

Agricultural Business Club at Iowa State University

Main Meeting Minutes

October 19th 2023

The regular meeting of the Iowa State University Agricultural Business Club was held on October 19th, 2023, in Gilman 1352. President Adam Knoblock called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. There were 117 members present.

Officer Reports:

- **Secretary:** The minutes of the September meeting were briefed by Jessica Woodall. Approved by club members.
- **Treasurer:** Theo Klaes announced the current balance available is \$34,427.57. Approved by club members.
- **CALS Council:**
 - Great job to our Mr. CALS Rep and CALS Olympic team that competed.
 - Nominate seniors for a CALS Senior Award.
- **Reporters:** Follow our social media! Continue to like, share, and comment all the posts! Take lots of pictures!
 - Day in the Life of an Agricultural Business Student
 - Send social media flyers or anything to Kelsey Henderson (khend@iastate.edu) or Lauren Marks (lmarks@iastate.edu)
 - Social Media Spotlight: Megan Reck
 - Internship Highlight: Lauren Zaabel
- **Logistics Coordinators:** We hope you enjoyed the meal!

Committee Reports:

- Banquet Committee
 - Agriculture Business Club & Alumni 13th Annual Tailgate
 - When: November 4th, 2023
 - Location: Auxiliary Tent - will be sent out 2 weeks prior
 - Open to alumni and guests, sponsors, faculty, and current members!
- Ag Alliance Kickoff
 - Thank you to everyone that attended!
 - Keep an eye out for an email from Chelsey on the next month's themes!
- CALS Career Day
 - Thank you to everyone that attended the Pre-Career Fair Mixer and made it a special event!
- Professional Meetings
 - Trivia Night
 - Where: 368A
 - When: Thursday, October 26th, at 6pm
 - Prizes: First, Second, Best Dressed teams

- Signup: In your email; 4 person teams
- New Member Engagement
 - Committee chairs please let me know when you are having meetings.
 - Committee chairs please be on the lookout for future emails.
 - Planning end of year event
- Publicity
 - Pick up your polos in Heady 0174 this week!
- Sponsor Relations
 - Thank you to everyone that attended the golf outing!
 - Diane sent out an email on who still needs to pick up their prizes. If you haven't picked your prize up by next Friday (10/27) Diane will forfeit them!

Guest Speakers: Craig Welter; Hertz Farm Management

Craig is a Professional Farm Manager with Hertz Farm Management in their Nevada office, managing, selling, and acquiring farmland for clients across central Iowa. He has been with Hertz since graduating from Iowa State with a degree in Agricultural Business in 2018. Craig is originally from a farm in eastern Iowa near Monticello and now resides in Nevada with his wife, Mandi, and their golden retriever, Melvin.

Meet the Professor: Jim Groepper; Economic Professor

Jim Groepper is in his third year of teaching at Iowa State. Before coming here, he spent 43 years of his career in the agricultural industry. All those years were on the crop side of the business, specifically in seed sales, marketing, and management roles. He worked for both Syngenta and Corteva. Jim also started and owned a seed company before selling it to Simplot. Now, Jim is busy doing limited business consulting and working part time at Iowa State. We are exciting to hear from you today!

Old Business

- Dawn Advisor Voting - Passed

New Business:

- Learn about leadership opportunities in the club!
 - Date: Thursday, November 2nd
 - Time: 5:30pm
 - Location: Horticulture 0118
 - Dinner provided!
- Jim Knuth Lecture Series
 - When: Wednesday, November 1st at 6:30 pm
 - Where: Horticulture Hall 0118
 - Who: Roger C. Underwood
 - Ag Tech Innovator and Investor
 - Refreshments at 6:00 pm

- Open to the public!
- Food Insecurity Challenge
 - Hunger Banquet Kick-Off
 - October 23, 2023, 5-8pm, Gerdin Business Building, Kingland Hub
 - Final Presentations & Awards
 - November 6, 2023, 5-8pm, Memorial Union
 - 1st Place: \$5,000
 - 2nd Place: \$2,500
 - 3rd Place: \$1,500
- Ag Business Kickball
 - Exec team came away victorious from that night!

Member Recognition:

- Member of the Month: Megan Funke
- New Member of the Month: Claire Carpenter
- Old Member of the Month: Michelle Anderson

Advisor Comments: Dawn – Faculty Advisor

- Keep going at this semester!
- Your professors are here to help you!

Drawings:

- Are You Here?: Member drawn was not in attendance. Chance for \$200 at the November meeting.
- Wheel of Fortune: Morgan Schabacker won \$100 from the G!

Announcements:

Upcoming Events – Fall 2023

Activity	Date	Time
Jim Knuth Lecture	Wednesday, November 1 st	6:00 Social; 6:30 Program
Leadership Opportunities Meeting	Thursday, November 2nd	5:30 Informational Meeting
November Meeting	Thursday, November 9th	5:30 Social; 6:00 Meeting
Election Meeting	Thursday, November 30th	5:30 Social; 6:00 Meeting

President Adam Knoblock adjourned the meeting at 7:03 PM.