

Southern Region 4-H Program Leaders Committee Conference Call
March 12, 2019
8:30 CST/ 9:30 EST

Present on the Call (Highlighted):

Alabama – Molly Gregg
Arkansas – Angie Freel, Marth Ray Sartor, Teki Winston
Delaware – Henry Thayer
Florida – Kimberly Davis, Michael Gutter, Tonda Nelson, Heather Kent, Conchita Newman
Georgia – Arch Smith, Woodie Hughes, Jr., Melanie Biersmith, Sue Chapman,
Kentucky – Mark Mains, Travella Free
Louisiana – Janet Fox, Toby Lepley, Tiffany Franklin
Mississippi – Larry Alexander, Manola Erby, Shirley Middleton, Paula Threadgill
North Carolina – Mitzi Downing, Mike Yoder, Claudette Smith
Ohio – Prosper Doamekpor
Oklahoma – Kevin Allen, Dorothy Wilson
Puerto Rico – Mayra Hernandez de Ramos
South Carolina – Pamela Ardern, Ashley Burns, Boyd Owens
Tennessee – Tom Broyles, Dwight Loveday
Texas – Courtney Dodd, Rukeia Draw-Hood
Virginia – Jeremy Johnson, Maurice Smith, Cathy Sutphin, Albert Reid
National 4-H Headquarters – Doug Swanson
National 4-H Council – Heather Elliott

The meeting was called to order on 3/12/2019 at 9:35 am by Janet Fox, Chair.

National 4-H Council Update

- Legacy Awards
- Paper Clover (March/April) with JoAnne's Fabrics
- TSC Paper Clover – March 27
- Raise Your Hand – April 1 – May 15, weighted based on population of the state, prizes for programs with most hands raised

National 4-H HQ Update

- True Leaders in Service to 4-H – on website, promote and encourage this effort
- Volunteer Recruitment Materials – materials are being finalized and will be sent out soon
- National Extension Conference on Volunteerism – May 13-16, Montana, pre-conference for volunteer specialists on May 13
- National 4-H Conference – April 6-11, about 230 youth participating
- There is a potential partnering opportunity for programs directly involved with public housing. If you have programs with these groups, please contact Doug Swanson.

SR-PLN – August, Louisiana

ECOP Update

- Round 2 of the 4-H Grows Campaign has been sent out. Respond by the deadline if you want to re-enroll or enroll.

- Dr. Crockell met with the group and identified a top need as hiring a National 4-H program leader. There is no time line but this is a priority.

PLWG Update

- 4-H Thrive Model – movement toward adopting this “officially” but this has not been finalized yet. Request for further research and implementation materials.
- 4-H Fact Sheets Update – Religion and 4-H, Naming 4-H Clubs will be revised
- Gender Identification – discussion around the categories of gender, reporting will include 2 traditional categories as well as 4 additional categories that can be used by the state if needed

Updates from Plan of Work items *(see attached)*

Respectfully Submitted,
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SR PLN - Secretary

Upcoming Meetings

May 12, 2019 8:30 AM CST/9:30 AM EST

July 9, 2019 8:30 AM CST/9:30 AM EST

Meetings are scheduled for 8:30 a.m. (CT) and 9:30 a.m. (ET). You can join the conference call with the following information: 605-468-8029; participant code: 572585#