

Iowa State University Agricultural Business Club

Main Meeting Minutes

December 3, 2015

The regular meeting of the Iowa State University Agricultural Business Club was held Thursday December 3rd, 2015 in 101 Design. President Joni Erwin called the meeting to order at 6:02PM. There were 134 members present.

Officer Reports:

- Secretary: Minutes of the November meeting were briefed by Catherine Hayes. Approved by Club members.
- Treasurer: Nathan Hrubes announced the current balance available \$14,934.35
- Ag Council: Sr. Council, Trey Forsyth, was elected CALS president. Elections for new Sr. CALS representative will be held at today's meeting.
- Reporters: Introduction of new reporters, Brandon Klaes and Hanna Mendenhall. Follow us on Instagram @isuagbus and Facebook to stay updated with events and meetings.

Guest Speaker: Alan Erickson – Farm Credit Services of America

Alan Erickson is with Farm Credit Services of America. A financial services cooperative that provides credit and insurance services for farmers, ranchers, agribusiness and rural residents. Farm Credit Services is a well-valued partner of our Agricultural Business Club.

Committee Reports:

- Banquet: March 5th Starts at 9:00pm. \$10.00 tickets, perfect attendance awards you a free ticket.

Meet the Prof: David Baker – Beginning Farmer Center

David Baker is a farm transition specialist with ISU Extension and Outreach and the Beginning Farmer Center. He received his MBA in Business Management at Southwest Minnesota State University in 2004. David received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Facility Management at Troy University 1979. Prior to working at Iowa State, he owned and managed a diversified livestock and crop farm in Northwest Iowa. He now works with families to transition farm assets over to the next generation and help preserve family farm business by matching beginning farmers who do not own land, with retiring farmers who do not have heirs to continue the family farm business.

CALS Council Election: Izak Christensen elected as the new Sr. CALS Representative

New Business:

- **Member of the month:** Kim Dornbier
- **New/Old Member:** Austin Pueschel/Andrew Luzum
- **Senior Panel**

Drawings

- **Guess the Member:** Reed Burres Winner: Natalina Sents
- **Wheel of Fortune:** George Farrell (\$40)
- **Perfect Attendance Drawings (\$100):** Quinn Emerson (Freshmen), Pat Morrison (Sophomore), Lucretia Mangrich (Junior), Shannon Hoyle (Senior)
- **Holiday Present drawing**
- **Best Christmas Sweater gift:** Isaac Ambrosy

Farm Credit Endowment Announcement

Farm Credit Services of America honored the club with an endowment of \$100,000 dollars. This fund is to be contributed to the future of the Agricultural Business Club to ensure we have funds available to continue our success.

Advisor Comments:

- Dr. Deiter: Thank you to Farm Credit Services! Put more emphasis on attaining your dream job vs. how much you get paid. As the new football coach said, "Greatness is a Choice." Have a chance to make a difference. Remember to say Thank You. Feeling gratefulness without expressing it is like wrapping a Christmas present and not unwrapping it. Thank you, Thank you, to Farm Credit Services for being our most valued partner.

Announcements:

- Officers Retreat Jan. 8th
- Committee Chair Applications due Friday, Dec. 18th in 174 Heady Hall
- Banquet is March 5th in the Scheman Building

President, Joni Erwin, adjourned the meeting at 7:35 pm.