

Southeast Iowa Agricultural Research Association

Annual Meeting

Johnson County Fairgrounds, Extension Office

10:00 a.m. March 7, 2013

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Jeff Samuelson at 10:00 a.m.

Secretary's Minutes: The minutes of the March 1, 2012 annual meeting were distributed. There were no additions or corrections.

Treasurer's Report: Greg Brenneman provided the treasurer's report (attached in secretary's book). The association is in the process of making the final payment on the "new" land and is also in the process of finalizing the paperwork.

Motion: Bill Furlong/ Jared Schultz to approve the report. Passed.

President's Report: Samuelson reported that the 25th anniversary and youth field day were both successes.

Farms: Mark Honeyman reported that the college has record enrollment. Myron Rees is now the superintendent at the farm and Lance Miller has been hired. He then gave an overview of activities at other farms.

SE Farm: Rees described the ISU F.A.R.M. program. There were 40 days with temperatures above 90 degrees, breaking the old record of 39. Rainfall was 5.5 inches below normal. Corn yields averaged about 150. Rees pointed out some of the trials being done at the farm and new trials for 2013.

Plant Populations: Jim Fawcett and Roger Elmore reviewed plant population research on soybeans and corn, respectively.

Cover Crops: Mark Carlton and Steve Berger discussed cover crop research and experiences.

Lunch: Lunch was sponsored by Hills Bank and Trust and occurred between the presentations of Carlton and Berger. Andy Winborn talked about farm safety.

New K Recs: Via Connect, Antonio Mallarino described changes in the soil testing procedure for potassium and new recommendations. The wet test for potassium is making a comeback.

Water and Drought: Via Connect, Matt Helmers described various water management techniques and their use in wet years and dry years.

Adjournment:

Motion: (David Scott / Darrell Jordan) to adjourn. (Passed at 2:25 p.m.)

Respectfully submitted,

Virgil Schmitt, SEIARA Secretary