

**Community Resource Development Call/Zoom Meeting
February 14, 2024
2:00PM (EST)/1:00 (CST)**

Attendees: Robinson, Upendram, Seals, Klose, Ramos, Bond, Tyler-MacKenley, Jakes, Holmes, Stokes, Rocker, Rendleman, Rocker, Goodman, Green, Wilcox, Welborn, Scammahorn, McCullough, Hodges, Kahl, Davis and Walker.

I. Opening Business

Susan Jakes

a. Welcome

Dr. Allen is on maternity leave, so Jakes presided in her absence. The meeting began at 2:05PM (EST)/1:05PM (CST). Unfortunately, she reported that she did not receive any materials for distribution.

b. Review and Approval of Minutes

McCullough made a motion to accept the Minutes. Seals second the motion.

II. Administrative Advisor Updates

a. AEA

Kimberly Holmes

1. Held their joint (AEA/Association with Research Directors) annual Winter meeting in Nashville, TN
2. Possible Use of Artificial Intelligence in Extension programs.
3. USDA and NIFA Updates.
4. Standardize performance reporting on key optimal program indicators among 1890 institutions and annual group reporting. Report to designated Advisory Committee.
5. Feel free to contact Holmes if you have any questions or concerns.
6. Monthly 1890 Newsletter/contributors on campus. In honor of Black History Month, will feature the transformative impact of Women of Color in Extension and Agriculture.
7. Accepting application for Excellence in Extension Award beginning 2/14/24 until 5/1/24 at least one Program Area per Institution.

III. ASRED

Ashley Stokes

1. Stokes was absent, but Justin gave a report in her absence.

NIFA Update

Sarah Rocker

1. Talked about Inter-agency and Local/Regional Foods System. She thanked all those who shared the info with stakeholders.
2. Partnership with Forest Services around community development. Identify rural communities for planning and funding. In Spring (Mar/April), they plan to distribute applications and in the Summer decide final candidates. RERC – 3rd round of funding for 25 new rural communities.

3. She mentioned that there was a soft launch of the new publication, which they've been working on over the past 2 years. She stated that it is a 58 page pdf. It was funded by the USDA in partnership with the Forest Department. They want to pilot it with 25 new rural communities and are asking land grant universities to identify some communities between March and April. A selection will be made in the Summer of 2024. RERC will be applying for a third round of funding.

IV. NACDEP Update **Hunter Goodman**

1. Remind NACDEP Award Deadline is February 15, 2024.
2. NACDEP Conference is scheduled for 6/17/24 – 6/20/24 in Houston, TX.
3. NACDEP Board Meeting – Scholarships for 1890 to attend conference is still being worked on by host committee. She solicited questions or concerns for committee. NACDEP issues need to be lifted up and addressed by the committee.
4. Mackenzie mentioned Trailblazing with a lead host is an 1890 Institution.
5. A planned letter to go to your administrators. Dr. Karen Williams will draft letter, which will go out to 1890 Administrators. Thank you to RRDC ongoing support and sponsorships. Dr. Williams will have to be careful how she crafts this letter, since no institutions are able to contribute.
6. Wilborn announced that the Career Awards/NACDEP Awards will be given out during the Conference. They will continue their work with the Program Leaders.

V. PLC Committee Update **Adam Hodges & Dan Kahl**

1. No update, since their Committee isn't scheduled to meet until the next day.

VI. SRDC Update **John Green**

1. Reported on collaboration between 1890 & 1862.s at work between 1862&1890.
2. *Create Bridges* curricula is available on SRDC website.
3. Thanks for distributing Population Change information to the network. The workshops will be held each Thursday until the end of the month.
5. CED scheduled tomorrow.
6. Train the trainer in Birmingham, AL for Heirs Rights on 2/21 & 2/22. Five (5) slots open.
7. Train the trainer in Atlanta for Digital Volunteer workshops.
8. Bonnie Teeter Award given out during Southern Region meeting at NACDEP. Deadline in April.
9. Continue to work with pre-conference leaders. Panel style engagement. Acknowledged Sarah for her cooperation. More information for next call.

NC PLC Committee Update**Michael Wilcox**

1. Wilcox reported from the JCEP Leadership Conference in Tampa, FL. He briefly talked about the collaboration between 1890/1862 Land Grants.
2. Create bridges and is available on SRDC website.
3. Bonnie Teeter Award given out during Southern Region meeting at NACDEP. Deadline in April.
4. Continue to work with pre-conference leaders. Panel style engagement. Acknowledged Sarah for her cooperation. More information to follow during the next call.
5. They have a strong desire to update the indicators before the conference in Minneapolis, MN on 5/14 & 5/15.
6. He reported that the NCCA donated \$17,500 towards the Conference, which is invitation only to the conference in Minneapolis.
7. They plan to release five (5) Indicators on the national level. A general population survey on economic conditions was distributed in the Southern region.
8. Training opportunities funded by NCED open to the south.

a. Review CRD Plan of Work**Susan Jakes****b. Around the South****Rachel Welborn**

Everyone has agreed to participate. If anyone isn't receiving the newsletter, please notify Welborn. In preparation for the Joint meeting, a call for information for the May/June/July months are being requested.

Wilborn represents the Southern region, Pre-Conference at NACDEP.

A basic introductory webinar will be conducted and she encouraged interest in 15-20 CRD Extension Specialist willing to collaborate. They need to decide on a title.

c. CRD Indicators**Roseanne Scammahorn****d. Re-evaluate current Indicators****Stacey McCullough**

Need the participation of members. We want to make sure everyone is accounted for.

e. Host an Indicators Training**Susan Jakes**

Will schedule a training session in the Fall 2024.

f. ID priority areas to collaborate**Joshua Davis**

No report. Hunter agreed to follow up at next meeting.

g. Conduct CED 101 training**Jamie Rae Walker**

Southern region is going to do a pre-conference. An intro Webinar. Other forms to reach audiences. SRDC will host event. Opportunity to create training for non-CED reps.

VII. Other Business

VIII. Bond hopes to have an update at the next meeting.

IX. Stacey stated that the results will help to inform our work and where we go from here.

X. It was reported that Fairview A&M is taking the lead on the annual conference. They are looking for support from the 1890 Foundation, so she mentioned that a letter is being drafted for the Administrators of the 18090 Institutions to support support NACDEP through sponsorships. Iris Crosby will reach out to Program Leaders. Dr Williams will be drafting the letter.

XI. New Business

None

XII. Next meeting: April 10, 2024 at 2:00PM (EST)/1:00PM (CST) using the same zoom link.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Rendleman
Recording Secretary