



2012 ESS/SAES/ARD Meeting and Workshop
Sheraton Portsmouth Harborside Hotel and Conference Center
Portsmouth, New Hampshire 03801

Final Agenda

Monday, September 24, 2012 – See room locations below	
1:00 PM	Registration - Lobby
3:00 – 6:00 PM	Regional Meetings • ARD – Thaxter Room • NCRA – Warner Room • NERA – Gardner Room • SAAESD – Harbor's Edge Room • WAAESD – Lear Room
6:30 – 8:30 PM	Opening Reception
Tuesday, September 25, 2012 – Grand Ballroom	
6:30 – 7:45 AM	Breakfast and Registration - Lobby
7:45 – 8:00 AM	Welcome – Grand Ballroom • Jon Wraith, Dean, College of Life Sciences and Agriculture and Director, NH Agricultural Experiment Station, University of New Hampshire • Mike Hoffmann, Director, Cornell University Agricultural Experiment Station and ESCOP Chair-Elect
8:00 – 10:00 AM	The Agricultural and Food System in the Northeast • Lorraine Merrill, Commissioner, New Hampshire Department of Agriculture, Markets and Food • Stephan Goetz, Director, Northeast Regional Center for Rural Development • Chyi-lyi (Kathleen) Liang, Professor, Department of Community Development and Applied Economics, University of Vermont • Tim Griffin, Director, Agriculture Food and Environment Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy, Tufts University
10:00 – 10:30 AM	Break
10:30 – 12:00 PM	ESS Business Meeting – Grand Ballroom
12:00 – 1:30 PM	Luncheon
1:30 – 3:00 PM	ESS Business Meeting (continued)
3:00 – 3:30 PM	Break
3:30 – 5:00 PM	Discussion Session I: Land grant in a rapidly changing world. Is a new model needed? (Mike Hoffmann and Dan Rossi) • Mike Hoffmann, Director, Cornell University Agricultural Experiment Station • Chester Warzynski, Executive Director, Office of Organization Development, Georgia Institute of Technology
5:30 – 8:30 PM	Scenic Sunset Dinner Cruise along the Piscataqua River through the historic port of Portsmouth and Foster's Downeast Clambake – Boarding at 5:30 PM from the Shoals Steamship Company at 315 Market Street (across the street from the Sheraton) and leaving dock at 6:00 PM Return to Dock at 8:30 PM

Wednesday, September 26, 2012 – Grand Ballroom	
6:30 – 8:00 AM	Breakfast
8:00 – 10:00 AM	Emotional Intelligence Workshop • Arlen Leholm, NCRA Exec. Director and Carolyn Brooks, ARD Exec. Director This workshop will explore the role emotional intelligence plays in the success of university administrators. Arlen Leholm and Carolyn Brooks will lead the group through a process that looks at what emotional intelligence is, why it is important, and how we can increase our skills in emotional intelligence for advanced performance. The process will be rich with examples and will make use of film clips with both group-of-the-whole and subgroup approaches and discussions.
10:00 – 10:30 AM	Break
10:30 – 12:00 PM	Discussion Session 2: Agrobiosecurity and Food Security (Mike Harrington) • William So, Program Specialist, FBI • Richard L. Engel, Director - Environment and Natural Resources Program Strategic Futures Group, National Intelligence Council The goal for this session is to raise the profile of the challenges, man-made and natural, facing our food system (nationally, globally and the interconnections) from the perspective of national security. Dr. William So, from the FBI, will discuss agro-biosecurity issues. Major General Richard Engel, from the National Intelligence Council, will discuss food security as it relates to national security. It is anticipated that these presentations will stimulate a discussion of new opportunities and potential partners for Experiment Station research.
12:00 – 1:30 PM	Lunch
1:30 – 3:00 PM	Best Practices Session 1: Future of Animal Research Programs (Eric Young) • Bret Hess (WY), Cameron Faustman (CT), Bill Brown (TN) This will be a “Best Practices” session on maintaining and enhancing animal production research programs at land grant universities. Specific topics may include dual purpose facilities, multi-institutional facilities/programs/faculty, industry support, funding high-cost facilities, utilizing private facilities, etc. The session will begin with a short video produced by students at UC Davis depicting the significant advances made in animal agriculture since 1950, due in large part to university research, education, and extension programs. The three presenters will then briefly discuss their experiences with maintaining and enhancing animal production research programs at their institution and thoughts for the future. The remaining time will be open discussion and sharing experiences related to animal production research programs.
3:00 – 3:30 PM	Break
3:30 – 5:00 PM	Best Practices Session 2: Small Farms Viability (Carolyn Brooks) • Ralph Noble (NCAT), Walter Hill (Tuskegee), KB Paul (Lincoln Univ.) The ultimate goal of 1890 programs for small and limited resource farmers is to improve their income and quality of life while assuring environmental sustainability. The presenters will give examples of several focus areas including: helping with local economic output through training in computer technology, cooperative organization, marketing, biosecurity and emergency preparedness; livestock production program focusing on pasture pork production and small ruminant parasite control; grower schools in conjunction with research trials and demonstration farms; community gardens, youth and families; the Hmong project with a Vietnamese refugee community using high tunnels and exotic vegetable marketing; and a focus on diversification of forest land for annual income through growth of high value crops or livestock among trees.
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Thursday, September 27, 2012 DEPARTURE	