FOOD INDUSTRY GROUP BOARD MEETING
Minutes
October 8, 2011
252 FDSC Outreach Center

Attendees: Members at Large

Welcome (Dr. Floros)

- Dr. Floros opened the meeting and gave an update of the Food Science Department.
- There are about 200 undergraduate students making Penn State officially the largest in the country.
- Special thanks to the faculty for helping to make this happen.
- The Graduate program continues to grow.
- There are a lot of honor students in the department.
- Dr. Floros spoke about the budget.
- The College of Agriculture’s budget was cut by 20%. The impact on the department was much greater.

Food Industry Group Update (Elizabeth Lenihan)

A. Mission
   - The Penn State Food Industry Group (PSFIG) is an Affiliate Program Group of the Penn State Alumni Association and the College of Agricultural Sciences. The purpose of this group is to unite Penn State Food Science alumni, faculty, students, and friends in a network that supports the food science department’s programs and activities.

B. Who we are:
   - CONGRATULATIONS TO LARRY CAMPBELL FOR BECOMING THE PENN STATE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR!!!
   - Larry became the first recipient from the College of Agriculture.
   - We currently have 80 active members.
   - The biographies of the officers and board are on our website http://foodscience.psu.edu/industry/fig

C. Treasurers report – See attachment
   - Our ending balance is $7,769.75.
   - Some examples of where the money goes are to help with the Tailgate, Student Leadership Awards, and Food Industry Day.

D. What we do
   - We meet 3 times a year including the tailgate.
   - We have subcommittees – student support, membership, and awards.
• Our key activities include the tailgate, silent auction, Food Industry Day, and the Student Leadership awards, and webinar with the food science department.
• Jerry Rundle is planning for a fall Food Industry Day on Saturday October 22. A motion was made and passed for FIG to provide lunch during the event.
• In development, we are looking at a monetary award for students which will be finalized next spring, mentoring program, and more interaction with industry for students.

E. Student Leadership Award
• Alex Youst won the undergraduate Student Leadership Award.
• Wladir Valderrama won the graduate Student Leadership Award.
• They both received statues of the Nittany Lion and their names will be engraved on plaques that will be posted in the Food Science Building.

Food Science Club Update (Sara Calaman)
• The food science club has been very busy with service, social, and fundraising activities.
• They include:
  A. Ag Progress Day mushroom stand
  B. Internship presentations from students
  C. Ag Hill Olympics
  D. Food Industry Day
  E. Harvestfest at DelGrosso’s Amusement Park where they made about $4000.
  F. They went to see Alton Brown speak when he came to Penn State at “Tips for College Culinarians”.
  G. Product Development Team was 1 of the top 6 finalists at IFTSA Product Development Competition. They product was “Par-Fections”, a portable parfait.
• They have a number of upcoming events as well.
• Check them out at: http://foodscience.psu.edu/currentstudents/activities/food-science-club.

Upcoming events:
• Next board meeting will be Spring 2012.
• November 2 at Mt Nittany Inn, there will be a joint FIG/Keystone IFT to honor students who won National and Keystone IFT awards. We will also be honoring Dr. Thompson who will be retiring.
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Food Industry Group Treasurer's Report
July 1, 2011 - October 4, 2011

Beginning Balance $7,514.23

Expenses:
- Scholarship Award $500.00
- 2011 Fall Tailgate (1/3 cost printing & 1/2 cost mailing) $619.42
- Board Meeting Catering 07-15-11 $251.00
Total Expenses: $1,370.42

Income:
- 2011 Dues $1,365.00
- 2011 Student Support $260.00
- Interest $0.94
Total Income: $1,625.94

Ending Balance $7,769.75

Lifetime Memberships To-Date
- 15 Ambassadors @ $400
- 16 Tailgaters @ $200
80 Active members including Board members and Life members (93 in 2010, 78 in 2011).