

**Southeast Iowa Agricultural Research Association**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
10:00 a.m. December 22, 2009

**Attendance:**

**Board:** Paula Ellis, Darrel Jordan, David Scott, John Shaff, Rob Stout, Scott Swanson, Bob Walker, Phil Winborn

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

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

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

**Secretary's Minutes:** Schmitt provided the minutes of the March 5, 2009 meeting.  
**Motion:** (Jordan/Swanson) to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Brenneman provided the treasurer's report. (Attached in secretary's book.) The association has enough money in CDs to make the remainder of the land payments.  
**Motion:** (Scott/Ellis) to approve the report. Motion passed.

**Season Review:** Van Dee reviewed the growing season with historical comparisons. There was cool and wet weather in 2009, resulting in loss of some plots. Soybeans averaged over 60 bushels per acre with no major pest issues. Corn averaged 155 bushels per acre because of yellow spots with June rains, low test weights, and the new farm has lower yields. The field days were successful and tables were purchased with proceeds from the fall field day.

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:**

**Board Vacancies:**

1. Current vacancies
  - a. Mahaska (expires in 2011) – Brenneman and Carlton follow-up
2. Terms Expiring in 2010
  - a. Cedar – Jeff Samuelson – will run again
  - b. Henry – Mark Fitzpatrick – eligible to run again – Schmitt follow-up
  - c. Jefferson – Jared Schultz – eligible to run again – Schmitt follow-up
  - d. Lee – Paula Ellis – will run again
  - e. Louisa – Greg O'Toole – eligible to run again – Schmitt follow-up
  - f. Scott – vacant – will be the normal election year – Brenneman and Schmitt follow-up

g. Wapello – Kurt Lowenberg – eligible to run again – Swanson Follow-up

**Annual Meeting:**

**Motion:** (Winborn/Scott) to change the time if Bisinger suggests.

**Location:** Washington County, registration at 9:30 a.m.; call to order at 10:00 a.m.

**Topics:**

\*Kevin summary & close

\*N management & cover crops / side dressing / split applications – Sawyer? - Fawcett

\*Populations(/stacks?) – Elmore / Abendroth Schmitt

\*Marketing GMO corn – Hurburgh? Brenneman

\*Using yield maps, etc. – Matt Darr? Brenneman

Alternates

1. Compaction / ruts / tillage – Hanna?

2. Managing crop diseases – Alison / Daren?

**Promo:** There was discussion about promotion of the farm and annual meeting and the time of day. Amber Bisinger will be asked to help; Fawcett will talk to her. It would be good to have e-mail addresses. Gene Mohling and Nancy Adrian will contact the bank about sponsorship.

**Research Ideas:** Twin rows for corn (need equipment)  
Deep placement strip till (need equipment)  
N sensing in corn

**Other:** Jensen and Brenneman will work on plaques for life members.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be March 4, 2010 immediately following the annual meeting.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 12:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Virgil Schmitt, SEIARA Secretary