

Proposal for Northeast Extension Program Leader Face to Face Planning Session

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Version 1

Expected Outcomes

- Increase the interaction between and among the Northeast Program Leaders including: 4-H, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Family and Consumer Sciences, Community Development
- Develop means by which program leaders can interact across areas of expertise
- Form at least three multi-institutional working groups based on a draft proposal for collaboration
- State participation in planning session and/or in proposals developed is voluntary
- Assess or determine what our potential and capacity are for success
- Consider a means to communicate among and between the chairs of the program leader groups
- Post minutes for each program leader group on NEED website, behind a password
- Identify our shared capacity with the goal of increased efficiencies

Goals

- Where do we want to be in ten years and how do we want to look as a system?
- Convert the multi-institutional working groups into a proposal for a NERA/NEED joint planning grant
- Build and/or strengthen cross-disciplinary discussion and focus
- Build partnerships to engage teaching and research into any proposals developed
- Prepare for funding opportunities that might arise and to be ahead of the issue
- Identify technology needs that might be used across the region such as a on-line registration system
- Build strengths in
 - Grant facilitation
 - Developing MOUs across institutions and with the private sector
 - Protocols for CES to work with the private sector
 - Statistician expertise in applied research

Expectation of Directors

- If approved by NEED, to financially support program leaders to participate
- Determine the job description of a program leader and the expectations
- Determine the appropriate balance between private support (fees and grants) and public support

Expectation of Program Leaders

- To fully engage for the entire period of the planning session
- If commit to engagement after the planning session, to follow through

Logistics

- Hold in DC perhaps at APLU so there is no facility use charge or at BWI hotel, or at a University
- Length to be 1.5 days with facilitated discussion
- Plan for Fall time frame to conduct planning session
- Prior to session, each program leader to submit a program analysis of the primary areas in which the state is focused
- In addition to program leaders invite: Stephan Goetz,

Future considerations

- Developing a think tank on ways to generate private dollars

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