

SEIARA ANNUAL MEETING
March 5, 2020
Johnson County Extension Office, Iowa City

- Call to order:** The meeting was called to order by President Duane Jordan at 10:03 a.m.
- Secretary's minutes:** The minutes of the March 7, 2019 meeting were distributed. There were no additions or corrections.
- Treasurer's Report:** Ryan Drollette provided the treasurer's report (attached in secretary's book).
Motion: (Bill Furlong / Greg Walston) to accept the report. Passed.
- President's report:** Jordan requested ideas for research at the farm. Jordan reviewed plans for new construction at the farm to improve education and research capabilities.
- Farm Report:** Cody Schneider reviewed 2019 weather at the farm. Over 11 inches of rain fell in May. Over the years, rainfall in May and June have increased. Some replanting was needed. Most corn planting was June 7 – 10 and soybeans June 10-12. Some trials had to be abandoned because of weather. Corn averaged 171.6 at 22% moisture and 60.4 at 13% moisture soybeans. The farm has a new eight-row planter and RTK autosteer added to the tractor. They also received a new tractor and an Ag Leader system in the combine. Chag Hesseltine re-joined the farm as a full-time employee. The Spring and Fall field days were reviewed as well as a Prairie Strips field day. There was an ag career day at the farm with nine schools and over 130 students. Some schools had to be turned away because of space limitations. Kirkwood Community College also toured the farm. Governor Reynolds and Dean Dan Robison both toured the farm. New projects are a cover crops seeding rate X method and a long term N rate as part of the FACTS projects. Concluding projects were K sidedress on corn and soybean, corn seed treatments, soybean seed treatment, and a predictive model for soybean fungicides.
- New Building:** Myron Rees provided a more detailed view of the new education and research building.
- Research Farms:** Tim Goode brought greetings from the research farms and CALS. Water quality and youth education are at the forefront. Goode reviewed research being conducted at various locations in Iowa.
- Market Outlook:** Ray Jenkins provided market outlook, market patterns, and risk management.
- Lunch:** Hills Bank and Furlong Family Farms sponsored lunch.
- Stored Grain Management:** Kristina TeBockhorst addressed grain quality issues in the 2019 corn crop and techniques to mitigate the effects of those issues.
- Farm Safety:** Brandi Janssen from the Iowa Center for Agricultural Safety and Health (I-CASH) reviewed the activities of I-CASH.
- Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 2:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Virgil Schmitt, Secretary