



I feel your pain. A number of you have been travelling, final exams may be approaching or nearly done, students are leaving campus by the droves, the spring semester is truly wound down and you are all preparing for the summer.

I get it... This is a lean newsletter with a couple of repeats from two weeks ago.

Action items:

- Please remind your faculty and staff to consider submitting a NEED/NERA Planning grant. The RFP is on the NERA website (see http://media.wix.com/ugd/895599_98e99d0c48614eb2aa70fa010fc00074.pdf)
- The 2020 National Extension and Research Administrative Officers' Conference (NERAOC) will be hosted in the Northeast Region. We're seeking a volunteer institution or partner institutions to host this meeting of 500 attendees. It's never too early to decide, and we'll discuss the Northeast hosting this summer in West Virginia. Please contact [Dave Leibovitz](#) if you're interested.

Reminders:

- ESCOP's Diversity Catalyst Committee is seeking a NERA replacement for Tim Phipps. We're seeking a volunteer, please apprise. Last call...

Informational items:

- The APLU and the Challenge of Change Commission is hosting a meeting in Washington, DC on May 16th titled 2017 Challenge of Change: Harnessing University Discovery, Engagement, and Learning to Achieve Food and Nutrition Security. To register, go to <http://www.cvent.com/events/2017-challenge-of-change-harnessing-university-discovery-engagement-and-learning-to-achieve-food-and/event-summary-dfcf0d0411f345a1acc491c782c4195c.aspx>.
- This is a (hold the date) notice: SARE is hosting a conference on April 3-5, 2018 dedicated to "Our Farms, Our Future Conference: The Next 30 Years of Sustainable Agriculture" in St. Louis, MO. Watch www.sare.org/our-farms-our-future for more details.
- Washington State University is seeking to hire an Assistant or Associate Professor in female reproductive physiology to join the Functional Genomics Initiative (FGI) group by July 2017. Check out the notice on the NERA website (<http://www.nerasaes.org/employment-opportunities>).
- The University of the Virgin Islands is hiring a Research Specialist II to conduct

research on livestock (hair sheep and beef cattle) production in a tropical environment. If you have a student with a MS degree in Animal Sciences, have them take a look at the job announcement (<https://careers.uvi.edu/postings/819>).

- The University of Maine Cooperative Extension invites applications for a full-time, fiscal-year 4-H Youth Development Professional to begin work August 1, 2017. Check out the notice on the NERA website (<http://www.nerasaes.org/employment-opportunities>).
- Washington State University (WSU) seeks an Assistant Professor of Entomology. Check out the notice on the NERA website (<http://www.nerasaes.org/employment-opportunities>).



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