

**Iowa-Section of the Institute of Food Technologists**  
**Minutes November 17, 2005**  
**Jasper Winery and Okoboji Grill – Newton, Iowa**

**Executive Committee Meeting**

**Attending:** Aubrey Mendonca, Mark Love, Kristen Robbins, Bob Bahn, Joan Randall, Rachel Ollinger, Chiew-Ling Chia and Janis Hochstetler.

1. Meeting called to order at 3:45 pm by Robbins at Jasper Winery.
2. Secretaries Minutes from September 15, 2005 meeting were reviewed. Love moved and seconded by Mendonca to approve the secretaries minutes. Motion passed.

Additionally, Hochstetler asked that at registration those who do not have a pre-made name tag or need a replacement name tag please fill out the “name-tag sheet” so that new name tags are made.

Hochstetler reported that the website has been updated and if anyone needs to post something to please forward it to her. Hochstetler also had the most current membership list for review- especially email addresses.

3. Wang (treasurer) was not in attendance. There was a question about the bill from the Machine Shed for the September meeting meals. There was a charge added for the bar that was not anticipated. Wang was looking into this. There would be two speaker meals to sponsor for the November meeting.

Randall and Olson audited the treasurer’s books. They found a 60¢ discrepancy in the balance. This was interest paid to us that had not been included. Item corrected. Also noted by the audit team a check for \$65.40 for the Days Inn in Grinnell had not cleared. It was also suggested that the treasurer standardize the form of payment for meeting meals (checks versus cash versus credit card). Bahn moved to accept audit report, Love seconded, motion passed.

**Committee Reports**

1. Scholarships and Awards: Discussion was held about raising monies for the Iowa Industry Scholarship. Olson suggested to contact Scott Seibert to see he if would be willing to head up a committee for this scholarships.
2. Student Activities: Ollinger reported that the silent auction will be December 2, 2005 at the Collegiate Methodist Church Basement on Lincoln Way in Ames, starting at 5:30 pm. New student representatives have been elected and will be at the next meeting. Food Safety Week was successful – not ran out of ice cream. Big thanks to Blue Bunny and USDA/FSIS for materials and support. Travel grant (money) criteria for selection were discussed. Suggest that student advisor and Iowa Section IFT representatives review the applications. It was suggested that applications be made in March so that grant money could be distributed in a timely manner. Chia was to get a copy of the criteria to Hochstetler.
3. MFPC: Randall reported on a successful MFPC- November 7-8, 2005 in Chicago. She reported on the culinary challenge and Chia reported on the conference.
4. Program: Mendonca reported that 33 persons have signed up for the Jasper Winery tour and dinner at Okoboji Grill to night. The he is working on plans for the November meeting which is tentatively planned for the Jasper Winery in Newton. Also there will be door prizes (NASA Mugs) tonight provided by Tony Pometto from the NASA Food Technology Commercial Space Center at Iowa State University (again). There will also be mugs for the guest speakers. The Center will be closing at the end of the year.

5. Suppliers Night: Bahn reported that the packets for exhibitors will soon be going out.

Randall motioned for adjournment, Chia second. Motion passed. Adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

### **Tour**

At 4:30 pm Jean Groben, Owner of Jasper Winery and President of Iowa Wine Growers Association; and Mason Groben, Winemaker, Jasper Winery gave a tour of the wine making process and led tasting of their wines. It was enjoyed by 36 participants.

### **Dinner**

Thirty-six students and members enjoyed a buffet meal at the Okoboji Grill in Newton. Following the meal, the business meeting was conducted by Kristen Robbins and the night's presentation was given by Jean Groben, owner of Jasper Winery and President of the Iowa Wine Growers Association. Her presentation title was "Wine Production in the Midwest: Viticulture, Production and Marketing."

### **Business Meeting**

The business meeting was conducted by Kristen Robbins and called to order at 7:25 p.m.

All attendees introduced themselves and affiliation.

Door prizes were provided by NASA Food Technology Commercial Space Center at Iowa State University.

Randall and Chia reported on the MFPC that was held November 8, 2006. Randal participated in the Culinary Challenge, which she gave high marks.

Chia reported that the Iowa State University Food Science Club will be holding a Silent Auction Fundraiser in December and thanks everyone for the donations for the auction.

Hochstetler asked for updates for email addresses and name tags. She reminded everyone to check out the section webpage and reminded everyone to renew their memberships. Also, there will be a call for nominations to fill the open positions on the executive council at the February 2006 meeting. If you are interested in serving, contact a current executive committee member.

Love gave the treasurers report of a balance of \$6338.58. Also, Randall and Olson audited the treasurer's books and they were in order.

Mendonca reported that the February 16, 2006 meeting will be held at the Ox Yoke Inn in Amana, Iowa and Supplier's Night- Student Sponsorship Night – Awards Night will be held April 20, 2006 in Cedar Rapids.

Mendonca introduced the speaker for meeting, Jean Groben, owner of Jasper Winery and President of the Iowa Wine Growers Association and Mason Groben, Winemaker, Jasper Winery. Jean Groben's presentation title was "Wine Production in the Midwest: Viticulture, Production and Marketing." Both were presented Commemorative NASA Food Technology Commercial Space Center at Iowa State University Mugs.

Meeting adjourned by Robbins at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Janis M. Hochstetler, Iowa Section IFT Secretary

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