AGENDA

CONFERENCE CALL

BUDGET AND ADVOCACY COMMITTEE.
BOARD ON AGRICULTURE ASSEMBLY

4:00 P.M. (EDT)

JUNE 19, 2018

CALL IN INSTRUCTIONS

Number: 1-800-264-8432

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CALL IN INSTRUCTIONS

I. Call to Order (Patterson)
II. Roll Call (Gouge)
III. Approval of Minutes (Patterson)
IV. Farm Bill Update (Cornerstone)
V. Appropriations Update (Cornerstone)
VI. Other Business
Call to Order and Roll Call

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
Robert T. (Tom) Jones, (CARET), Arizona
Gregory A. Bohach (CLP), Mississippi State University
Gary A. Thompson (BAAPBD), The Pennsylvania State University
Orlando F. McMeans (BAAPBD), West Virginia State University
Ian L. Maw, APLU
Eddie G. Gouge, APLU
Richard M. Klemme, APLU
Wendy Fink, APLU
Alton Thompson, Association of Research Directors (1890)
H. Michael Harrington, Western Association of Agricultural Experiment Station Directors
Marianne Klein, APLU/Board on Human Sciences
Kevin Cain (Veterinary Medicine), Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges
Jim Richards, Cornerstone Government Affairs
Vernie Hubert, Cornerstone Government Affairs
Maggie Earle, Cornerstone Government Affairs
Alice Gómez, Cornerstone Government Affairs.

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

Craig A. Beyrouty (Chair), University of Maryland, College Park; David S. Buchanan (APS), North Dakota State University; J. Ernest Minton (ESS), Kansas State University; J. Mark Erbaugh (IAS), The Ohio 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; Gabrielle Serra (CGA), Oregon State University; Hanan Saab, APLU; Albert E. Essel, Association of Extension Administrators (1890); Andrew T. Maccabe (Veterinary Medicine), Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges; and, Hunt Shipman, Cornerstone Government Affairs.

Minutes

The minutes from the May 15, 2018 conference call were approved as distributed.

Farm Bill Update

Cornerstone Government Affairs reported the following:
• the House of Representatives is looking to vote on the bill on Thursday evening or Friday pending a vote on the immigration
• the Senate has reported their bill and filed the text 30 minutes ago; the cloture clock has begun and the Senate should begin debate on their bill next week; it should not be an extended debate
• there is a strong possibility that Senator Brown will resurrect the Central State University amendment, so the 1890s will need to contact their Senators (particularly the Democratic members) since this is a challenge to the entire land-grant system
• the check-off issue may come up in the Senate as well but will exempt institutions that do research and education
• there is a different dynamic in the Senate than was seen in the House
• the House needs to pass their bill or go home

Fiscal Year 2019 Appropriations Update

Cornerstone Government Affairs reported the following:

• nineteen (19) appropriations bill have been reported out of the Committee
• it is doubtful that the agricultural appropriations bill will be considered on the floor as a stand-alone bill
• additional action on agricultural appropriations is expected in July
• the Fiscal Year 2019 appropriations process has a long way to go

Other Business

There was some discussion about ways to improve the land-grant system’s response to the “Calls to Action” and some included:

• finding a way to free up CARET delegates to act a bit independent of their institutions
• the need for better communication between the Administrative Heads Section (AHS) and CARET
• communication with the AHS Executive Committee

Adjourn

Advocacy Committee Chairman Patterson adjourned the BAC meeting at 4:45 p.m. (EDT).