

Iowa State University  
Agricultural Business Club  
Main Meeting Minutes  
January 26, 2017

The regular meeting of the Iowa State University Agricultural Business Club was held Thursday, January 26, 2017 Kildee Lush Auditorium. President Marc Thronson called the meeting to order at 6:04PM. There were 141 members present.

Officer Reports

Vice President: The committee orientation night was successful and the new committee goals were excellent  
Secretary: Minutes of the December meeting were briefed by Allison Bastian and approved by Club members.  
Treasurer: Craig Welter announced the current balance available \$51,480.00  
CALSA Council: Sigma Alpha Recruitment is Jan. 31-Feb. 2 7-8 in Kildee, Vermeer Scholars app due Feb. 1, Beginning Farmers conference is Feb. 4 at 8:30a.m., and CALS senate position open until Jan. 30.  
Reporters: Up to 404 likes on Facebook, Guess the Member was Becca Dunahoo, Won by Hailey Stolt  
Historians: Hickory Park was served at this meeting. Asked members not to throw away cans with liquid left in them.

Meet the Prof: Sergio Lence, Econ Professor. He was born and raised in Argentina where he went to school with 5 other students in a single room schoolhouse. He studied agronomy in college and planned to go back to farm. He prefers to research risk management and trade policy. His biggest adjustment coming to Ames was not being on the farm and being in a large city.

Committee Reports

Banquet: March 4<sup>th</sup>, tickets are available in 174 Heady, \$10 for club members, \$15 for non-members  
Sponsor Relations: Annual Leadership Dinner will be held on January 31<sup>st</sup> at 4:30. The Golf Outing has been scheduled for September 29<sup>th</sup>.  
Travel: Ski Trip on Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>, \$80. The bus is leaving at 6 a.m.

Member of the month: Kyle Bates

New/Old Member: Cole Neese/BreAnn Fisher

Guest Speaker: Chris Schulte and Dillon Brummer from Lansing Trade Group. Chris is an alumni of ISU. They trade grain, feed ingredients, and energy along with freight. Lansing has a storage capacity of 66 million bushels and the bulk of their trading they do is trading without facilities. Lansing offers a Merchandiser in Training Program for recently graduated new hires that take 6 months to complete. Lansing has a total of 400 employees of which 70 are traders. They offer an operations internship and a merchandising internship based out of Kansas City. They said ambition, entrepreneurial spirit, and being able to think on your own are good traits for new merchandisers with little experience.

New Business: The 2017 Exec Goals were presented by club president, Marc Thronson, it was voted on and approved by club members. The 2017 Budget was presented by club treasurer, Craig Welter, it was voted on and approved by club members. The president, Marc Thronson, presented the new Travel Code of Conduct Policy, it was voted on and approved by club members.

Advisor Comments: Dr. Deiter touched on how people do not always stick with their New Year goals and resolution. He suggested new resolutions for club members that were to show up and be humble and kind. All leaders of the club must show up to events and all members to their classes. He also presented ways to be humble and kind as individuals.

Drawings

Wheel of Fortune: Michelle Winkie won \$20.00

Are You Here!?: With new semester it started at \$50. The \$50 will roll over to next month for a chance to win \$100.

Announcements:

Ski Trip February 4<sup>th</sup>

Banquet March 4<sup>th</sup>

Vermeer leadership app

Club Scholarships due Feb 15<sup>th</sup>

Future Meetings: February 23, March 30, April 20

President, Marc Thronson, adjourned the meeting at 7:07pm