Attendees: Craig Adams, Heather Arentz, Larry Campbell, Tom Dimick, Andy Hirneisien, Sara Kelley, Bruce Kiefer, Naomi Knaub, Doug Peck, Robert Roberts, Marlene Stauffer, Judy Williams, Tricia Wilson

Welcome - Marlene Stauffer

- Marlene opened the meeting at 9:58 am.
- Introductions around the table

Secretary’s report – Heather Arentz

- Review of the September meeting minutes
- Minutes were approved

Treasurer’s report – Bruce Kiefer

- Beginning balance: $3,605.63
- Ending balance: $5,503.90
- Motion to for $212.40 for the fall 2017 leadership awards and it was approved
- Treasurer’s report was approved

Food Science Department Update – Robert Roberts

- There were some departures in the department
  - Jared Smith
  - Jairam Vanamala
- There are new hires
  - Dr. Josephine Wee, Assistant Professor of Food Science, Food Microbiology
  - Dr. Molly Kelly, Extension Enologist
  - Dr. Chris Sigler, Instructor/Academic Academic
  - Peter Hanchar, Facilities and Safety Coordinator
  - Dr. Wai Fun Leong, Teaching Support Specialist
  - Beth Roberts, Research Technologists III, E. coli Reference Center acquisition
- Enrollment
  - Graduated 50 undergraduates in the Spring and Summer.
  - There are about 165 students projected for the fall.
There are 35 graduate students (15 Ph.D. and 20 M.S.). Two Ph.D. and 8 M.S. are graduating in the summer.

There are 5 post doc scholars and 5 international scholars.

**Student Involvement**

- The college bowl placed 3rd in the IFTSA Central Atlantic Region College Bowl Competition
- The Food Science Club elected new officers:
  - President: Harini Shanker
  - Vice President: David Nguyen
  - Secretary: Kaitlyn Frantz
  - Treasurer: Jessica Raskin
  - Social Chair: Kaleigh Raia and Jason Klus
  - Fundraising Chair: Jacob Ginn and Anne Marie Lozaw
  - IFT Chair: Taylor Thomas
  - Ag Student Council Representative: Brianna Elicker
  - Faculty Advisors: Chris Sigler and Josephine Wee

**Faculty and students received many awards.**

- See [https://foodscience.psu.edu/about/honors-and-awards/awards-for-2018](https://foodscience.psu.edu/about/honors-and-awards/awards-for-2018) for a complete list of awards.
- Drs. John Coupland and Robert Chiles – Anna and Guy Bixler Memorial Award in Food Science
- Elizabeth Tepsic – CoAS Staff Laureate Trailblazer Award
- Lisa Caprera – 2018 Evans Family Extension Award for Graduate Achievement
- Team of Dr. Catherine Cutter, Dr. Luke LaBorde, Dr. Kerry Kaylegian, and Martin Bucknavage – Extension Directors Excellence Award for Outstanding Program (FSMA)

**Other**

- The food science department is starting strategic planning.

**Alumni Society/Ag Council Update – Naomi Knaub**

- Ag Science magazine sent out
- Alumni Society ballot is out. Deadline is the end of July
- They are looking for donations of professional attire to help students with interviews and career day
- Looking for award honorees for outstanding alumni award and alumni achievement, and college outstanding recent grad of the last 10 years.
- They are 3 endowments for Ag Alumni Society. $62,000 to students/year.
- Student engagement committee – Looking for alumni speakers to engage students on variety of topics. This will be a speaker series as part of career
development workshop. This will occur this fall and they are looking for 8-10 people. Naomi to share topics.

- Upcoming Events:
  - August 14 – Alumni ice cream social 1-3 pm.
  - Aug 14-16 – Ag Progress Days
  - AgLive – last football game (3 ½ hours prior to kick-off)
  - November 27 – Giving Tuesday (raising funds for Ag Alumni Society endowment)

Ag Council Meeting

- The alumni engagement committee is working on a survey for next year
- It will be available electronically
- It will also be available at Ag Live
- They are looking at having at APG’s events to fill out

Food Industry Day – Marlene Stauffer for Lexi Roberts

- Lexi and Craig offered their facilities for students to come.
- Dr. Roberts will get with Chris Sigler to organize with Lexi and Craig.
- Due to feasibility of touring at plants, will limit students to less than 20.

Student Leadership Awards – Judy Williams

- Thanks for all that reviewed the application.
- The undergraduate winner is Brianna Elicker.
- The graduate winner is Molly Higgins.
- The awards will be presented at the Fall tailgate.
- Next time, create a conference call to review and discuss the results.
- We will look at receiving the nominations earlier to have more time to review.
- A date will be picked and be consistent moving forward.

Letters to graduating seniors – Tom Dimick

- Letters were sent out to graduating seniors to encourage them to stay involved with the Food Science Department and FIG.
- There was discussion for FIG board to attend a Food Science club meeting to engage students. FIG would have the spring meeting at Penn State.
- Discussion on inviting the Food Science club president and Chris Sigler to FIG meetings

New Business
International Study Fund

- There was discussion of a funding opportunity for an international study fund.
- Last time we funded $1250/year for 5 years.
- There was a motion to set up an endowment for FIG International Study Fund at $25,000 that would launch at the 2018 tailgate to reach the goal of raising funds by the 2019 tailgate. Motion passed.
- Andy Hirneisen, Bruce Kiefer, and Marlene Stauffer to work with Tom and the Development Office on the details needed
- There was motion to use the student support and silent auction funds we have and to seed the endowment and any moving forward goes to the fund. Motion passed.
- We will check with the development office if we use Giving Tuesday for the endowment.

Food Science Tailgate

- Tailgate is set for October 27 (Iowa)
- Registration is open.
- If you did not receive the email, registration is on the Food Science department website.
- Football tickets are not available through the Food Science department. Tickets are available through Ticketmaster.
- Students are looking for donations of food for the tailgate.
- Sara Kelley will send out an email for donation for the silent auction.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:58 pm.

All meeting minutes are available online

Next meeting: Tailgate, October 27, 2018
### Penn State Food Industry Group Treasurer's Report
#### July 1, 2017 - July 18, 2018

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**Lifetime Memberships To-Date**
- 15 Ambassadors @ $400
- 16 Tailgaters @ $200

2018 - 59 Active members including Board members and Life members.