

New Committee Officers and Key Contacts September 1, 2015 – August 31, 2016

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Annual Plan of Work September 1, 2015 – August 31, 2016

Item to Accomplish	Responsibility (Names of people assigned to item)	Key Contact (Person who will serve as a key contact for item)	Goal Date (Anticipated completion date)	Completion Date (to be filled in when completed)
Collaborate with eXtension and the Southern Region Communications Committee to identify and communicate helpful technology tools and methods across the region. Efforts will include working with eXtension professionals as advisors.	Entire Committee.	Entire committee	August 2016	Ongoing

- University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture Cooperative Extension Service and Fort Valley State University served on a webinar panel of three experts sharing their experiences with Zoom video conferencing software. Arkansas shared numerous examples of how this tool is being utilized in programming, training, and information dissemination, along with cost benefit information from a recent series of meetings. Mary Poling shared Zoom growth and utilization for the past three years documenting its adoption rate and significant impact on program delivery and cost savings for Arkansas' Extension programs.
- Amy Cole, Director of Digital Media Program Director for the University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture Cooperative Extension Service, is serving on the Horizon.x expert panel representing web based technologies and social media.
- University of Kentucky. Monthly eXtension Institutional Team webinars, but our collaboration with eXtension has diminished over the last year.
- Texas A&M have been working on and off on the idea of a technology catalog. The idea behind that came out of the roundtables done at last year's SRPLN meeting.
- On the eXtension collaboration I started working with Rich Phelps when he was still with eXtension, then worked with Larry Lippke when the eXtension Catalog was launched. They are onboard with the idea and willing to collaborate. Larry setup a test using eXtension Moodle. That is available but it really just a prototype catalog and needs some review and discussion to move forward. I also discussed the idea with Jamie Seger and EdTech learning community leaders. They generally like the idea, it fits that communities mission.
- Fort Valley State University, Prairie View, and Langston University are working with eXtension on a Pilot Mapping Project
- SRPLN invited CEO Chris Geith and staff to discuss eXtension during quarterly meetings.
- Tuskegee University, Karen Craig, and Virginia Tech, Neal Vines, serve on Advisory Panel for eXtension
- Fort Valley State University, Terrence Wolfork serves as 1890 eXtension Liaison
- Alabama A&M, University of Tennessee faculty and staff participated in eXtension's i3 corps initiative.
- University of Tennessee promoted and was awarded an eXension Innovation grant to explore the use of augmented reality to extend the usage and lifespan of traditional Extension educational materials.

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Share policies and procedures to manage equipment and sensitive information that adhere to Information Security frameworks and minimizes risks for Southern Region IT members.	Emily Tipton University of Tennessee Steve Garner University of Kentucky	Emily Tipton University of Tennessee Steve Garner University of Kentucky	August 2016	

- During quarterly committee meetings, membership shared current security programs, ongoing initiatives and the future direction of information technology security related to Extension.
- Committee members compiled university standards related to securing information, data sharing protocols, information security awareness training and other key topic.
- Compiled resources will be shared via the SR-PLN IT Committee website, http://srpln.msstate.edu/pln/it.html.

Conference Call Dates

Thursday Dates October 15, 2015 April 7, 2016
10:00 a.m. Central February 4, 2016
11:00 a.m. Eastern

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