

FOOD INDUSTRY GROUP BOARD MEETING

Minutes

September 26, 2009

Food Science Building, Room 252

Attendees: Members at Large

Welcome (Tim Risser)

- Tim Risser opened the meeting at 2:05pm

Secretary's Report (Elizabeth Lenihan)

- Elizabeth Lenihan reviewed the minutes from the July 10, 2009 meeting.
- Motion was made to approve the minutes and passed.

Treasurer's Report (Bruce Kiefer)

- Bruce Kiefer presented the Treasurer's report: (see attached for more details)
- Our account balance is \$8,320.17
- Membership is 90 active members
- Motion was made to approve the treasurer's report and passed.

Food Science Club Report (Alex Youst)

- The beginning of the school year is off to a busy start with 3 major activities including Food Science Annual Tailgate, Harvest Fest, and Ag Olympics
- 3 Food Science Club meetings have been held to date, including an information session on the club, a presentation from FIG, and a visit from Heinz Co.
- Thank you to all companies who donated product for the Annual Tailgate. A recognition board was posted in the tent.

Rewards and Recognition Committee (Larry Campbell)

- Hilary Peterson was recognized as the 2009 FIG Student Leadership Award Winner. She was presented with a Nittany Lion statue and her name was engraved on the award plaque, which is posted in the Food Science Building
- Hilary was an impressive applicant, whose list of accomplishments include leadership in 6 organizations (including Food Science, Ag Council, and IFT), 3 internships (1 at Kraft and 2 at Hershey), a GPA greater than 3.5, numerous scholarships and honors awarded, and creation of Harvest to Household activity, which aims to increase awareness of Agricultural Sciences. <http://foodscience.psu.edu/industry/fig/student-leadership-awards/2009-student-leadership-award>

Student Support Committee (Jerry Rundle)

- Jerry attended a recent Food Science Club meeting to explain the role of FIG. Topics included: LinkedIn.com, Food Industry Day, and the depth of experience available in FIG to help with projects

Membership & Communications (Ferlin Patrick)

- A new brochure and business cards were reviewed at the meeting. A motion was made and passed to accept the brochure and cards.

Agriculture Alumni Society Update (Larry Campbell)

- New officers have been elected including Roxanne Molnar as Financial Secretary, a 1999 Food Science graduate
- CAAS has a number of major projects including giving over \$10,000 in student scholarships and \$7,000 in internship awards, as well as support to graduating seniors.
- CAAS recognizes outstanding alumni with awards and supports the Armsby Honor Society
- A new program to help support APG's (like FIG) is the designation of \$1500 to be awarded (\$500 each to 3 APG's) to address one or more of the following areas:
 - Increase student participation in APG activities;
 - Increase alumni participation in student-focused APG activities;
 - Foster APGs communication with individual students, clubs, teams and Ag Student Council;
 - Increase alumni participation in College and University-wide events for students such as the Ag Career Day, Ag Leap picnic, College Welcome Fair, club meetings, Penn State Alumni Association's senior sendoff and Ag Student Council; and
 - Assist the College's Undergraduate Education Office with student recruitment.
- FIG will apply for an award. The deadline is November 30. Liz Lenihan will initiate the discussion through email

New FIG Initiatives (Tim Risser)

- Keystone IFT November Meeting
 - This meeting will be joint sponsored by the IFT Keystone section, FIG and Food Science club
 - It will start with a workshop for the students with a representative from Career Services, followed by Mock Interviews. **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR MOCK INTERVIEWS**
 - Social and dinner time will follow, with the keynote speaker Christine Clark, who specializes in Sports Nutrition
- FIG Student Financial Support
 - Lauren Steinburg provided information on the difference between a grant and endowment. At the Spring FIG meeting, the board will discuss the options
 - To get started, a silent auction was held at the annual tailgate. Items, winners and monies raised include:

