



# Decision, Accomplishment, & Information Items

August 25, 2022



Background: FCS realizes the need for community-level health data. This information would provide opportunities for multi-state and regional collaborations. FCS will work with a social and analytics group to develop a Southern Region Health indicator dashboard.

- Committee Involved: FCS
- Action Requested: \$5,000 to initiate the project with a UVA social and analytics group.
- Timeline: Start 9/2022; Development will begin and progress will be provided by 8/2023.

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- Southern Region Teen Leadership Conference was completed on February 3-6, 2022, in Crossville, TN
- Southern Region 4-H Biennial Conference for specialists was completed on March 28-31, 2022, in Jekyll Island, GA
- Southern Regional Horse Championship was completed on August 3-7, 2022, in GA.

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- Disaster Loss Assessment Survey – responses were summarized in a report to the PLC and ANR Committee (completed)
- Joint meeting with North Central Region in Washington, D.C. postponed due to COVID-19 but occurred virtually (continuing)
- Heirs' property – identified opportunities through SRDC (continuing)

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- Created website audit checklist for use by Communications professionals.
- Created slide decks branded as a SR-PLN resource for use by members of the committee for training at their institutions [Communications Curricula Project].
- Updated Social Media Guidelines document to make a part of a resource library available on the Communications Committee webpage.



- Convened a group to consider CRD's role in community resiliency (preparation and response) related to climate change. This resulted in nine conversations that will lead to a webinar series in the coming year.
- Collected CRD examples of 1890/1994/1862 collaboration as well as surveyed committee members to explore challenges and opportunities to support collaboration growth.
- Produced Southern Region CRD Indicator Report to illustrate impact for the 8th consecutive year.



- Participated in grant proposal review panels: 13 proposals reviewed by 11 different committee members
- Secured External Funding
  - Food Safety Extension Network awarded \$200,000
  - New partnerships and funding from vaccination efforts (Pandemic & EXCITE II 2): >\$3.25M
  - Farmer Stress and ranch grants: \$8.6M
  - CDC-HOP grants and supplemental Family Weight Funding (\$15M)
  - CYFAR Uplift grant \$1.5M
- Created, planned, and executed the Food Safety Extension Network



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- Customized our existing grant repository in Teams into sub-categories based on the various technologies (Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Access Point Wireless etc.). Members contributed grant opportunities as they were identified.
- Created a repository for sharing policies, guidance, and procedures. Others can now glean language from these documents as needed.
- Held conversations through Teams and quarterly committee meetings provided opportunities for members to discover cost savings through software acquisition purchases, learn ways to reduce organizational risk with security policies, and share ideas for multi-state collaboration.

# Accomplishments



- Reviewed Professional Scheduling policies and training resources across Southern Region: A panel discussion was held during 2022 committee meeting and summary document to be uploaded SRPLN website.
- Held two presentations (June and August, 2022)- Administrative Shadowing for Middle Manager succession. Summary document to be uploaded to SRPLN website.
- Conducted quarterly zoom meetings for plan of work engagement and discussion of timely topics (Oct, Feb, April and June).

# Accomplishments



- Piloted the adoption of <https://connect.extension.org/> for sharing PSD resources internally.
- Hosted a virtual summer school “Staff Development: Pipeline to Promotion” in collaboration with NAEPSDP with 208 live attendees (duplicated).
- Identified best practices for virtual program delivery and evaluation.

# Information





- Conduct 4-H Data Collection and Management System
- Conduct Southern Region Shooting Sports Coordinators Trainings
- Advance the 4-H Thriving Model.



- Engage a subcommittee to determine natural disaster responsiveness and what ANR leaders should be doing.
- Engage a subcommittee to identify successful programs and collaborative efforts between 1862, 1890, 1994 institutions in urban agriculture.
- Plan for joint meeting with North Central Region in Washington, D.C.



- Research and recommend best practices for open and live captioning.
- Build out the curricula modules into final slide decks (Curricula Project).
- Collaborate with the Information Technology (IT) Committee to explore the development of resources and training on best practices for digital delivery and examples of technology resources to assist with accessibility (ADA) and 508 compliance.



During the 2022-23 year, CRD plans to:

- Identify best practices and barriers in recruitment and retention of CRD agents, specialists, and faculty.
- Based on survey results from 2021, explore opportunities for mentorship, capacity building, and collaboration within CRD across institution types (1890/1862/1994).
- Examine findings from Southern Region Listening Sessions to determine CRD opportunities and investments.





- Create teams page for PLN and Extension Specialists' shared resources and calendars with channels for nutrition, health, and food safety and finance. Subcommittee groups will meet via Teams to discuss and accomplish goals for each emerging issues. Page will be managed by UGA.
- Continue to explore and collaborate on Robert Woods Johnson Foundation (RWJF), CDC and other grant funded opportunities.
- Anticipate and act cooperatively on emerging program issues and needs such as mental health/substance abuse and recovery, food safety, food access/security, and precision nutrition.



- Survey and write overview of the workflow/process for software and hardware purchasing and approval, and the disposal process for hardware.
- Work with the Communications Committee to explore the development of an accessibility and compliance web series.
- Create a survey to determine IT staffing levels at institutions. Survey will be distributed to the appropriate IT administrators. A report of the findings will be sent to the IT administrators for distribution.



- Hold Bi-annual 2023 Middle Managers Conference: April 11-14, 2023  
Biloxi, MS  
<https://ce.extension.msstate.edu/srmmc>
- Hold Southern Region NUEL Conference: August 8-10, 2023 Houston, TX  
<https://harris.agrilife.org/>
- Hold quarterly zoom meetings for committee engagement and discussion of timely topics.



- Conduct Virtual Summer School with NAEPSDP.  
(contact Cheryl Newberry, [cheryl.Newberry@okstate.edu](mailto:cheryl.Newberry@okstate.edu))
- Develop a draft organizational health score card assessment.
- Launch a quarterly regional civil rights review working group.