



AGENDA

CONFERENCE CALL

**BUDGET AND ADVOCACY COMMITTEE.
BOARD ON AGRICULTURE ASSEMBLY**

4:00 P.M. (EDT)

October 16, 2018

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CALL IN INSTRUCTIONS

Number: 1-800-264-8432

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- I. Call to Order (Beyrouthy)
- II. Roll Call (Gouge)
- III. Approval of Minutes (Beyrouthy)
- IV. Farm Bill Update (Cornerstone)
- V. Appropriations Update (Cornerstone)
- VI. November Meeting at APLU Annual Meeting
- VII. Other Business

Call to Order and Roll Call

BAC Advocacy Chairman Paul M. Patterson called the meeting to order and asked Eddie Gouge to call the roll. The following participated in the conference call:

Paul M. Patterson (*Advocacy Chair*), *Auburn University*
Jon C. Boren (*CES*), *New Mexico State University*
J. Ernest Minton (*ESS*), *Kansas State University*
J. Mark Erbaugh (*IAS*), *The Ohio State University*
Robert T. (Tom) Jones, (*CARET*), *Arizona*
Gary A. Thompson (*BAAPBD*), *The Pennsylvania State University*
Orlando F. McMeans (*BAAPBD*), *West Virginia State University*
Ian L. Maw, *APLU*
Eddie G. Gouge, *APLU*
Wendy Fink, *APLU*
Gabriela Gillespie, *APLU*
Marianne Klein, *APLU*
Alton Thompson, *Association of Research Directors (1890)*
Albert E. Essel, *Association of Extension Administrators (1890)*
H. Michael Harrington, *Western Association of Agricultural Experiment Station Directors*
Kevin Cain (*Veterinary Medicine*), *Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges*
Jim Richards, *Cornerstone Government Affairs*
Maggie Earle, *Cornerstone Government Affairs*

The following committee members/staff were unable to participate in the meeting:

Craig A. Beyroudy (*Chair*), *University of Maryland, College Park*; **David S. Buchanan** (*APS*), *North Dakota State University*; **M. Ray McKinnie** (*1890 Extension*), *Virginia State University*; **Dyremple B. Marsh** (*1890 Research*), *Delaware State University*; **Karen L. Jones** (*Non-Land-Grants/NARRU*), *Southern Illinois University at Carbondale*; **Lee S. Yudin** (*Insular/Territories*), *University of Guam*; **Jim Handley** (*CARET*), *Florida*; **Erik J. Porfeli**, (*Board on Human Sciences*), *The Ohio State University*; **Bryan K. Slinker** (*Veterinary Medicine*), *Washington State University*; **John P. Hayes** (*Forestry Resources*), *Colorado State University*; **Gregory A. Bohach** (*CLP*), *Mississippi State University*; **Gabrielle Serra** (*CGA*), *Oregon State University*; **Richard M. Klemme**, *APLU*; **Hanan Saab**, *APLU*; **Andrew T. Maccabe** (*Veterinary Medicine*), *Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges*; **Hunt Shipman**, *Cornerstone Government Affairs*; **Vernie Hubert**, *Cornerstone Government Affairs*; and, **Alice Gómez**, *Cornerstone Government Affairs*.

Minutes

The minutes from the September 18, 2018 conference call were approved.

Farm Bill Update

Cornerstone Government Affairs reported the following:

- Congress is in recess until after the mid-term elections in November, and they left Washington with no resolution to the Farm Bill
- the “Big Four” (the House and Senate Chairmen and Ranking members) have had telephone conversations
- House and Senate staff are working on the Farm Bill language and are making headway – the areas causing problems are: funding for conservation programs; SNAP (they seem to be at a stalemate and, with control of the U. S. House of Representatives uncertain, there will be no breakthroughs until after the November elections (then, there could be a quick resolution to the stalemate or continued stalemate until the new Congress is seated); and, were are waiting on feedback from Capitol Hill on our SNAP letter

Fiscal Year 2019 Appropriations Update

Cornerstone Government Affairs reported the following:

- the same is true here as was said for the Farm Bill – Congress is out of session until after the November elections
- a continuing resolution (CR) is in effect until December 7, 2018
- the agricultural appropriations bill is in a four-bill package and has been conferenced; it is awaiting floor action and will be the first order of business when they return for the post-election session
- the agricultural appropriations bill could be cleared and enacted before the CR expires

Annual Meeting

The BAC is scheduled to meet in the **St. Charles Room of the New Orleans Marriott at 11:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 10, 2018** in conjunction with the APLU Annual Meeting in New Orleans, LA.

Adjourn

BAC Advocacy Chairman Patterson adjourned the BAC meeting at 4:19 p.m. (EDT).