Southern Region Program Leader Network Meeting
May 10, 2016
(712) 432-0931, participant code 572585#
8 AM CST/9 AM EST

Arch Smith (GA), Tom Broyles (TN), Dorothy Wilson (OK), Janet Fox (LA), Charlene Jacobs (KY), Shawn Moore (KY), Chris Boleman (TX), Cathy Sutphin (VA), Woodie Hughes Jr. (GA), Mark Tassin (LA), Noah Washburn (AR), Chris DeCubellis (FL), Artis Stevens (National 4-H), Amy McCune (NIFA)

National Council Update – Artis Stevens

- Artis extended a thank you for the support with the "Grow True Leaders" campaign; shout-out to NIFA for partnership
    - Great response at 4-H conference
    - Outstanding media coverage
    - Trended on Twitter
- A request to join "Thunder Clap" promotion scheduled for May 21st-goal of 500 individual responses
- Efforts are still underway to organize alumni efforts:
    - Questions: (Artis Stevens)
        - "do you know of alums in your state;"
        - "is there a collective list which could be shared with National Headquarters"
        - "does anyone have a relationship with any minor league baseball teams

Kathy asked when National will begin contacting Universities that have invested in the campaign; reply: conversations have begun and communication is scheduled to go out next week to the individuals

Artis provided his email address, astevens@fourhcouncil.edu and encouraged questions and feedback

NIFA update-Amy McCune

- Amy shared the National 4-H Conference went off well and the youth had a wonderful experience
    - There was a survey of suggestions for future topics provided by delegates and chaperones; as well an informal survey of teens for topic areas of interest to gain a prospective of upcoming issues for discussion; gain more input for round table discussions
    - Would like to use state feedback or continue using post-surveys from conference
- Mark suggested each state appoint a contact person and the creation of an online survey
- Kathy added that such a survey can be utilized at the Southern Region Teen Leadership Conference

LGBTQ results-Janet Fox (LA)

- Resources regarding working with this particular population was sent via email
- Kansas has an established policy; CA, CO, and NH are currently working on a policy; most states are handling the matter of working with the population case by case basis
- National 4-H Conference approaching. The registration link will go live on January 19th.
- It was recommended/encouraged by Mark Mains (KY) and Dr. Bonita Williams (NIFA) to eliminate the "Q" as a descriptor due to a perception of disrespect from mainstream
- Determined every University is handling differently

Online Forms-Janet Fox (LA)

- Seeking to add health forms as an online format
  - Informal survey
- Charlene Jacobs (KY) shared health forms are presently in the cloud and there are plans of going to OneDrive to store forms; not completing online due to confidentiality concerns; Tom (TN) concurred on the use of paper forms
- Kathy (VA)-fill out forms online and store online; Chris (TX) has the same process
- It was asked if forms can manipulated for reporting purposes-Chris (TX) replied with no

Southern Region Program Leaders' Network Meeting

- August 22nd-26th; hotel accommodations and conference location: Sheridan Music City
- Registration is now available online; early registration ends July 15th
- Finalize meeting agenda (July); email any pertinent agenda items to Tom Broyles (TN)
- discussion suggestions for Leaders meeting
  - Promotion of cross collaborations across states
  - Creating new harmonies-addressing regional opportunities
  - State reports
    - How should we report/necessity
      - Amy (NIFA): space out over the course of conference meeting days
      - Tom (TN): states come with 2-3 exceptional programs to highlight
      - Mark (LA):agreed with states highlighting specific programs

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- Proposed allotted time and space for state leaders to meet in a specific session as last year; additional cost to conference registration
- Conference registration available June 1st

Next Meeting

- July 12, 2016-Conference Call 8 am CST/9 am EST. Call 712-432-0931, Code 572585#