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Message from the Chair

Dear Colleagues:

We are making a lot of progress on our two largest initiatives—supporting an ARD Consortium and organizing our 2013 symposium. NIFA national program leaders have agreed to review all five of the consortium proposals that were submitted and they were titled:

- *Dynamic Integrated Systems Approach to Small Farm Production and Profitability* (to be reviewed in the NIFA Institute of Food Production and Sustainability)
- 1890 Multi-State Childhood Obesity Prevention Project (1890 M-COPP) (to be reviewed in the NIFA Institute of Food Safety and Nutrition)
- *Full STEAM Ahead: Approaches to Recruitment and Retention: Recruiting and Retention Strategies for Improving Student Enrollment in STEAM* (to be reviewed in the NIFA Institute of Youth, Family, and Community, where the Education Programs reside)
- *Prevention of Microbial Foodborne Outbreaks* (to be reviewed in the NIFA Institute of Food Safety and Nutrition)
- Regionally-Integrated Sustainable Bioenergy Production: An 1890 Land Grant University Initiative for the Southeast (to be reviewed in the NIFA Institute of Bioenergy, Climate, and Environment)

As promised, these reviews by experts will help guide ARD on its funding decisions and will also be useful as the teams can use such comments to improve their proposals for other funding opportunities.

The 2013 Research Symposium has many of the foundational aspects in place. You can even register at the hotel and submit abstracts. Please go to www.umes.edu/ard/1890Symposium to see where we are and to let us know if the website does not pro-

vide answers to some of your questions.

Final reminder: the summer ARD meeting will be held near Washington, DC. August 7—10th. Please go to the ARD website for hotel information (www.umes.edu/ard).



Sincerely,

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Dyremple Marsh, ARD Chair



Urgent Request from Dr. Edwin Lewis, NPL for 1890 Capacity Building Grants Program.

Please submit to Dr. Lewis, through your Research Directors, your feedback regarding the 2012 CBG RFA. Dr. Lewis will be preparing the 2013 RFA during the summer months and wants to ensure that the CBG Program continues to meet the needs of the 1890 Institutions. He is specifically interested in feedback regarding: 1) the

"Program Need Areas" for Research, Teaching and Extension and 2) any portion of the RFA that needs clarification. He requests that the feedback be sent to him no later than July 13, 2012. As emails are submitted to Dr. Lewis at elewis@nifa.usda.gov, please cc the ARD Executive Director at cbbrooks@umes.edu. It is expected that some input will be easily incorporated into the 2013 RFA. Other ideas may require additional discussion within the 1890 community. The campus' comments should be compiled by the Research Director (or designee) before submission.

Please visit the ARD websitewww.umes.edu/ard

or contact us using cbbrooks@umes.edu

ARD UPDATES



Dr. Brian O. Hemphill - The Tenth President of West Virginia State University



Integrated Forest Products

Research (FPR) Grant

Intent: Wood utilization issues,

value-added products, production

of cross laminated timber from the

Award Range: up to \$420,000

Funding Opportunity# USDA-

No cost share requirements

Contact: Catalino Blanche

cblanche@nifa.usda.gov

Nation's wood supply

Due Date: July 6, 2012

NIFA-SRGP-003808

CFDA# 10.200

On July 1, 2012, Dr. Brian O. Hemphill will officially begin his presidency at West Virginia State University. He succeeds Dr. Hazo W. Carter, Jr. who had admirably served as the WVSU President for twenty-five years. Dr. Hemphill served as Vice President for Student Affairs at Northern Illinois University (NIU) since 2004 and was appointed to lead the university's Enrollment Management division in 2009. He was a tenured associate professor at NIU in the department of Counseling, Adult and Higher Education. He has held numerous leadership roles in national higher education organizations and has published and presented extensively on leadership and crisis management. He is recognized nationally for his holistic approach to education and shared governance. The ARD warmly welcomes Dr. Hemphill to the 1890 Family.

Dr. Muquarrab A. Qureshi Appointed Assistant Director of the NIFA Institute of Youth, Family, and Community

The NIFA Institute of Youth, Family, and Community houses the Division of Community and Education, the Division of Youth and 4-H, and the Division of Family and Consumer Sciences. Effective June 3rd Dr. Qureshi will have leadership for this Institute. Obviously many 1890 University programs are within one of this institute's divisions—for example the Capacity Building Grants program.

Dr. Qureshi had served as a Professor and the Director of the Interdisciplinary Graduate Program of Physiology, Director of the Graduate Program in Poultry Science, and Associate Dean of the Graduate School at North Carolina State University. Most recently he was serving as the Director of the Division of Animal Systems within NIFA's Institute of Food Production and Sustainability. His DVM and M.Sc degrees are from Pakistan and his Ph.D. from Cornell.

New RFAs

Childhood Obesity Prevention

Intent: Multi-function integrated research, education, and/or Extension projects (including FASE) to reduce prevalence of obesity (2-19 year olds)

Due Date: June 5, 2012

Award Range: up to \$1 Million

Cost Share: see RFA

Funding Opportunity # USDA-NIFA-AFRI-003742

CFDA# 10.310

Contact: Jane M. Claryjclary@nifa.usda.gov

National Integrated Water Quality Program (NIWQP)

Intent: Practices that improve the quality of surface and groundwater resources in watersheds

Due Date: June 28, 2012

Award Range: up to \$75,000

Cost Share: See RFA

Funding Opportunity # USDA-NIFA-ICGP-003789

CFDA# 10.303 Integrated Programs

Contact: Michael O'Neill moneill@nifa.usda.gov