

Iowa State University Agricultural Business Club

Main Meeting Minutes

August 27th, 2015

The regular meeting of the Iowa State University Agricultural Business Club was held Thursday August 27th in Lush Auditorium in Kildee Hall. President Adelai Swanson called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. There were 234 members present.

Officer Reports:

- Secretary: Minutes of the April meeting were briefed by Joni Erwin. Approved by Club members.
- Treasurer: Andrew Luzum announced the current balance available \$23,276.73.
- Ag Council: CALS Week is the next event the council is working on. It will be October 5th-9th.
- Reporters: The facebook page broke 500 likes this summer and be sure to follow us on all social media!
- Historian: Please let the historians know if you have any suggestions for food. Next meeting will be a potato bar.

Guest Speaker: Nicki Cortum and Ryan Jardon from John Deere

Both Nicki and Ryan grew up on farms in Iowa and graduated from Iowa State in 2010. Nicki obtained a degree in PSA and Ryan obtained a degree in Ag Systems Technology. Both of them also had internships with John Deere and started with the company after graduation. Nicki currently serves as a financial product marketing manager and Ryan works in product support planning. After going into detail about their backgrounds they provided the club with advice for successful college careers. This included getting involved, get internships, study abroad, and use the resources available to you. They also provided advice for people pursuing internships with Deere. They are looking for a candidate with leadership experience, internships, personal differentiators, quantifying your work, and GPA.

Committee Reports: All Committees stood to introduce themselves for the new club members. Below are the committees that had information to report.

- Recruitment & Social: We will be hosting a club tailgate at the ISU vs. TCU Football Game on October 17th
- Sponsor Relations: The committee restructured the sponsorships level this year including two new levels of membership. They are also planning the golf outing, which will be on October 2nd. Sign up in 174 Heady.
- Travel: The fall industry tour will be September 24th-26th and we will be traveling to Kansas City. We will be visiting Federal Reserve Bank, Bayer CropScience, and Lansing as well as attending a Royals game. Sign up for industry tour will be on September 10th in 174 Heady.

Meet the Prof: Dr. Terry Alexander Economics Department

Dr. Alexander is a senior lecturer for the Economics Department. He teaches Econ 101, 102, 302, and 431. He also advises Economics students. He is originally from the east coast and grew up in Washington DC. When he graduated high school he worked as electrician before deciding to go to college. After completing his undergraduate degree he then went on to graduate school at the University of Maryland. While in grad school he met his wife and she eventually brought him to Iowa and he has been teaching here for 21 years. He encouraged students to get outside their comfort zones and also focus on their grades and education.

Member of the month: Jensen Sangren

New/Old Member: Callen Duffy / Kaci Keitzer

Drawings

- **Guess the Member:** Erin Patchen **Winner:** Ryan Morrison
- **Wheel of Fortune:** Katie Klaes (\$20)

Advisor Comments:

- Amy Brandau: Thank you to everyone that came to the first meeting. The first meeting can be intimidating for the new members so she encouraged older members to introduce themselves to younger members.
- Dr. Deiter: "You get out of this club what you put into it." He encouraged members to stay involved with the club and also take the advice that was given at the meeting.
- Georganne Artz: The club had an excellent showing at the annual AAEA summer meeting and brought home many awards and honors. She also encouraged incoming students to focus on building themselves not just their resume.

Announcements:

- Next Meeting: September 17th
- Club Apparel Orders Due: September 11th
- AFA Leaders Conference Applications due: September 11th
- Fall Industry Tour: September 24th-26th
- Golf Tournament: October 2nd
- CALS Week: October 5th-9th
- Club Tailgate: October 17th

President, Adelai Swanson, adjourned the meeting at 8:13 pm.