NERA

Northeastern Regional Association of State Agricultural Experiment Station Directors

Raleigh, North Carolina Business Meeting, September 23, 2024

Agenda (v3)

Monday, September 23, Governor's II Room

8:00 am	Gathering of attendees/Call to order – Anton Bekkerman NERA Chair
8:05 pm – 8:15 am	 Meeting administration – Anton Bekkerman Introductions Announcements and nominations Agenda modification (Additions/Deletions) and Approval Approval of NERA Business Meeting minutes (June 5, 2024)
8:15 pm – 9:00 am	Reporting that requires NERA decisions: Multistate Activities Committee – MAC Representative • Final approval of peer reviewed, multistate proposals • Mid-term reviews • Administrative Advisor assignments
9:00 am – 9:30 am	Reporting that requires NERA decisions: Evaluation of the Office of the Executive Director (OED) – Anton Bekkerman OED Accomplishments – Rick Rhodes and David Leibovitz
9:30 am – 9:45 am	Discussion: Proposal for "Professional development for research partnership" – Deborah Thompson, Director of Research Partnerships, NCSU
9:45 am – 10:15 am	Overview: Station Profile: University of Massachusetts – Lynne McLandsborough
10:15 am – 10:30 am	Break
10:30 am – 10:45 am	Work Session: Preparing for the agInnovation Business Meeting, what do you need to know – Rick Rhodes
10:45 am – 11:05 am	Discussion: A conversation with Kevin Kephart, Deputy Director, Institute of Bioenergy, Climate, and Environment, NIFA and Rubella Goswami, Deputy Director, Institute of Youth Family and Community, NIFA

11:05 am – 11:35 am	Discussion NERA Chair's Perspective – Anton Bekkerman
11:35 am – 11:50 am	Work Session Capacity Funds Best Practices, next steps – Rick Rhodes
11:50 am – 12:00 pm	Meeting Summary, Action Steps, Passing of the Gavel – Anton Bekkerman
12:00 pm	Adjourn

Upcoming meetings:

APLU Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, November 10-12, 2024
NERA Winter Business Meeting (Zoom), December 10, 2025, 8:00 am – 10:00 am ET CARET/AHS, Washington, DC, February 23-26, 2025
NERA Spring Meeting (in person), Clarksville, MD, March 24-26, 2025
NEED/NERA Joint Summer Meeting, TBD, New Jersey