

Southeast Iowa Agricultural Research Association

Board of Directors Meeting

Southeast Research and Demonstration Farm

10:00 am. December 6, 2005

Attendance:

Board: Dave Birney, Doug Cling, Roger Edwards, Scott Eichelberger, Ron Fransen, Jim Gevock, Randy Mather, Jeff Olsen, Peter Shaff, and David Vandenberg

Ex-officio: Jim Fawcett, Jim Jensen, Myron Reese, Virgil Schmitt, and Kevin Van Dee

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Vandenberg at 10:18 am.

Introductions: Vandenberg had everyone present introduce himself and what county he is from.

Secretary's Minutes: Schmitt provided the minutes of the July 12, 2005 meeting.

Motion: Eichelberger / Gevock to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Brenneman provided the treasurer's report. There was discussion about the taxes, insurance, and CDs. Gevock asked about the need for an audit, given some of the old publicity of ISU selling a farm that was not intended to be sold. There was also discussion about fund raising.

Motion: Olsen / Mather to approve the report. Motion passed.

Farm Update: Van Dee provided an update on how 2005 weather and growing conditions compared to previous years, vertical tillage study, and carbon sequestration study.

Annual Meeting: Topics considered for the Annual Meeting:
ASR
CSP
Soil Re-generation
Soil Fertility
 Include sampling technique, reliability, etc.
 N sources, rates, tests
 Understanding a test report
Roger Elmore
Marketing grain with various GMO traits
Glyphosate management with RR corn and soybeans & conventional herbicides
Dicamba soybeans
Drainage Update
Van Dee's Update

Selected topics were:

Van Dees' Update
Drainage Update (Brenneman)
Glyphosate Management (Mike Owen – Fawcett will contact)
Soil Fertility (John Sawyer – Schmitt will contact)

Alternate topic is marketing grain with various GMO traits.

Grant: Brenneman stated the farm has received an NRCS grant to do monitoring on drainage alternatives on the west half of the most recently acquired land.

Fund Raising: The group continues to work.

Adjournment:

Motion: Birney / Edwards to adjourn. Motion passed at 12:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Virgil Schmitt, SEIARA Secretary