<u>Lot</u>	<u>Winner</u>	<u>Winning Bid</u>
Wooden Wine Box w/ Accessories	McClafferty	\$20
H.J. Heinz Gift Basket	Steve Vasconcellos	\$40
Hershey's Gift Basket	Ron Dascenzo	\$45
Hershey's Gift Basket	Kerry Kaylegin	\$50
Hershey's Gift Basket	Steve Vasconcellos	\$50

Private Winery Tour and Tasting	Les Cutter	\$50
Hershey's Assorted Candy Basket	Judy Williams	\$50
Hershey's Gift Basket	Jerry Rundle	\$60
Hershey's Candy and Book Gift Basket	Kali Michaels	\$75
Wegman's Food Markets Gift Basket	Kali Michaels	\$100
Private Donation		\$50
Total		\$590

- Food Science Honors Society
 - FIG board has proposed criteria, which Penn State faculty and staff is reviewing in order to honor outstanding Penn State Food Science Alumni and Friends

Food Science Department Words (J. Floros)

- The College of Agricultural Sciences was facing a possible 18% and approximately an \$11.4 million shortfall in fiscal year 2009/10. Currently, it does not appear to be as drastic and final budgets will be approved in a few weeks
- A new website was launched for the Food Science Department.
<http://foodscience.psu.edu/>
- Undergraduate program enrollment:
 - 132 total undergraduate students, which may be the largest in the country
- Graduate program enrollment
 - 39 graduate students enrolled
- Robert Steele, former dean, joined the department as faculty on July 1, 2009

Next FIG Board meeting is scheduled for Spring of 2010!

For the future
THE CAMPAIGN FOR PENN STATE STUDENTS

College of Agricultural Sciences Campaign Objective	Goal
Ensuring Student Opportunity <i>Students with the ability and ambition to attend the University will have this opportunity through scholarship support.</i>	\$30,000,000
Enhancing Honors Education <i>Students of exceptional ability will experience the best honors education in the nation.</i>	\$2,000,000
Enriching the Student Experience <i>Students will thrive in a stimulating atmosphere that fosters global involvement, community service, creative expression, and personal growth.</i>	\$4,700,000
Building Faculty Strength and Capacity <i>Students will study with the finest teachers and researchers.</i>	\$17,600,000
Fostering Discovery and Creativity <i>Students and faculty members will come together within and across disciplines to pioneer new frontiers of knowledge.</i>	\$4,000,000
Sustaining a Tradition of Quality <i>Students will continue to work and study with faculty whose scholarship is enhanced by continuing philanthropic support.</i>	\$41,700,000
Total Working Goal	\$100,000,000

Ways to Give

Gifts of cash and securities support Penn State and help you with your tax burden, but there are other options that you might not be aware of:

- **2009 Charitable IRA Legislation** For donors aged 70½ or older, you can make a tax-free gift of up to \$100,000 from your IRA to Penn State is only available through Dec. 31, 2009.
- **Charitable Gift Annuity** An agreement in which you transfer cash or other assets to Penn State in exchange for its promise to pay you an annuity for life.
- **Charitable Remainder Annuity Trust** A type of trust that pays one or more beneficiaries a fixed amount, typically for life, then the balance to Penn State.
- **Charitable Remainder Unitrust** A type of trust that pays one or more beneficiaries a variable income for life, then the balance to Penn State.
- **Bequest in Will or Living Trust** A bequest is a gift or legacy left in your will or living trust, typically personal property or assets. A living trust is a revocable trust established by a grantor during his or her lifetime in which the grantor transfers some or all of his or her property into the trust.

Examples of Food Science Endowments

Frank J. Dudek and Janet Glasgow Dudek Excellence Endowment This program endowment was created to provide for ongoing purchases of lab equipment for the Department of Food Science.

Silvio and Edith Crespo Faculty Award in Chocolate Research This faculty award encourages outstanding research in the Department of Food Science that contributes to knowledge about chocolate and its source material, the cocoa bean.

Dean and Harriet Girton Scholarship in Food Science Endowed by Dean Girton (Class of 1960) and his wife Harriet, this scholarship is awarded to freshmen students enrolled or planning to enroll in the Department of Food Science who have achieved superior academic records or who manifest promise of outstanding academic success.

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