

Iowa Section IFT Executive Committee Meeting

November 18, 2010 at Fire Creek Grill in West Des Moines, Iowa

Members present: Belknap, Canon, Clark, Gilbert, Jin, Kellen, Leas, Loucks, McCarty, Randall, Swaim, and Wilson

1. Introductions were made. Lumeng (Lem) Jin was introduced as one of the new undergraduate representatives. The second undergraduate representative will be Katie Lynch.
2. The secretary's report was presented. The minutes were approved without corrections. Gilbert reported that a new format was used for the newsletter this month. Also, Carmi Flavor and Fragrance contacted Gilbert about advertising in the section newsletter. A rough advertising schedule was sent, but there has been no reply.
3. A current member list and list of new members were generated from the National IFT website. Gilbert sent Randall the current list, so the email list serve could be updated. Gilbert intends to update the member list on a regular basis.
4. Swaim gave the treasurer's report. Balance 10-31-10 = \$15,126.64 with \$2025.00 of the balance being available for scholarships. Income was due to membership deposits. The main expense was the \$750 given to the ISU Food Science Club as a sponsorship for the product development team's trip to the National IFT annual meeting. A bill of \$50 was submitted by Belknap for gift cards used for the food and coat drive door prizes.
5. Swaim also shared the budget included in the section's financial report submitted to National IFT. A good deal of discussion occurred as to what the 2010 fiscal year budget should include. Clark mentioned that the ISU product development team has incurred many expenses not yet covered. Part of these expenses was from an AACC product development competition. No decision was made, but the general feeling of the committee was that Iowa Section IFT would like to focus their sponsorships on IFT activities. Gilbert moved to increase the "Travel grants to IFT Mtg" to \$2000. Clark seconded the motion. Additional funds could be requested if necessary. The motion carried. The other line item discussed was the program speaker allotment. Without the National IFT Distinguished Lecturer program, it will be difficult to determine the expense of speakers.
6. Randall reported on programming. The November meeting's tour was at the US Coffee and Tea roasterie and the meeting includes a food and coat drive organized by Belknap. Gilbert mentioned that she had a General Mills contact and had inquired about the possibilities of touring the Cedar Rapids Cheerios plant for the February meeting.
7. McCarty and Jin reported on Food Science Club news. Elections were held recently. One of the product development teams placed 4th at the national AACC competition. Currently there are two additional product development teams entering the Danisco and IFT competitions. The dairy foods judging team placed second overall at the international competition. McCarty also reported that the annual silent auction will be held the week after Thanksgiving and donations are still being accepted. The VEISHEA fudge committee has been working on a new fudge flavors including cookies & cream, caramel, and white chocolate berry.
8. Gilbert reported that the scholarship applications will be the same as last year. The evaluation portion will not include a weighting system for those who have not received the scholarships previously. Instead scoring will occur first; then the scholarship committee will discuss how best to distribute the scholarships. There is \$2025 left in the budget from previous years fundraising. Randall will be in charge of the scholarship fundraising.

9. Wilson reported that we will need nominations for officers for next year and to think ahead for possible candidates.
10. National IFT has requested to attend one of the Iowa Section meetings. Wilson will follow-up and let them know our meeting dates.
11. In other business Gilbert reported that a Pioneer representative had contacted her and would like to present at an Iowa Section IFT meeting about their new high oleic soybean oil. A meeting program consisting of a handful of companies giving short presentations about what is new with their companies was suggested. Gilbert will draft a document for the proposed concept.
12. The motion to adjourn was moved by Gilbert and seconded by Belknap and the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by: Kate Gilbert, Iowa Section IFT Secretary