



**Southern Region PLN Joint Meeting
Joint PLC, Committee Officer Meeting
August 24, 2023
Minutes**

Participants:

ANR: Dan Goerlich, Uma Karki
COM: Lyndall Stout
CRD: Adam Hodges, Dan Kahl
4-H: Melanie Biersmith
FCS:
IT: Brian Watson, Cedric Spradley, Angela Gibson
PSD: Cheryl Newberry
MM: Blake Lanford

ASRED: Tom Dobbins, Ron Brown

AEA: Obadiah Njue, Vonda Richardson

SRDC: Rachel Welborn, Grace Langford, Roseanne Scammahorn

1. Dan led a brief welcome and introductions of new PLC members.
2. August 21 minutes were approved as presented.
3. PLC Joint Meeting Call Schedule for 2023-24
 - a. Committee chose to keep the previous year's schedule of 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. Central / 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. Eastern, on the third Thursday of these months:
 - b. October 18 (this date was adjusted)*
 - c. February 15
 - d. April 18
 - e. June 20
 - f. July 18
 - g. Mid-Year Virtual Meeting—the Committee voted for a virtual meeting and will use Doodle polls to set up dates.
 - h. SRDC will set up the Zoom meetings and send calendar invitations for all meetings.
4. Decision, Accomplishment, and Information Items Review – all items were reviewed and clarified in preparation for the AEA/ASRED presentation.
5. Officers for 2023-24:
 - a. PLC Past Chair/Chair of Exec. Committee: Dan Kahl
 - b. PLC Chair/Vice-Chair of Exec. Committee: Uma Karki
 - c. PLC Vice-Chair: (1862 Rep) The committee voted to approve Blake Lanford
 - d. ANR/CRD/FCS/4H Representative to Executive Committee: The committee voted to approve Adam Hodges
6. Finalize Plan of Work: The committee moved this item to October's Agenda
 - a. Plan 2024 Joint Meeting
 - b. Newcomer Orientation
 - c. Chair Training
7. Other Business: Based on one Decision Item submitted, SRDC volunteered to convene a task force with representation from each committee to examine the infrastructure needs of committees both internally to their committee as well as externally facing resources.
8. Meeting adjourned

Addendum: Results of the AEA/ASRED review of Decision/Information/Action items:

http://srpln.msstate.edu/pln/files/action_info/Action-Info-Combined-2022-23.pdf

- **Communications:** Leveraging the expertise of the Communications Committee, requesting AEA and ASRED's participation in developing a strategic roadmap through a virtual meeting for promoting Extension. After plan is developed, request funding from directors/administrators for placement of paid digital advertising at the regional level. Approved. AEA/ASRED recommended involving the APLU Communications and Marketing Committee.
- **Family & Consumer Science:** Establish a cross-cutting task force to assess and address the need for translation services across the Southern Region. Approved. AEA/ASRED recommended Extension Foundation be included.
- **SRDC & all committees:** Committees need a place to share working documents as well as having a place to maintain records of accomplishments and plans. SRDC has agreed to convene a task force with representation from each committee to explore needs and options to support efforts. Action Requested: Representation from AEA and ASRED to help inform the decisions. Approved. AEA/ASRED recommended Extension Foundation be included.