

**Southeast Iowa Agricultural Research Association**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
10:00 a.m. December 2, 2008

**Attendance:**

**Board:** Scott Eichelberger, Paula Ellis, Ron Fransen, Jared Schultz

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

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Eichelberger at 10:07 a.m.

**Agenda:** The agenda was accepted as presented.

**Secretary's Minutes:** Schmitt provided the minutes of the August 12, 2008 meeting.

**Motion:** (Schultz/Ellis) to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Brenneman provided the treasurer's report. We have enough money to finish paying for the new land.

**Motion:** (Fransen/Schultz) to approve the report. Motion passed.

**Season:** Van Dee reviewed the growing season with historical comparisons. There was a late start and cool, wet weather in 2008.

**Board Vacancies:** Jim Fawcett will follow up on Linn, Johnson, Jones, Benton, and Washington Counties. Eichelberger will work on Muscatine and Fransen will work on Davis. Scott County continues to be vacant.

**Old Business:** Jensen and Schmitt had no report on the purchase of tables and chairs.

**New Business:**

**Annual Meeting:**

**Motion:** (Fransen/Schultz) to use the following agenda. Motion passed.

**Location:** Washington County

- Kevin
- Insurance - Edwards
- Tillage – energy – Hanna, Brenneman
- Cost of Crop Production– Jensen / Wells / Duffy / Edwards

Alternate: Anhydrous Ammonia Application – Hanna

**Research Ideas:** GMO vs Non-GMO isoline study  
Rye cover crop destruction timing  
Manure on tiled land study?

**Other:** Jensen suggested updating the sign. Jensen asked if we want to have any youth activities at the farm in 2009. Jensen suggested setting Board meeting dates for the year at the March meeting of the Board. Can we increase attendance at the Annual Meeting? Should we wind the Fund-an-Acre program down?

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be March 5, 2009 immediately following the annual meeting.

**Adjournment:**

**Motion:** (Schultz/Ellis) to adjourn. Motion passed at 12:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Virgil Schmitt, SEIARA Secretary