Southern APS Meeting
March 8, 2018
Washington, DC

Attendance:
Jean Bertrand  Clemson University
Cynda Clary  Oklahoma State University
Kim Dooley  Texas A&M University
David Fernandez  University of Arkansas – Pine Bluff
William Hayslet  Tennessee State University
Lona Robertson  University of Arkansas - Fayetteville
John Stier  University of Tennessee
Susan Sumner  Virginia Tech
Elaine Turner  University of Florida
Amy Wright  Auburn University
Allen Wysocki  University of Florida

1. Call to order: Lona Robertson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda: the agenda was presented and approved.

3. Approval of the minutes of the November 2017 meeting: minutes were distributed and approved.

4. Potential topics for 2019 Southern Region Mini Land-Grant Sessions

   The Southern Region mini-land-grant meeting is scheduled for March 18-21, 2019 in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. Tuesday, March 19, will be for separate meetings (Academic Programs, Experiment Station, Extension Service) and a welcome session; March 20 will be for joint sessions. Ideas presented for joint topics were
   • Enhancing public-private partnerships
   • Communicating impact
   • Task force on rural prosperity
   • Institutional partnerships
   • Avoiding redundancy
   There was support for further joint sessions on diversity and inclusion. Lona will provide feedback to Eric Young.

5. Staff Development Workshop

   Discussion of a webinar/Zoom call for staff development. Kim Dooley (TAMU) proposed a session on Intrusive Advising/Student Success Collaborative. Lona will send out a Doodle poll for possible dates.
Further discussion on the APS Staff Development Workshop – question raised about possible interface with NAADA conference as many college staff attend this conference. Also some discussion about a location, and possible Southern Region host for 2019. The appropriate time of year varies depending on type of staff to engage. It was suggested that information about the organizational structure of each college’s academic programs office would be helpful (e.g., title and description of duties of staff; responsibility for undergraduate and/or graduate students and programs; size of institution; etc.). Lona will start a document and circulate for each institution to complete.

6. Other Business

Discussion topics from Wendy Fink

- Programming for APLU-APS meeting:
  - Follow-up from Gen Z workshop; read book; book club
  - Environmental resilience – service learning/experiential opportunity to see how institutions recovered from Hurricane Katrina
  - Food insecurity on campus
- Mini-sabbatical for APS members
  - Supportive of concept
  - Need a simple application
  - Requirement to build a session and/or deliverable for APS

Fall 2018 Southern Region APS/Experiment Station Meeting

- Support – meetings have been useful in the past; some concern about timing given scheduled mini-land-grant meeting in March 2019
- Lona will touch base with Eric Young

7. Adjourn: 4:22 p.m.