Food Industry Group Board Meeting
Minutes
October 9, 2010
Food Science Building, Room 252

Attendance: Members at Large

Welcome (Elizabeth Lenihan)
  • Elizabeth Lenihan opened the meeting at 8:07 am.

Secretary’s Report (Heather Arentz)
  • Heather Arentz reviewed the minutes from the July 9, 2010 meeting.
  • A motion was made to approve the minutes and the motion passed.

Treasurer’s Report (Bruce Kiefer)
  • Bruce Kiefer presented the Treasurer’s report (see attached for more details).
  • Our account balance is $8723.57.
  • Membership is 78 active members.

Food Science Club Update (Tim Poulterer)
  • There has been growth in the Food Science club.
  • With increased membership, there has been increased involvement including fundraising and committees.
  • They participated in Harvest Fest.
  • The club is trying to do more service events.
  • The club is hosting a blood drive in the HUB for the Penn State/Michigan State Blood Challenge
  • Throughout the year, the club has participated in social events and Food Industry Days.

Rewards and Recognition Committee (Larry Campbell)
  • Agnes Lim was recognized as the 2010 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.
  • Agnes was an impressive applicant. Her accomplishments include holding leaderships in numerous organizations including being the Vice President of the Food Science Club. She also served as Undergraduate Research Competition Director for IFTSA and Secretary for the International Student Council. She had a GPA greater than 3.5. [link](http://foodscience.psu.edu/industry/fig/student-leadership-awards/agnes-lim-recieves-2010-student-leadership-award)

Presentation of Gift to Center for Excellence in Plant and Mushroom Foods For Health (Elizabeth Lenihan)
  • Dr. Beelman retired August 1
  • FIG donated $1000 to the Center for Excellence in Plant and Mushroom Foods For Health in honor of Dr. Beelman.
  • Dr. Beelman spoke about the Center. It will emphasis plant foods for health and improving health through the diet.
  • Dr. Beelman will be focusing his time on the Center.
Student Support Committee (Jerry Rundle)
- Focus on merging students with industry.
- Food Industry Day changed through the past year to change its focus to more interaction. They visited to companies and discussed ways Food Science plays a part in all aspects of the business.

Silent Auction (Steve Hepler)
- Thanks to Steve Helper for coordinating the silent auction.
- Thanks for all the donations.
- We raised over $650 for student support.

Membership and Communication Committee (Elizabeth Lenihan for Ferlin Patrick)
- There are brochures and business cards to spread the word about FIG.
- We are trying to find other activities other than the tailgate during the year. A suggestion is holding a Webinar with satellite locations. Any ideas? Let us know.
- Corporate FIG permitted to have at trade shows. We can use the Penn State institutional logo.
- Next step – discuss corporate FIG prior to Winter board meeting and formally discuss at Winter board meeting.

Agriculture Alumni Society Update (Elizabeth Lenihan for Ferlin Patrick)
- See Attached For More Information.

Food Science Department Words (John Floros)
- The National Academy of Science ranks Penn State’s Food Science program in the top 10% (top 3) for Ph.D.
- Undergraduate official numbers are due the week of October 12. It is growing and exceeding its goals. They have 2 sections for all classes and labs.
- There are a record number of honor students.

Other Notes (Larry Campbell)
- Keystone IFT is scheduled for November 4 at the Seven Mountains Wine Cellar.
- It will be student recognition.
- Dr Beelman will be the keynote speaker.
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Food Industry Group Treasurer's Report
July 1, 2009 - October 6, 2010

Beginning Balance $6,253.30

Expenses:
- 2009 Fall Tailgate (1/2 cost postage) $324.15
- 2009 Fall Tailgate (1/3 cost printing) $222.68
- Membership Brochures $718.00
- Business Cards $180.71
- Leadership Award (Lion Statue) $87.40
- Miscellaneous Mail Expenses $8.08
- Food Science Club Support $805.00
- Board Meeting 04-01-10 $114.35
- Food Industry Day Lunch 04-23-10 $210.29
Total Expenses: $2,670.66

Income:
- 2009 Dues $2,265.00
- 2009 Student Support $325.00
- 2009 Fall Tailgate Silent Auction $590.00
- 2010 Dues $1,375.00
- 2010 Student Support $165.00
- Interest $9.93
- FS Logo Items $61.00
- APG Competitive Grant $350.00
Total Income: $5,140.93

Ending Balance $8,723.57

Lifetime Memberships To-Date
- 15 Ambassadors @ $400
- 16 Tailgaters @ $200
78 Active members including Board members and Life members.
The Ag Alumni Board last met on Monday August 16, 2010. Below are the highlights relative to Ag Alumni Society and particularly APGs.

