

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT  
TO THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE  
BOARD ON HUMAN SCIENCES, INC.  
November 11, 2017**

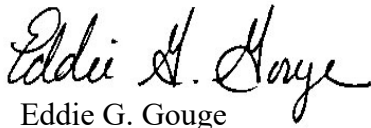
Since the 2017 Joint BoHS/CAFCS Spring Conference and July meeting of the BoHS Board of Directors in Calgary, Canada, it has been a busy and productive time for us at APLU and the Board on Human Sciences, Inc., and I would like to highlight for you some of the activities in which we have been involved:

- Worked with and supported the BoHS Board of Directors' Chair, Vice President for Program, Secretary-Treasurer, and liaisons
  - Conducted conference calls with the BoHS Chair and Secretary-Treasurer
  - Scheduled and participated in conference calls to assist in the formation of the Nominating Committee for the BoHS
  - Assisted in developing a Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the BoHS
  
- Assisted in providing organizational structure for the Board on Human Sciences, Inc.
  - Prepared and disseminated agendas, information, reports, and minutes
  - Scheduled and participated in a conference call to work on revisions to the BoHS *Rules of Operation*
  - Drafted the *2018-2020 Memorandum of Agreement* (see attachment on the BoHS website) and *2018 Scope of Work* (see attachment on the BoHS website) to be signed by the BoHS Chair and the APLU Vice President for Food, Agriculture, and Renewable Resources
  
- Supported efforts for advocacy of federal policy as well as collaboration with national organizations
  - Shared information about the Congressional hearings on SNAP/SNAP-Ed (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) and actions on Fiscal Year 2017 with administrators
  - Met with **Rick Mertens**, Chair of the Healthy Food Systems/Healthy People Implementation Team for an update on the implementation strategy and how to move the initiative forward (*Mertens and Gouge*)

- Kept the BoHS leadership informed about the ever-evolving scenario related to the nomination of **Dr. Sam Clovis** to become USDA's Chief Scientist and Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics until the withdrawal of his named occurred
- Assisted in keeping the issues of concern to the BoHS before the Board on Agriculture Assembly (BAA) Committee on Legislation and Policy (CLP)
- Advanced the BoHS organization –
  - Continued work on updating the BoHS portion of the APLU website
  - Used social media (e.g. Twitter) to share information about issue of importance to the human sciences community
  - Employed **Marianne Klein** as the part-time Program Staff Associate for the Board on Human Sciences, Inc. at APLU
  - Provided award nomination materials to the BoHS Awards Committee and tabulated the results and informed all relevant parties of the outcome –
    - ***Undergraduate Research Mentor Award***  
Awardee: **Lauren M. Papp**, Vaughan Bascom Professor in Women, Family and Community, Professor, Department of Human Development and Family Studies, and, Provost, *University of Wisconsin-Madison*
    - ***Outstanding Engagement Award***  
Awardee: **Marlene S. Stum**, Professor and Extension Specialist, Department of Family and Social Science, College of Education and Human Development, *University of Minnesota*
    - ***Ellen Swallow Richards Public Service Award***  
Awardee: **The Honorable Catherine E. Woteki**, former Chief Scientist and Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics, *U. S. Department of Agriculture*
    - ***Lifetime Achievement Award***  
Awardee: **Pamela J. White**, Dean Emerita, College of Human Sciences, *Iowa State University*
  - Communicated with the BoHS award winners about their selection and provided information about their participation in the BoHS portion of the 130<sup>th</sup> APLU Annual Meeting being held in Washington, DC on November 12-14, 2017
    - Secured the plaques and financial awards for these winners
  - Provided and processed ballots for the BoHS election of the Class of 2020 – **John B. Buckwalter**, *Kansas State University*; **Carolyn Dunn**, *North Carolina State University*; and, **Laura E. Stephenson**, *University of Tennessee, Knoxville*
  - Assisted in planning the BoHS program that is part of the APLU Annual Meeting
  - Distributed reminder notices on the BoHS memberships that have not been renewed

- Explored avenues to increase the membership of the BoHS
- Contacted the deans and presidents/chancellors of institutions that have indicated their membership withdrawal from the BoHS
- Collaborated with the leaders of the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA)/U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA); the Council of Administrators of Family and Consumer Sciences (CAFCS); the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (AAFCS); FCS Alliance; Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA); and, other partners

Submitted by:



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