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Message from the Chair



Dear Colleagues:

By now I hope all of the 1890 campuses have submitted their individual stakeholder comments about the 2010 RFA of the Capacity Building Grants (CBG) Program. The stakeholder meeting in Atlanta on July 27, 2010 allowed us to have the opportunity to hear the comments from the entire 1890 research, extension and teaching family. Many of the comments were editorial, and Dr. Ali Mohamed has indicated that these changes are easily made. Some campuses made recommendations that were not necessarily consensus. Also, some suggestions could bring about unanticipated consequences, so must be discussed further with NIFA offices. But the most important thing is that NIFA hears from all of you, as individual campuses—what you like, do not like or would like to have improved.

The 2011 CBG RFA is being developed now and so if you do not have your comments in very soon, they will be too late to be addressed until the next cycle. Your comments must be sent to the address below and Dr. Mohamed requests that you also send him a copy of what you submit.

Policy and Oversight Branch
Office of Extramural Programs
National Institute of Food and Agriculture
USDA; STOP 2299
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20250-2299



Or via email to RFP-OEP@NIFA.usda.gov

In your comments, please state that you are responding to the 1890 Institution Education, Research and Extension Capacity Building Grants Program RFA.

Dr. Mark Poth will be attending our Fall ARD Meeting in Nashville on September 27, 2010. He will make a presentation on the AFRI program. Please ask your scientists to give you questions or comments you want to share with Dr. Poth during this meeting.

Sincerely,

See you in Nashville.

Orlando McMeans, ARD Chair

2011 Biennial Research Symposium—April 9- 13, 2011 in Atlanta.

Please stay informed. The Symposium Website is still under construction but you can review the draft at <http://www.umes.edu/ard/1890symposium>

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2011 ESS/SAES/ARD Meeting and Workshop September 26 –30th in Nashville, TN

The ESS/SAES/ARD Meeting and Workshop officially begins at 3:00 P.M. on Monday, September 27, 2010 with regional meetings and a reception. However, the ARD Fall Meeting will take place that morning. At 8:15 A.M. Tennessee State University vans will transport the members of the ARD to the TSU campus and the business meeting will begin by 9 A.M. At noon, Dr. Chandra Reddy, Dean and Director and Dr. Carter Catlin, Jr., Assoc. Director, have graciously offered to serve the ARD lunch and give a tour of the TSU Research Labs.

At 2 P.M. the membership will be transported back to the Nashville Hilton Downtown and hear a presentation by Dr. Mark Poth about AFRI during the reconvening of the business meeting. Portions of the ARD business meeting will focus heavily on the 2011 Biennial Research Symposium. At 6:00 P.M. the ARD will join the other four regions of the Experiment Station Section of APLU for a reception. On Tuesday morning, September 28th, the ESS/SAES/ARD meeting will begin. The Agenda and associated materials for this session can/will be found at <http://www.escop.ncsu.edu/>. Please print these materials because attendees will not receive them on-site. Also, please watch your email for the agendas of both the ARD meeting and the ESS/SAES/ARD meetings.

In order to help you meet the deadline, the information below is intended to help you and your students to begin to develop abstracts for posters or oral presentations for the 2011 Symposium:

Symposium Theme:

1890 Research: Sustainable Solutions for Current and Emerging Issues

Deadline for Abstract Submission: November 19th at midnight (EST)

Abstract Formatting: Before submitting your abstract, make sure it conforms to the following :

Title

Capitalize all proper words.
Italicize genus and species
No footnotes
Bold all words in the title.

Body

Limit 250 words.
Give scientific name at first mention of the subject organism.
Do not cite references, figures, tables, probability levels, nor detailed results.
Refer to results only in the general sense.
Place three (3) to five (5) key words on a line below the abstract.

Authors and Affiliations

Last name last
No first names
Only Initials.
* denotes presenter.
Avoid footnoting.

Title, Authors and Affiliations Example

Screening *Capsicum chinense* Fruits of the World. G. F. Antonious*, Land Grant Program, Kentucky State University, Frankfort, KY 40101; J. C. Snyder, Department of Horticulture, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40546; and R. L. Jarret, USDA/ARS Plant Genetics Laboratory, Griffin, GA 30223.

Topic Areas

Human Health, Nutrition and Obesity Prevention
Food Safety and Global Food Security
Sustainable Plant and Animal Production Systems
Family, Youth, Community and Economic Development
Renewable Resources, Bioenergy and Environmental Stewardship