

Southeast Iowa Agricultural Research Association

Board of Directors Meeting

10:00 a.m. August 12, 2008

Attendance:

Board: Craig Amstutz, Jim Dane, Scott Eichelberger, Ron Fransen, Greg O'Toole, Jeff Samuelson, Jared Schultz, John Shaff

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

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Vice-president Eichelberger at 10:00 a.m.

Secretary's Minutes: Schmitt provided the minutes of the March 6, 2008 meeting. There were no additions or corrections.

Treasurer's Report: Brenneman provided the treasurer's report and made some updates.

Motion: There were no further additions or corrections.

Arrival: Dane arrived and assumed the chair.

Introductions: Everyone introduced himself.

Growing Season: Van Dee provided 2008 an update. Planting was late due to weather.

Farm Update: There was a career day held in June and went well. The Harvestore was removed and a hoop building for machinery storage is being built and should be ready for the fall field day. Jensen suggested the purchase of folding chairs that could be used if field days are held indoors. Jensen and Schmitt will investigate and report at the December 2008 meeting.

Vacancies: The vacancies in Mahaska and Scott were discussed as well as which members' terms will expire in 2009.

Fall Field Day: Topics for the Fall Field Day are:

*Kevin Van Dee (w/Carlton? (stalk quality, etc.))

*Grain Drying and Handling and Storage – Hurburgh

*Farm Bill & Economics– Jensen/Wells

*Weeds – alternatives to glyphosate and/or PPO inhibitors

- Liberty (Ignite) Link

Backup - Fungicides (stalk quality, etc.) – Alison

Anhydrous Ammonia Application – Hanna – Unavailable – annual meeting?

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be at 10:00 a.m., December 2, 2008 at the farm. Agenda items include research for 2009 (cover crops, fungicides on corn and soybean, corn row width and population), fertility rate, timing, and placement already suggested), the annual meeting (Roger Ginder suggested to talk about the status of coops), and a report from the “chair committee.”

Adjournment:

Motion: The meeting was adjourned at 12:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Virgil Schmitt, SEIARA Secretary