

Florida Farm Bureau Collegiate Chapter
At the University of Florida

General Meeting Minutes

March 26, 2008

I. Call to Order and Welcome

Kelvin Moreno, Collegiate Farm Bureau President, called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM. The meeting was held at the Florida Farm Bureau Building. Kelvin commenced with the introduction of special guests. The following special guests were present:

Lisa Gaskalla – Executive Director of Florida Ag In The Classroom

Richard Gaskalla – Director of Plant Industries at the University of Florida

II. Roll Call and Approval of Minutes

Lydia Masterson, Collegiate Farm Bureau Secretary, took roll of the officers present. The following persons were present:

Officers: 7

Members: 8

Special Guests: 2

III. Guest Speaker

Mrs. Lisa Gaskalla, Executive Director of Florida Ag In The Classroom, began her presentation by telling about some of the services that Florida Ag In The Classroom (FAITC) provides. Services like free agriculture related materials, educational workshops and training opportunities. Most of these services are free, which is made possible by the funding received from the ag tags sold by the Florida DMV. These tags cost just \$22 more than a regular tag, but \$20 of that goes straight to FAITC. The FAITC Workshop will be held June 12-14, 2008. The cost is \$150 which covers rooms, food, and all of the workshop materials. Registration is currently posted on the internet at www.agtag.org. Mrs. Gaskalla then proceeded to read this year's FAITC book that highlights Florida's agricultural commodities. While reading the book to the members she also passed around a copy of the book for our members to read.

IV. Officer Reports

A. Kelvin Moreno – deferred his report to later in the meeting.

B. Lydia Masterson – announced the dates that were listed on the agenda and the purpose of those events.

C. Hannah Rogers – She reported that our t-shirt sales were going well and that we are also currently looking for items to go in the silent auction, which will be held at the Florida YF&R Conference in July. All monies that we receive from the bidding on the items will come directly back to the CFB. Donated items are best!

V. Committee Reports

- A. Finance Committee – Andrea Andrews reiterated the idea that t-shirts are for sale and that they are available to anyone. \$10 for members and \$15 for nonmembers.
- B. Public Relations Committee – Becca Hamilton deferred her report to later in the meeting.

VI. Old Business

- A. Officer Applications – Kelvin announced that the deadline is quickly approaching for officer applications. They are due to Dr. Myers by April 2nd.
- B. Discussion Meet – Kelvin passed around a sign-up sheet for those people members that were interested in participating in the discussion meet. This will help to begin preparing for those who will be entering.
- C. Field to the Hill – April 1st is the deadline for registration for rooms. There is no registration fee for the conference. Kelvin asked for those that are interested in attending to see him directly after the meeting.
- D. Second Advisor – We have yet to fill the position or even receive any nominations so Kelvin passed around another list for members to write the name of any UF staff or faculty members that they would like nominate for the position of second advisor.

VII. New Business

- A. Silent Auction – Kelvin announced that we would be taking part in the silent auction that is to be held at Florida YF&R Conference in July. If any member knows someone that would donate items to the auction please be sure to contact them or have one of the officers contact them.
- B. Gator Encounter – Kelvin announced that we would be hosting a booth a Gator Encounter which is April 12 from 9-12. If any members are interested in helping with it we would love to have them join us. All officers will be present.
- C. State Women's Conference – Lydia gave a report about the Women's Conference which Tori Lyons and she attended on March 6th. The t-shirts sold very well and all of the ladies were very excited to finally meet some of the students from the CFB.

VIII. Adjournment

Kelvin Moreno adjourned the meeting at 7:33 PM.