

Administrative Council
for
Extension and Experiment Station Research Meeting

Friday, December 1, 2023
1:30-3:00 p.m.

Participants: Brennan Shepard, Dan Sui, Alan Grant, Cyril Clarke, Mallory Miller, Amy Sebring, Steve Klieber, Jeff Earley, Mary Burrows, Dan Givens, Lauren Augustine, Paul Winistorfer, Mike Gutter, Ken Miller

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions (Cyril Clarke)

2. Discussion Items

a.) Approval of Meeting Minutes (Mallory Miller)

The November meeting minutes were distributed electronically with the agenda. The council reviewed and approved the November minutes.

b.) AAALAC Accreditation Across University (Dan Givens)

The council discussed extending AAALAC accreditation to all animal handling facilities. The council agreed that the university needs to take steps to extent AAALAC accreditation university-wide. Dan Sui will proceed in consultation with the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences in next steps.

3. Unit Updates

a.) Virginia Cooperative Extension

Mike Gutter, director of VCE, shared the ongoing stakeholder engagement work of VCE.

Extension agents are thinking through innovation to meet local needs. Mike will share talking points with the council.

b.) Agricultural Experiment Station

Mary Burrows, director of Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station, discussed the VT Coastal Collaborator with Eastern Shore and Seafood ARECs.

Mary provided an update on the Delmarva Land Grant Institution Cooperative Seed Grant Program.

c.) Deans

Alan Grant, dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, shared that the university will be well represented at the Virginia Agribusiness Council annual legislature appreciation banquet.

The college hired an assistant director of business development to build partnerships. This is a joint position with LINK.

The Provost shared that the search for a new dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences is underway.

Paul Winistorfer, dean of the College of Natural Resources and Environment, shared that the college is ahead of last year in sponsored research expenditures and is continuing a positive trend.

Dan Givens, dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine, shared that the ribbon-cutting for the Jane and Stephen Hale Equine Performance Evaluation Center in Leesburg, Virginia will be on December 12th.

Dan provided an update on VDAC's lab diagnostic services.

Dan provided an update on the college's enrollment and partnership with the University of Maryland.

d.) Budget and Finance

Tim Hodge, associate vice president for budgeting and financial planning, provided an update on the state budget projections.

e.) OVPRI

Dan Sui, vice president for research and innovation, discussed the research expenditure growth at the university.