

Now that NERA's fiscal year has rolled over, we'll be sending out notices for annual NERA assessments. While we work closely with your business officers, please watch for those to ensure that the notice doesn't slip through the cracks.

Now is a good time for summer house-keeping. If you have comments, concerns, or issues that you'd like to raise, we're listening!

"Fight for the things that you care about, but do it in a way that will lead others to join you." – Ruth Bader Ginsburg (2015) during an annual celebration of the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study, Harvard University, <u>Radcliffe Day 2015</u>.

Action items:

• This afternoon we sent a survey seeking your reflections on the Joint Summer Meeting. If you attended, we would be very appreciative if you submitted a survey response. If you didn't see the request, you can share your meeting reflections <u>here</u>.

• The Joint COPS Meeting will be held next week, July 19-22. Here are links to <u>registration</u> and to the <u>agenda</u>. If you won't be joining the meeting but have critical issues, concerns, or comments that you'd like us to share with ESCOP, please send them to <u>Rick</u>.

• As NIFA builds out its new reporting system, colleagues in the Western region have identified a number of issues associated with the new financial module. We've communicated those issues to Northeast representatives who have participated in conversations with NIFA on financial reporting. If you or your business officers have concerns about the new financial reporting, please share those with <u>us</u>.

• Do you have other issues or items that you'd like to share with your NERA colleagues or with Experiment Station colleagues across the country? Now is a good time to identify those and share with <u>us</u>.

Reminders/Updates:

• *Ongoing*: We continue to seek pictures that typify research activities on your campus. Please send your photos to <u>David</u> and we'll run those on the scrolling banner on the NERA website.

• **Mark your calendar**. The next NERA quarterly meeting will be held face-to-face on Wednesday, September 28 from 8:00 AM until 2:30 PM. Our regional meeting is in conjunction with the 2022 Joint ESS/CES-NEDA Meeting at the Marriott Baltimore Waterfront in Baltimore, Maryland on September 25-28.

Informational items:

• Tarleton State is seeking an <u>Associate or Full Professor in Animal Sciences</u> to build a PhD program at the institution. Nominees can be referred <u>here</u>.

 Montana State University College of Agriculture is seeking an Assistant Dean for Student Success and Outreach. <u>Click here</u> to view more information and to apply.

• *Again*: The University of Connecticut is seeking applicants for the position of <u>Associate Dean for</u> <u>Extension</u>. The application period closes on August 24, 2022.

• *Again*: Long-time North Central Executive Director Jeff Jacobsen will be retiring at the end of the calendar year. The region is currently seeking Jeff's replacement. NCRA Chair, Hector Santiago-Anadón is heading the search. Information about the position and the application portal can be found on the University of Nebraska employment website: <u>Executive Director - North Central Regional Association of Agricultural Experiment Station Directors, position F_220091</u>.



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