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# IAAE Purdue

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## Big Shoes To Fill

JoAnna McCoy - Publicity Committee Member

Christine Wilson graduated from Kansas State University from the agricultural economic department and is taking over at the new Associate Dean and Director of Academic Programs for Purdue University's College of Agriculture. She has a bachelor's degree agribusiness and a master's degree and doctoral degree in agricultural economics. She started working at Koch Industries as a grain market analyst then she worked as an extension economist.

Dr. Wilson began her career at Purdue University as an assistant professor in the agricultural economic department from 2001 to 2008. After that, she went back to Kansas State University and became the assistant dean for academic programs for services and retention in the College of Agriculture. Seven years later she came back to Purdue University to become the associate dean and director of academic programs for Purdue University's College of Agriculture.

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# Officer Introductions

Karly Yager - Publicity Committee Member

## *Emily Kilmer*

**Office:** President

**Home Town:** Wolcott, Indiana

**What are you excited about in your new position:** Creating opportunities for members to find personal success and growth through IAAE-Purdue.

**Fun Fact:** I am the oldest of six kids.



## *Connor Wilson*

**Office:** Vice President

**Home Town:** Rockville, IN

**What are you excited about in your new position:** Working on expanding the Mentor Mentee Program

**Fun Fact:** Currently serving as the Indiana FFA Section III

DirectorPlease include a picture of yourself



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*Samantha Deppe*

**Office:** Reporter

**Home Town:** Bargersville, Indiana

**What are you excited about in your new position:** Reaching out to Purdue students who are not involved in IAAE or the College of Agriculture!

**Fun Fact:** I shoot livestock photography!



*Helen Eaglin*

**Office:** Vice President of Fundraising and Marketing

**Home Town:** Reelsville, IN

**What are you excited about in your new position:** I am most excited about expanding my network and learning even more about how I can make an impact in Agriculture Education.

**Fun Fact:** I know a lot of traditions and songs about Purdue. I also help take care of the Boilermaker Special and Xtra Special.



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## *Brianna Slonaker*

**Office:** Vice President of Campus Relations

**Home Town:** Plymouth, Indiana

**What are you excited about in your new position:** Connecting with students on campus! My role is more of a fun one where me and my committee plan fun events for students to attend!

**Fun Fact:** I am a Service Dog Trainer for Northern Indiana Service Dogs. I have currently completed 4 service dogs with my last one placed 3 weeks ago!



## *Ashby Grimes*

**Office:** Treasurer

**Home Town:** West Point, IN

**What are you excited about in your new position:** I am excited to work with my other teammates to make this club welcoming to all members, new and old.

**Fun Fact:** My first name is my mom's maiden name.



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## Hannah Mehringer

**Office:** Secretary

**Home Town:** Dubois, Indiana

**What are you excited about in your new position:** I am excited to get to work with all the members in IAAE and getting to know the incoming Freshman for Fall of 2020.

**Fun Fact:** My high school's mascot was The Jeep. It is a magical creature from Popeye and my school was one of two schools in the nation to use it as their mascot.



## Brittany Gonzales

**Office:** Vice-President of Public Relations

**Home Town:** Wolcott, IN

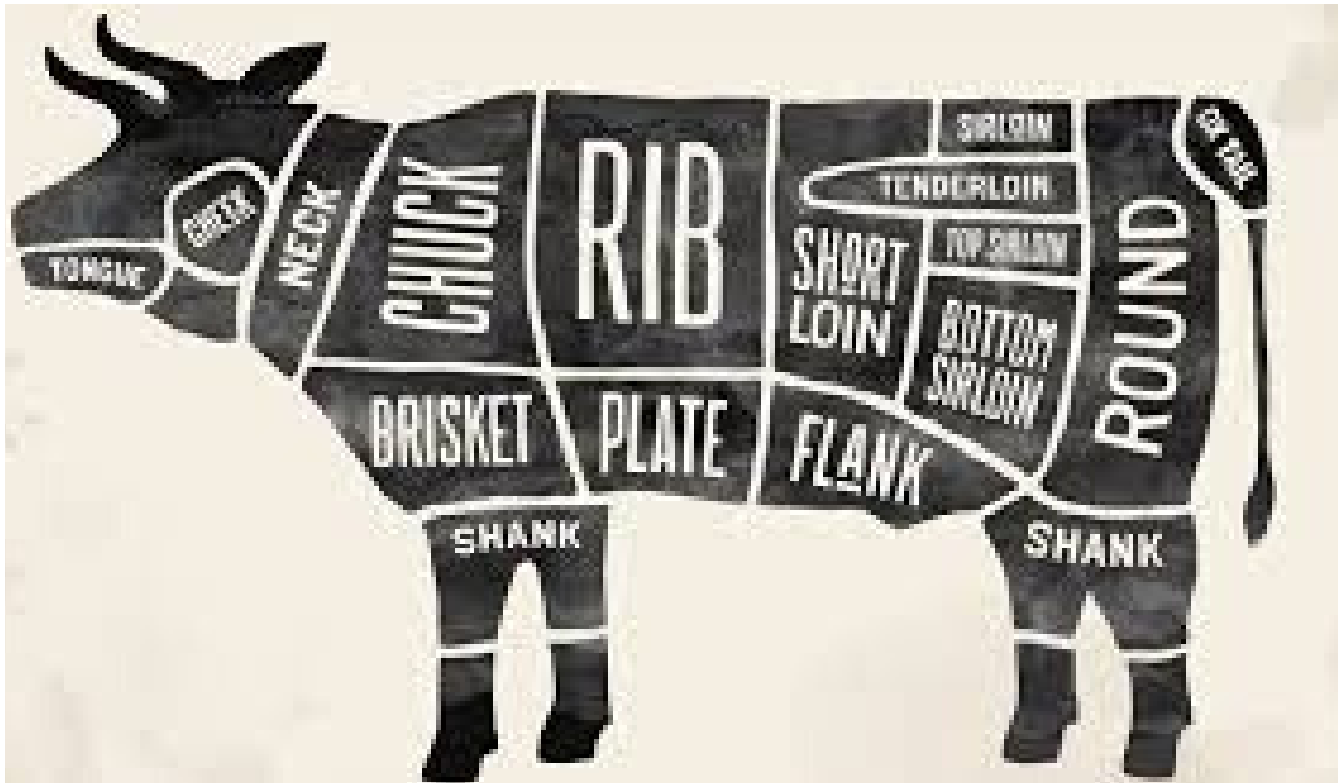
**What are you excited about in your new position:** I am excited to plan events with the team and get members motivated to attend them!

**Fun Fact:** I own a sulcata tortoise named Frankie.



# AG Facts and Issues

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## Myth or Truth?

Sydney Smith - Publicity Committee Member

*Meats that come from the grocery store are filled with hormones that are unnatural and not healthy to be consumed.*

This is **false**, meats that come from the grocery store are under strict regulations. Before the cow can be cleared for slaughter, it must undergo a test to see if the antibiotics or hormones have completely passed through their system. Most other foods are several times higher!

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## Upcoming Events

Samantha Deppe - Publicity Committee Chairperson

- Spring Fling: March 24th 6:30pm Lily 3-102
- Purdue Day of Giving: April 24