

SAAESD Virtual Fall Meeting

September 29, 2020

Participants: Damian Adams, FL, Paula Agudelo, SC, John Blanton, MS, Wes Burger, MS, John Davis, FL, Susan Duncan, VA, Henry Fadamiro, AL, Loren Fisher, NC, Jerry Fankhauser, FL, Robert Gilbert, FL, Bob Godfrey, VI, Amy Grunden, NC, Robert Houtz, KY, Steve Lommel, NC, Nathan McKinney, AR, J.F. Meullenet, AR, David Monks, NC, Allen Moore, GA, Reuben Moore, MS, Saied Mostaghimi, VA, Lesley Oliver, KY, Keith Owens, OK, David Ragsdale, TX, Randy Raper, OK, Tim Rials, TN, Mike Salassi, LA, Nathan Slaton, AR, Bob Stougaard, GA, Michael Toews, GA, David White, TN, and Hongwei Xin, TN

Executive Director's Office: Gary Thompson, SAAESD and Donna Pearce (recorder)

Other guests: Gary Jackson, ASRED Representative

Action Items

S1	Agenda – Approved (Saied Mostaghimi / JF Meullenet) Spring Meeting Minutes – Approved (Saied Mostaghimi / Steve Lommel) Interim Actions – Approved (Saied Mostaghimi / Steve Lommel)
S2	All recommendations from the SERA Review Committee were approved (Reuben Moore / Rob Gilbert)
S3	Approved SCC33 & SCC80 proposals (JF Meullenet / David Ragsdale)
S5	Rob Gilbert was elected as SAAESD Chair-elect, effective immediately
S6	Bob Godfrey was presented the 2020 SAAESD Excellence in Leadership award

Task Items

Gary will send out and email ballot asking the COO's to vote on a proposal to align our approval processes for Southern Coordinating Committees and Multistate projects so that final approval is made by the MRC Committee with the results reported to the SAAESD directors at regional meetings.	Done
Gary will send out an email to each station requesting their communications director	Done
Send updated SAAESD budget for remaining year to directors	

Agenda

Time	Item #	Agenda Item – Presenter
Tuesday, September 29		
2:00 pm	S1	<p>Welcome and Introductions – Keith Owens</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of Agenda • Spring Meeting Minutes • Interim Actions <p>Action taken: Agenda – Approved (Saied Mostaghimi / JF Meullenet) Spring Meeting Minutes – Approved (Saied Mostaghimi / Steve Lommel) Interim Actions – Approved (Saied Mostaghimi / Steve Lommel)</p>
2:10 pm	S2	<p>SERA Review Committee Report – David Monks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommendations, Discussion & Motion for approval <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SERA5 – Sweet Potato Collaborators’ Working Group ○ SERA35 - Delta Region Farm Management and Agricultural Policy Working Group <p>In meeting discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 SERA’s up for renewal (SERA5 & SERA35) • Committee’s recommendation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Committee recommendation is for 5 year approval for both SERA’s ○ SERA 5 and 35 need to complete/update Appendix E participant list ○ Include more specific and measurable impacts and outcomes <p>Action taken:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion for approval – (Reuben Moore / Rob Gilbert) • All recommendations from the SERA Review Committee were approved

2:20 pm	S3	<p>Multistate Research Committee Report –Nathan McKinney</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Approval of SCC33 & SCC80 <p>In meeting discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Southern Coordinating Committees (SCC's) currently, go through similar review steps as a Multistate project by the Multistate Research Committee (MRC), but do not require peer reviews and NIFA approval. We would like to make a motion to accept the MRC's recommendation of approval and treat SCC's like all other project approvals• Gary will send out an email ballot asking the COO's to vote on a proposal to align our approval processes for Southern Coordinating Committees and Multistate projects so that final approval is made by the MRC Committee with the results reported to the SAAESD directors at regional meetings. <p>Action taken: Approved SCC33 & SCC80 proposals (JF Meullenet / David Ragsdale)</p>
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2:30 pm	S4	<p>NRSP Review Committee Recommendations and Ballot Preview – Keith Owens</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● NRSP Renewals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ NRSP4 - <i>Facilitating Registration of Pest Management Technology for Specialty Crops and Specialty Uses</i> ○ NRSP6 - <i>The US Potato Genebank: Acquisition, Classification, Preservation, Evaluation and Distribution of Potato (Solanum) Germplasm</i> ○ NRSP8 - <i>National Animal Nutrition Program</i> ● NRSP Midterm Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ NRSP1 - <i>Multistate Research Information Management and Impact Communications Program</i> ● NRSP Guidelines Revisions Discussion ● NRSP-RC Recommendations and Voting Instructions <p>We are pleased to provide you with a link to the electronic voting for the FFY21 NRSP-RC recommendations, due 15 min after the NRSP-RC report during the Fall ESS Business meeting on 10/1: https://uwmadison.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3r4gblmWKnTxua9. Please cast your vote using ONLY the online survey tool.</p> <p>In meeting discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● NRSP-RC recommendations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ NRSP4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Recommends funding for 5 years; include a clear distinction between NRSP4 and IRA4; plan transiting off NRSP funding ○ NRSP6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Recommends funding be terminated in FY20 which automatically results in 1 additional year of funding. A new proposal would be considered ○ NRSP9 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Recommends funding for 5 years; transition plans due at mid-term review ● NRSP Guidelines <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ NRSP-RC is recommending a two-track system for NRSP's <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Capacity or core ▪ New and emerging competitive innovations ● NRSP-RC voting on-line survey link is live ● One vote per station ● Due 15 minutes after NRSP-RC report on October 1st ● Votes are Approve/Disapprove/Abstain on NRSP-RC recommendations
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3:10 pm	S5	<p>Nominating Committee Report – Jean-Francois Meullenet</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SAAESD Chair-elect <p>In meeting discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rob Gilbert, FL, was nominated for SAAESD Chair-elect and nominations were closed • Rob Gilbert was elected by acclamation
3:20 pm	S6	<p>Resolutions Committee Report – Lesley Oliver</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leadership Award Presentation – Keith Owens <p>Action Taken:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bob Godfrey was presented the 2020 SAAESD Excellence in Leadership award
3:30 pm	S7	<p>Discussion Items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cotton Winter Nursery update – Gary Thompson • Communications & Marketing Committee update – Jean-Francois Meullenet <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Roadmap Plan Outline • ESS Budget Preview Discussion – Gary Thompson <p>In meeting discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cotton Winter Nursery update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Had a Zoom meeting with Don Jones reviewed both Cotton Winter Nursery and CottonGen history, activities, cost, and budgets ○ CottonGen is shared between Cotton Incorporated, USDA, SAAESD Organization and two companies ○ Spoke with Alfronzo, Operations Manager in Costa Rico ○ Have received invoices from both CWN and CottonGen • Communications & Marketing Committee update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Consultant group hired to work on Strategic Plan for Communications roadmap ○ CMC moved to a standing committee of BAA ○ Requested an additional section be established to represent Agricultural Communications ○ Recommendation that BAA hire in house communications personal • ESS Budget Preview Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CY2019 has carryover of \$92,000 ○ CY2020 - \$200,000 • Gary will send out email requesting the name of each station’s communications director
3:50 pm	S8	<p>Passing of the Gavel – Keith Owens</p>
4:00 pm	Adjourn @ 4:03pm	