**APG opportunity to gather & participate:**

**Alumni Reception and Football Package, November 19, 2010**
Please join us for a very special Penn State football weekend in our nation’s capitol. On Friday, November 19, 2010, we'll host a reception for College of Agricultural Sciences alumni and friends in Washington, D.C. at the Washington Court Hotel. On Saturday, November 20, wear your blue and white as you join thousands of Penn State alumni and fans at the Penn State vs. Indiana football game held at FedEx Stadium in Landover, MD. We have a limited quantity of hotel accommodations and game tickets. For additional information and to register please go to: [http://guest.cvent.com/d/rdq1sm](http://guest.cvent.com/d/rdq1sm). Registration deadline: October 22, 2010

**Ag Live Alumni Tailgate, November 27, 2010**
Share the excitement with hundreds of Ag alumni and friends at the Ag Live Tailgate prior to the Penn State vs. Michigan State game on November 27, festivities begin 3.5 hours prior to kickoff. Enjoy a hearty lunch buffet with Berkey Creamery ice cream for dessert. Enjoy a live auction filled with valuable items; Penn State football weekend packages; private wine tasting; season football parking passes at the Ag Arena; JoePa autographed Penn State football; Penn State Elm blanket chest; and much more! Also, enter a raffle filled with Penn State memorabilia; gift baskets full of cheese, wine, and chocolates; jewelry; and so much more! Auction and raffle proceeds benefit the Alumni Society’s student scholarships, internship awards, and other student and alumni programs. For additional information and to register please go to: [http://guest.cvent.com/d/9dqvy1](http://guest.cvent.com/d/9dqvy1). Registration deadline: November 17

**Mentoring Workshop**
The Ag Alumni Society held an alumni-student mentoring workshop on the afternoon of September 28, 2010. Students had the opportunity to sit down with alumni and have mock interviews, review resumes, and discuss future jobs and career paths. The Ag Alumni Society is looking for ways to partner with APGs and there may be opportunities to collaborate on future workshops.

**2010 Alumni Fellow Award**
Louis Galliker ‘56, Chairman/President of Galliker Dairy Company will be recognized next week with the Alumni Fellow Award. This is the most prestigious award given by the Penn State Alumni Association. (Is Lou a member of FIG?)
**Grants**
The APG Grant is under review and will be distributed in the near future. New this year, the Society will be creating a Student Club grant to support new and innovative programs. This will also be launched in the near future. **Jerry,** Stay tuned for this funding opportunity!

**Other Items:**

**PSU APG Webinars:**
Jody Kull, APG Committee Chairman hosted the first Webinar for APGs. This APG Webinar, the first in a planned series of connectional opportunities was held on June 29th, 2010. Sara Jones from the Penn State Ag Alumni Association (PSAA) spoke about recruiting and engaging young alumni. If interested in participating in future Webinars, contact Ferlin Patrick (fpatrick@laurelhs.org) He’ll send announcements to your inbox about future webinar events so you can plan to attend! This webinar was recorded and is available online at www.agsci.psu.edu/alumni (and click on the post about the webinar series!).

**National Ag Alumni Society Webinars:**
Five Penn State Ag Alumni society members, along with Members from Ag Alumni Societies from across the Country participated in a National Webinar titled; Volunteer Track; Beg, Borrow, and Steal. This was promoted by the National Agriculture Alumni and Development Association (NAADA) www.naada.org NAADA is dedicated to the professional advancement of our individual members and in turn the institutions they serve. NAADA is comprised of 44 of the nation’s colleges of agriculture and related sciences as well as individuals who are volunteers not only to NAADA, but also to our member institutions. This was a lively discussion on how to engage volunteers in your organizations. Particular emphasis was placed on engaging younger and/or recent grads.

The next free National Webinar is on October 19, 2010 at 3:30 pm. It is titled “How does your Social Media Garden Grow?” To register, go to http://www.naada.org/cde.cfm?event=324722