AGENDA
BUDGET AND ADVOCACY COMMITTEE
BOARD ON AGRICULTURE ASSEMBLY

Conference Call
October 20, 2015

CALL IN INSTRUCTIONS
Number: 1-800-264-8432
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AGENDA

I. Call to Order (Grant)
II. Roll Call (Gouge)
III. Appropriations Update (Cornerstone)
IV. Process for advancing new initiatives (Grant)
V. APLU Annual Meeting planning
VI. Other Business
Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairman Alan Grant called the meeting to order and asked Eddie Gouge to call the roll. The following participated in the conference call:

Alan L. Grant (Chair), Virginia Tech
Orlando F. McMeans (Advocacy Chair), West Virginia State University
Richard M. Klemme (CES), University of Wisconsin-Madison-Extension
Gary A. Thompson (ESS), The Pennsylvania State University
Thomas Gill (IAS), University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Albert E. Essel (1890 Extension), Lincoln University
Moses T. K. Kairo (1890 Research), University of Maryland Eastern Shore
Lee S. Yudin (Insular/ Territories), University of Guam;
Christine M. Ladisch (BoHS), Purdue University
James P. Thompson (Veterinary Medicine), University of Tennessee
Gregory A. Bohach (CLP), Mississippi State University
Steven A. Slack (BAAPBD), The Ohio State University
Gina Banks Daly (CGA), University of California, Berkeley
Eddie G. Gouge, APLU
Jane Schuchardt, APLU
Wendy Fink, APLU
Carolyn B. Brooks, Association of Research Directors (1890)
L. Washington Lyons, 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
Hunt Shipman, Cornerstone Government Affairs
Jim Richards, Cornerstone Government Affairs
Vernie Hubert, Cornerstone Government Affairs
Jeremy Witte, Cornerstone Government Affairs
Alice J. Gómez, Cornerstone Government Affairs

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

John C. Stier (APS), University of Tennessee, Knoxville; J. Mark Erbaugh (IAS), The Ohio State University; Anson Elliott (Non-Land-Grants/NARRU), Missouri State University; James J. Bittner (CARET), New York; Timothy L. White (Forestry) University of Florida; Jay T. Akridge (BAAPBD), Purdue University; Ian L. Maw, APLU; Craig Lindwarm, APLU; Wendy Fink, APLU; and, Andrew Maccabe (Veterinary Medicine), Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges.

The following guest participated in the conference call: Robin Shepard, North Central Cooperative Extension Association.
**Agenda**

A motion to adopt the agenda was approved.

**Minutes**

The minutes, as distributed, from the conference call on September 15, 2015 were approved.

**Appropriations Update**

Cornerstone Government Affairs reported that:

- it appears we are still looking at a continuing resolution through December 11, 2015
- everyone is waiting on the House Republicans to elect a Speaker and Congressman Ryan is expected to make a decision within the next 24 hours
- the House is working on a debt ceiling agreement and Congressman Boehner is trying to get an agreement on the Budget Control Act for Fiscal Years 2016 and 2017 with some relief for discretionary spending

**Budget Process for New Initiatives**

ECOP and ESCOP brought forth a document that is attached on the website, and a motion to approve the document and forward it to the BAA Policy Board of Directors was approved.

**Other Business**

The BAC will meet at 11:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 14, 2015 in conjunction with the APLU Annual Meeting. One topic to be covered will be the ramping up of advocacy efforts on behalf of the BAC.

**Adjourn**

Chairman Grant adjourned the meeting at 4:27 p.m. (EDT).