your time here. You're only here a short while and before you know it, it'll be gone. Enjoy the moment!"

**Drawings:**

- **Guess the Member:** Ridge Erdman
- **Wheel of Fortune:** Garrett Ley won \$20. 1 in 4 chances

**Announcements:**

- Mr. CALS : Two representatives from our Club: Andrew Luzam and Austin Kessler. Final Competition September 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Golf Tournament: Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup> Coldwater Golf Course
- Fall Industry Tour will take place in Central Illinois-Thursday, Sept 19- Saturday, Sept 21.
- Next Meeting October 10<sup>th</sup> Carver 0001
- Roadside Clean Up October 22<sup>nd</sup>

President, Jordan Vittetoe, adjourned the meeting at 7:25pm.