

**2013 Joint COPs Agenda**  
Hilton Garden Inn – Manhattan  
410 South 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Manhattan, KS 66502

**Monday, July 22, 2013**

- 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Registration
- 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Joint Leadership Dinner – Policy Board of Directors and Chairs of the BAC, CLP, AHS, ECOP, ESCOP, ACOP, ICOP and supporting Executive Directors and Administrators *(By)*
- Presiding: Bruce A. McPheron, Vice President for Agricultural Administration and Dean, College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences, *The Ohio State University*

**Tuesday, July 23, 2013**

- 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Registration
- 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. BAA Budget and Advocacy Committee Breakfast
- 8:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. BAA Budget and Advocacy Committee Meeting  
Chair: Francis Galey, Dean, College of Agriculture & Natural Resources, *University of Wyoming*
- 10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. *Break*
- 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. BAA Policy Board of Directors' Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. BAA Policy Board of Directors' Meeting  
Chair: Bruce A. McPheron, Chair  
Vice President for Agricultural Administration and Dean, College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences, *The Ohio State University*
- 3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. *Break*
- 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. BAA Policy Board of Directors (continued)
- 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. *Reception*  
Flint Hills Discovery Center

**Wednesday, July 24, 2013**

- 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Registration
- 6:30 a.m. – 7:45 a.m. Breakfast
- 8:00 a.m. - Noon Joint COPs Program Session  
Moderator: Jimmy Henning, ECOP Chair-Elect, Associate Dean for Extension & Director of the Cooperative Extension Service, *University of Kentucky*

8:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. Kansas Welcome  
Daryl D. Buchholz, Associate Director, Extension and Applied Research,  
*Kansas State University*

April A. Mason, Provost and Senior Vice President,  
*Kansas State University*

8:15 a.m. – 10:00 am. **Research, Extension and Teaching:  
Innovative Mission Collaboration and Integration**

Program Showcase  
Tri-State Research and Extension Program (Ohio, Michigan, Indiana)  
Steven A. Slack, Associate Vice President for Agriculture  
Administration and Director, Ohio Agriculture Research and  
Development Center, *The Ohio State University*

Louisiana Super Plants – A University-tested, State-based Promotion Program  
Regina P. Bracy, Resident Coordinator, Hammond Research Station,  
*Louisiana State University AgCenter*

Coastal and Environmental Fellows Program  
Anne I. Veeger, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, College of  
Environment and Life Sciences, *University of Rhode Island*

10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. *Break*

10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. **USDA-NIFA Paving the Road for Effective Integration**  
Sonny Ramaswamy, Director (invited)

11:15 a.m. – Noon **Updates**

- **BAA Policy Board of Directors** – Bruce A. McPherson, Vice President  
of Agricultural Administration and Dean, College of Food, Agricultural,  
and Environmental Sciences, *The Ohio State University*
- **BAA Budget & Advocacy Committee with Cornerstone Government  
Affairs** - Francis Galey, Dean, College of Agriculture & Natural  
Resources, *University of Wyoming*
- **Committee on Legislation & Policy with Cornerstone Government  
Affairs** – Wendy Wintersteen, Dean, College of Agriculture & Life  
Sciences, *Iowa State University*

12:00 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. Lunch  
Advocating for Agriculture through Media  
Greg Peterson, Peterson Brothers Farm, Saline County, KS

*I'm farming and I am  
showing it*

1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. **Joint COPs Section Meetings**  
Administrative Heads Section Executive Committee  
Mark Hussey, Vice Chancellor and Dean, Agriculture and Life Sciences  
*The Texas A&M University System*

Academic Programs Committee on Organization and Policy

Nancy Irlbeck, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs,  
*Colorado State University*

Experiment Station Committee on Organization and Policy  
Michael P. Hoffmann, Director, Agriculture Experiment Station,  
*Cornell University*

Extension Committee on Organization and Policy  
Daryl D. Buchholz, Associate Director, Extension and Applied Research,  
*Kansas State University*

International Committee on Organization and Policy  
J. Mark Erbaugh, Assistant Director, International Programs in Agriculture,  
*The Ohio State University*

2:45 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

*Break*

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

ECOP Executive Committee  
ECOP Program Subcommittee  
ECOP Personnel Subcommittee

5:00 p.m.

*Dinner on your Own*

**Thursday, July 25, 2013**

7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.

*Breakfast for all Registrants*

7:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Registration/Information

8:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

**Joint COPs Section Meetings (continued)**

*8:00 - 10:00 -*

*NIFA listening session*  
Administrative Heads Section Executive Committee

*Break*

Academic Programs Committee on Organization and Policy

Experiment Station Committee on Organization and Policy

Extension Committee on Organization and Policy

International Committee on Organization and Policy

11:45 a.m.

*Adjourn*

**PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Jay T. Akridge, Purdue University

Jimmy Henning, Chair, University of Kentucky

Schuyler S. Korban, University of Illinois

Steven A. Slack, The Ohio State University

Anne I. Veeger, University of Rhode Island

Together with Jane Schuchardt and Chrystal Checketts, National ECOP Office

With thanks to Paul Coreil, Louisiana State University, chair, until his retirement March 1, 2013

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## NIFA Infrastructure and Capacity Task Force

*Analyzing efficiency in non-competitive program processes to better serve the customer*

**Co-Chairs: Dionne Toombs & Martin Draper**  
**Champion: Deborah Sheely**

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*What task force is:  
Diversity, Best Place to Work, etc.*

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## Our Task

- Ensure process quality and integrity for all NIFA non-competitive programs;
- Facilitate the consistent application of processes and procedures across NIFA for all non-competitive programs;
- Lead the development of procedural guides, employee handbooks, and other reference materials;
- Recommend procedures for enhanced peer and merit review of non-competitive programs; and
- Identify opportunities to improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of the procedures and management of the agency's non-competitive grants portfolio.

*Standardization*

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## Expected Outcomes

- **Improved visibility** for non-competitive programs and enhanced access to accomplishments attributable to non-competitive program funding
- **Improved process** for administration of non-competitive programs, with optimized procedures for university partners and NIFA staff
- **Improved communication** between NIFA and university partners related to reporting and accountability issues

*Logic Model*

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