

Magnificent Mega Seminar Thanks to John Spaulding for sponsoring this years Mega Seminar. The two day event had well over 100 particpants. Keynote presenters Dr. Brian Horgan, Dr. Kevin Frank and Dr. Roah Gaussoin engaged the group with some amazing new agronomic information. Other guest speakers included Rollie Carlson from the CMAA and Doug Hoffman from the MGA. Simply awesome!





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The Mega Seminar went well. The 2nd day afternoon attendance dropped off significantly. The consolidated lodging got dropped with the management transition. Happy hour was a great idea and will be placed on the agenda. Discussion was given about a possible Association Hospitality event after the Wednesday session.

Fund raising/Industry Relations: Joe Churchill and Kerry Glader reported that he will be sending a letter or survey to vendors about their preferences about the GIS and possible local Hospitality Night.

MN Government Affairs: Eckholm reported that there has developed an authority conflict between the Department of Agriculture and Minnesota Pollution Control. There is a bill that was introduced to put all Pesticide use under the authority of the Department of Agriculture. Work with the NPDES permit was beneficial in that the permit uses current regulations and does not change most golf course aquatic permit requirements.

MTGF: Jeff Ische reported that the Green Expo attendance was flat with 6062. Roughly half of the attendance was either Vendor or Trade-show only. Super Tuesday attendance was 98 with \$1,400 in profits. Pesticide Recertification brought in \$4,600 with MTGF getting \$1,400. Total booth sales were up 35 to 833. Total companies represented were flat at 325.

New Business: 1. A motion was made to nominate Jerry Murphy for the MGA Hall of Fame. 2. Superintendent Posting. There is a mixed history about job posting requirements and the qualifications of candidates that were hired. A motion was made to change the hiring posting policy so that superintendent positions will be posted with a disclaimer that the MGCSA holds no responsibility of whom the Clubs hire. Mackenzie will create posting templates and work with courses on their postings.