

## Iowa Section IFT Executive Committee Meeting

April 15, 2010 at the Clarion Hotel and Convention Center, Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Members present: Boylston, Canon, Coller, Gerlock, Gilbert, Kellen, LaGrange, Lopez, McCarty, Olson, Randall, Swaim, & Wilson

1. Introductions were made.
2. The secretary's report was presented. Motioned by Wilson and seconded by LaGrange, the minutes were approved. In addition comments were made indicating that the Iowa Section was okay with the IRS for the present time.
3. LaGrange presented the treasurer's report. Balance 04-15-10 = \$16,089.19 with \$3025.00 of the balance being available for scholarships (before a few extra donations were deposited). The main increase in funds from February was from receiving Iowa Suppliers Night table registrations. Motioned by Wilson and seconded by Gilbert, the treasurer's report was approved as written. A receipt book was presented!
4. Swaim reported on the Suppliers Night. 32 companies signed up and 31 showed up which means that the goal of registering 30 tables was met. 51 people are signed up for the meal and two-thirds of the companies participated in door prize bingo. Six meal sponsors were sent in for 4 students. National IFT emails were effective in bringing companies to the supplier's night.
5. A contact from the Iowa Economic Development would like to put information about the Iowa Section IFT on their website. Randall is in charge of providing them information.
6. For Food Science Club News, it was reported by McCarty and Gerlock that the Club has made 400 pounds of fudge for VEISHEA. The regional IFTSA meeting and College Bowl competition was held this past weekend where Iowa State came in second place. The IFT product development team will compete at the National IFT meeting and the College Bowl team plans to attend to view the competition.
7. A discussion was held to determine if the Section could supply funding to students going to the National IFT meeting. It was decided that if students were interested, they could email Lopez and approvals could occur at the transition meeting.
8. Gilbert reported on scholarships. Kemin donated \$1000 for an industry scholarship. Swank gave \$200 and \$400 were donated by members to go to the general scholarship fund. Randall and Gilbert will announce scholarships. The winners are Emily Griep for the Kemin Industry Scholarship, Krista McCarty and Yanjun Liu for the MFPC scholarship (split into \$250 each), Pradeep Suriya Narayanan for the Outstanding Graduate Scholarship, and Ginessa Gerlock for the Outstanding Undergraduate Scholarship. Looking at the scholarship criteria and ranking of winners may still take some research.
9. Nominations were set as discussed at the February meeting. For Chair Elect, Joan Randall consented to be nominated. Swaim agreed to be nominated for Treasurer. For Member-At-Large positions, Kelly Belknap, Linda Loucks, Stephanie Clark, and Sharon Leas approved their nominations.
10. The State Science Fair competition was held in Ames March 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>. There were 70-80 exhibits. Boylston organized 8 judges for the exhibits. The top senior high winner was McKenna Templeton and her project was on natural compounds as antimicrobials. The

top junior high food project winner was Josie McCarty and her project was on honey. Josie McCarty presented her poster during the Supplier's Night.

11. The transition meeting was discussed. The date decided upon was May 25<sup>th</sup> in Grinnell.

12. No further business was presented. It was motioned by Gilbert and seconded by Randall to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. We adjourned and enjoyed dinner.

Submitted by: Kate Gilbert, Iowa Section IFT Secretary