

*Program and Staff
Development*

Information Items



Online staff development courses completed

- ▶ Background – Course on Extension History is complete and reviewed. Course in Presentation Skills is complete and under review. These are on the eXtension professional development site.
- ▶ Committee Involved – PSD
- ▶ Time Line – August 2008



Surveys completed

- ▶ **Background** – Surveys have been conducted and completed in New Agent Orientation Web-based Modules and Leadership/Management Resources for Middle Management. Results will be posted and distributed.
- ▶ **Committee Involved** – PSD
- ▶ **Time Line** – August 2008



National PSD Directory

- ▶ **Background** – The Southern Region PSD committee has completed a National Directory of Extension Program and Staff Development Professionals. The creation of a Professional Development Community is being considered.
- ▶ **Committee Involved** – PSD
- ▶ **Time Line** – August 2008



Survey of PLN Impact

- ▶ **Background** – Focus group input on PLN impact reflected a need for further surveys of PLN representatives. A report will be given to PLC at the next meeting with a further survey and published report to follow. This report could be presented in Orlando at the 2009 PLN Conference.
- ▶ **Committee Involved** – PSD
- ▶ **Time Line** – Fall 2008 – 2009



Recommendation to NEPDC

- ▶ **Background** – Templates and standards for eXtension learning sites need instructional design input. Confusion exists between eXtension’s 4 learning sites and sharing spaces. PSD representatives to NEPDC will recommend that NEPDC include Instructional Design input and review in development of guidelines and standards for eXtension PDC learning sites
- ▶ **Committee Involved** – PSD
- ▶ **Time Line** – Next NEPDC meeting



Summary

- ▶ History of Extension and Presentation Skills online courses completed
- ▶ Surveys of Web-based Modules for New Agent Orientation and Leadership/ Management Resources for Middle Management completed
- ▶ A National Directory of Extension Program & Staff Development Professionals developed
- ▶ Focus groups on PLN Impact have been conducted with a more comprehensive survey to be proposed
- ▶ Recommend Instructional Design input into NEPDC eXtension guidelines for PDC learning site

