

Southeast Iowa Agricultural Research Association

Board of Directors Meeting

1:30 p.m. August 9, 2006

Attendance:

Board: Jim Dane, Scott Eichelberger, Ron Fransen, Jim Gevock, Dave Mckechnie, Peter Shaff, Rob Stout

Ex-officio: Greg Brenneman, Jim Jensen, Virgil Schmitt, Kevin Van Dee

Guest: Layne Twinam

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Gevock at 1:30 p.m.

Secretary's Minutes: Schmitt provided the minutes of the March 2, 2006 meeting.

Motion: (Shaff/Eichelberger) to approve the minutes as corrected. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Brenneman provided the treasurer's report.

Motion: (Stout/ Mckechnie) to approve the report. Motion passed.

New Business:

Layne Twinam is planning and expansion of his hog facilities near the farm. There is question if the separation distance requirements apply to the research farm, but a waiver would eliminate any question.

Consensus: (Dane/Stout) to provide a waiver of the separation distance requirement, if requested, for an additional 1250 head unit. (Without a quorum, an official motion could not be introduced.)

Update: Van Dee provided a growing season update. July was warmer than 2005 but July rainfall was above average and August is wet so far. He projects yields similar to 2005.

Tile Project: Brenneman provided an update on the tiling on the new piece of land. The wetland outlet has a very large main because the landowner and Louisa County provided resources as the main will benefit them. Jensen is pleased with the attendance at the installation field day; there were about 150 people there. He is also pleased with the company support. Jensen said that Brenneman and Norm Stone (NRCS) did a great job of organizing the day.

Field Day: At the spring field day, 20 plaques were handed out, and Dean Wendy Wintersteen spoke. Attendance was over 165.

Field Day: The fall field day is at 1:30 on September 13. Ideas are
Van Dee
Variety trials – Van Dee will talk to Jim Rouse
Bt CRW & Extended diapause – Jon Tollefson (Schmitt)
Jack Payne & Bioenergy – Jensen / Gevock

Antonio Mallarino – if Payne can't come out – Fawcett
CRP – maintaining & coming out
Leopold Center / Sustainable Ag
WBC

Adjournment:

Motion: (Fransen/Shaff) to adjourn. Motion passed at 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Virgil Schmitt, SEIARA Secretary