

OK IFT Conference Call 3/8

Approved motion to use funds to pay for the OK IFT website

- 3 companies donated for rotating picture
 - o Butterbuds
 - o BlendTech, Inc.
 - o SAPC
- Next step is to figure out what the pixel size for pictures
- Chuck will check with Mike McCarthy on moving forward and will update with info he finds out moving forward
- Maintenance fees for website – should currently be covered – Chuck will do projection of money we get from IFT national to cover fee

Fundraising

- Potential time in the summer/fall to do a fundraiser
- Suppliers' night/Career Fair
- Stan to follow up with using Sonic facility for fundraiser, if Sonic won't work, Kanika will check alternate location
 - o Plan for next fall
 - o Supplier night/career fair = potential for 100 people
 - o Megan will send out roster list to everyone – everyone else add other local Oklahoma companies who might not be a part of OK IFT already

OSU symposium

- Great turn-out
- Lots of judges
- Great talk by Dr. Phebus
- 9 oral presentations – more than in the past, lots of participation
- Good representation from Langston
 - o Good opportunity to invite Langston students to also be members of IFT
 - o Send info to head of Langston to get the ball rolling on including them
 - Chuck to reach out to Steve to see if students would be interested in joining
 - Keep Steve informed on supplier night

UCO Upcoming Symposium

- April 28th – 9am – 12:30 pm
- Kanika to send info to Megan to send to all of OK IFT
- Keynote speaker = Dr. Aaron Dossey – insects as sustainable protein, part of all things bugs
- Poster presentation 9-10
- Keynote 10-10:45
- Bug tasting event
- OK IFT networking lunch/round table 11:30-12:30
 - o Trends in food science – have officers talk for 5 min during lunch
- Networking lunch is meant for OK IFT – Kanika asking for OK IFT to sponsor the lunch

- How much? – (25-30 members) \$200-\$250 - \$7-\$10 per member
 - Chuck anticipates should not be a problem
 - Kanika – potential for donation box at the lunch to keep program running
 - Chuck to look at potential for more IFT funds coming in to also cover continental breakfast

Student volunteer opportunities

- Kanika and Ram to take a lead and find student for website worker/volunteer

Food Industry Tour

- Potential to do this summer (due to symposiums/finals/graduation)
 - Middle to late May – after exams – 3rd or 4th week of May
- Tour of Sonic
- Potential for Sara Lee – maybe for next year

FAPC Turned 20

- Product innovation competition is September 12th
 - FAPC.biz – has promo video and info for competition
 - Chuck to check with Langston and OCU so all students can participate
 - Chuck to send link of competition out
 - OK IFT to sponsor award – money still comes through FAPC funds, but sponsored by IFT
- Getting students involved so they can start thinking about projects

IFT Participating in Election next year

- When year kicks off Sept 1 – give IFT nominations for IFT Officers
 - Maybe at suppliers night ask for nominations so we can build a slate by next January