Minutes for SEAC Meeting on February 20, 2017

Members present: Jodie Bartelson-Chair (SE Area), Rich Barr (Metro), Cindy Bervert (Metro), Brad Carter (SE Area), Carmen Crandall (NE Area), Greg Davis (SE Area), Diana Gauntt (NE Area), Jerry Hall (SE Area), Sandy Jacquot (Metro), Dan Johnson (NW Area), Larry Justice (Metro), Lora Kilgore-Norquest (SW Area), Nathan Leiker (NW Area), Lisa Long (NE Area), Jim McClung (SE Area), Lisa Pfannenstiel-Garrison (Metro), Richard Poland (SW Area), Gary Snyder (SW Area), Dave Twiner (SW Area), and Cody Woelk (NW Area). Members absent were Marvin Beesley and Brandon Vering.


Minutes from previous meeting were approved. Treasurer’s report was approved.

Discussion of partnership meetings, topics included in discussion consisted of increasing attendance, possibly making meetings available via technology: Webinars/videos possibility of reusability; and possibly moving meeting date to a Saturday.

Review and Update by Dr. Floros –

- Updated on Leadership personnel
  - new hires
  - retirements
- Leadership is needed within the University to keep the University strong from within
- It keeps getting harder and harder to keep staff
  - industry
  - other universities
- Trying to get funding levels up to ’08-’09 levels, or at least hold funding steady
- Infrastructure
  - Have not been able to upgrade anything
  - state help is needed to build and renovate several buildings
- Having others explain extension has a deeper meaning
- University President needs pushed to Ag
  - Keep the budget whole
  - Help with infrastructure
  - More than half of the extension budget goes directly to the county
- Talent retention within the college of ag, problems with 85/210, 52 were retained
- CARET program is needing members

Break for Lunch

- June 9, in Manhattan on campus, reception for Daryl’s retirement
- Excellence in Board Leadership Assessment participation is up from 59% to 70%
- 4-H fee is still up in the air

Sue Peterson gave general overview

- Lots of new members in Legislature
- Kansas is $327 million in the red
- With the new members comes a new refreshing attitude
- K-State is a top 5 university with bottom 5 university infrastructure

Next meeting is August 24-25 in Garden City. Meeting adjourned.