

Agricultural Business Club at Iowa State University

Main Meeting Minutes

September 19, 2024

The regular meeting of the Iowa State University Agricultural Business Club was held on September 19th, in Kildee Hall, Lush Auditorium. President Jack Campbell called the meeting to order at 6:11 PM. There were 184 members present.

Officer Reports:

- **Secretary:** The minutes of the August meeting were briefed by Maddie Orewiler. Approved by club members.
- **Treasurer:** Chase Johnston announced the current balance available is \$69,213.51. Approved by club members.
- **CALS Council:** CALS Week is here! Head to campus for free lunch and activities throughout the week! There are workshops being put on through CALS to strengthen your public speaking skills.
- **Reporters:** Follow our social media to see everything happening within the club! Internship Spotlight: Macey McKenna. Social Media Spotlight: Lincoln Stover, Jonathan McCrea, and Michelle Anderson.
- **Logistics Coordinators:** Thank you for coming! We hope you enjoyed the food.

Committee Reports:

- **Ag Alliance:** There are 17 days until the night before career fair! Thank you to everyone who signed up to be part of the Ag Alliance Mentorship Program. Please reach out with any questions!
- **Banquet:** The Agricultural Business Club Homecoming Tailgate will take place on Saturday, November 2nd.
- **CALS Career Day:** The Pre-Career Fair Mixer will be on Monday, October 7th. Please RSVP for the event.
- **New Member Engagement:** Congrats to the members who were elected to the New Member Engagement Committee! Selected include Eva Beck, Hunter Sieren, Riley Lerdal, Madison Van Zee, Logan Brand, Dalton Kruger, Lane Sommerfelt, and Zachary Chambers.
- **Philanthropy and Service:** Thank you to those that wore jeans tonight! The Agricultural Business Club is matching the amount raised totaling \$1,520 being donated to the Boys and Girls Club! The Fall Roadside Clean Up date is scheduled for Thursday, October 3rd.
- **Professional Meetings:** Be on the lookout for information about trivia night!
- **Publicity:** Orders for club polos have been finalized.
- **Recruitment and Social:** Be on the lookout for a kickball tournament sign-up coming soon!
- **Sponsor Relations:** The Golf Outing is on Friday, September 27th, at Coldwater Golf Course in Ames. There will be an email with more information coming.

- **Travel:** The Fall Industry Tour will be October 24th – October 25th to Omaha and Kansas City. The sign-up will be in Heady 0174 the first week of October.

Guest Speakers: Jason Fagan – Wyffels Hybrids

- Jason is a 2005 graduate from Iowa State Majoring in Ag Studies with a minor in Agronomy. Following graduation, Jason went to work for FC Coop as a Field Sales Agronomist where he developed a passion for the seed business. In 2009 Jason took a District Sales Managers job with Wyffels Hybrids where he managed 4 counties in central Iowa. In 2014 he was promoted to a Regional Sales Manager and managed nine District Sales Managers in Southeast Iowa until this past July when Jason took a new role as Business Relations Manager for Wyffels. Jason lives in Earlham, Iowa with his wife Jen and their 4 kids.

Meet the Faculty: Dr. Darin Wohlgemuth - Department of Economics

- Dr. Darin Wohlgemuth is an Associate Teaching Professor in the Economics Department at Iowa State University. He earned his Master's and Ph.D. in Economics at Iowa State University. His career includes several years in Enrollment Services where he led a research group in Admissions, Financial Aid and the Registrar's Office developing enrollment forecasts and strategies for recruitment and retention of students. In 2018 he joined the Department of Economics full-time as a teaching faculty and academic advisor. He is the co-advisor to the Undergraduate Economics Club and the Director of Undergraduate Programs for the Economics Dept.

Old Business:

- The club voted Dr. Amani Elobeid to serve another term as a club advisor.
- Mr. CALS/CALS Olympics

New Business:

- None

Member Recognition:

- Member of the Month: Theo Klaes
- New Member of the Month: Erik Steen
- Old Member of the Month: Lauren Zaabel

Advisor Comments: Craig Welter – Industry Advisor

Industry Advisor, Craig Welter offered career fair advice.

- Practice and prepare – do your homework and ask questions!
- Smile and have confidence!
- Be authentic. We want to learn more about you while you learn more about us.

- Say thank you!

Drawings:

- Are You Here?: Delaney Nichols won \$50!
- Wheel of Fortune: Carson Ruen won \$20 from the A!

Announcements:

- The Iowa Chapter of the American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers awards up to seven, \$1,250 scholarships. The online applications are due Friday, October 11, 2024. Interviews will take place at Iowa State on October 22.
- The CALS Career Fair is looking for volunteers to help set up.

Activity	Date	Time
Etiquette Dinner	Thursday, September 26 th	5:00 Check-in; 5:45 Start
Golf Outing	Friday, September 27 th	8:30 Check-in; 10:00 Golf
Ag Alliance	Monday, October 7 th	4:45 Check-in, 5:00 Dinner
Pre-Career Day Mixer	Monday, October 7 th	6:30 Check-in; 7:00 Start
October Meeting	Thursday, October 17 th	5:30 Social; 6:00 Meeting
Jim Knuth Lecture Series	Tuesday, November 5 th	6:00 Social; 6:30 Lecture
November Meeting	Thursday, November 21 st	5:30 Social; 6:00 Meeting
Election Meeting	Thursday, December 5 th	5:30 Social; 6:00 Meeting

President Jack Campbell adjourned the meeting at 7:06 PM.