

MINUTES
University of Kentucky
College of Agriculture
StaffLINKS Committee Meeting
May 19, 2009

Attendance:

Chair Steve McMurry (Regulatory Services)

Co-Chair Chuck Corby (Ag Econ)

Katie Beeles (Animal & Food Science)

Judi Burgess (KTRDC)

Sara Carter (Plant & Soil Science)

Jan Childers (HES)

Matt Hash (Livestock Diagnostic Center)

Mara McClellan-Williams (Biosystems & Ag Engineering)

Kym Pope (County Extension Programs)

Leslie Queary (Forestry), Dave Stalion (Ag Communications),

Absent:

Bernadette Amsden (Plant Pathology)

Joe Collins (Entomology)

Shari Dutton (Horticulture & Landscape Architecture)

Judy Hart (Management Operations)

Dave Stalion (Ag Communications)

Minutes:

Chair Steve McMurry called the meeting to order at 11:48 PM on Tuesday, May 19, 2009. There was a quorum so the meeting was officially called to order.

First order of business was approval of previous StaffLINKS Minutes from February 17, 2009. The motion to approve was made by Chuck Corby and seconded by Leslie Queary.

The official date for the College of Ag & HES Ag Roundup and Staff Appreciation Day has been scheduled for Wednesday October 21, 2009. The committee discussed with the later date the possibility of unfavorable weather.

It was announced that Share Fair was very popular but there was a bit of concern about space allocation as the vendors would be located in Gorham Hall (E.S. Goodbarn) instead of under the tents as in the past. The deadline for booth registration is June 12th this year. There was some speculation that Share Fair

would be squeezed into the Weldon Suites for the event but nothing was confirmed. Further information would be provided at the next meeting.

The candidates for a speaker for Staff Appreciation day were discussed and three names were put into the pool for consideration: Carl Hurley, Steve Isaacs and Roger Bingham. There was a hope and it is totally unconfirmed that John Callipari might be the guest speaker for Staff Appreciation Day, and if so then the speaker we choose to engage would have to be made aware that this could occur.

There was some debate on pursuing the continuation of Brown Bag Lunches as it was reported that attendance was low. However, the Office of Wellness reported good attendance so the committee decided on two Work-life seminars; *UK Flexible Work Arrangement* and *Financial Fitness*.

It was decided at the last meeting that a comment button be added to the website with a link to the chair and co chairs email. This action was implemented but our Chair reported that no emails had arrived and that the email would be redirected to Chuck Corby as succeeding chair.

The meeting dismissed at 12:37 pm.

Next meeting will be held August 18, 2009 at 11:30 in the Weldon Suite of the E.S. Goodbarn.

Respectfully submitted by Judi Burgess, secretary.