

W5001 Annual Meeting Participants and Minutes

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### Morning of 9/20/2024

- Introductions made by Tom Worth, Director of Research and Economics Branch of ERS
  - o Discussed the current workforce of ERS
    - Mostly new, mostly remote
  - o Very proud and excited about the partnership between ERS and W5001
- Danielle Rhubart
  - o Gave introductions, read from an article in 1893 from the Secretary of Ag
  - o Provided overview of the day, W5001, and our objectives
- Individual introductions
- Collaborative project updates
  - o Shannon Monnat and John Green presented on the plans for the new decadal volume from RSS
    - Overall theme
      - 2020s started with the shock of covid, but there are many others
      - Focused on the shocks and stressors in rural America
      - Rural America is not monolithic
      - Rural-urban are socially integrated
    - 22 chapters, publisher is worried about length
    - Broad and comprehensive
    - Danielle Rhubart
      - Can we add discussion guides for each chapter and put them online
    - Only reason it doesn't get published is if it is too long
  - o Richelle Winkler
    - Net migration estimates by age and race and sex and Hispanic origin
    - The website is now totally updated
      - Hispanic estimates are not on there due to PEB updates
        - o Will be soon
    - Data is now available on AIAN and Asian for the first time
  - o Lori Hunter

- INRPHA is putting together a pre-conference workshop at PAA on aging, health, and climate change
  - Starting a virtual center on climate, aging, and health called CACHE
    - Sharing code, training materials,
    - Boulder, CUNY, University of Washington, Minn Pop, Calijo (?) in Mexico city
- Shannon Monnat
  - INRPHA is an NIA R24 research network
  - First five years were very successful
    - Grant mentoring, seed grants, workshops
  - Was renewed for another five years
  - New PI is Carrie Henning-Smith
  - Old PIs carrying on as co-I's
  - Call is up and due soon
  - Encouraging use of NIA-funded data that has utility for rural research
  - Must focus on the United States
- Jessica Schad
  - Leading NCA6 chapter on rural communities
  - If you know people who would be good to contribute, please nominate
  - John C mentioned Mark Haggerty at Center for American Progress, who did a regional chapter
  - Very long process with lots of reviews and a formal process
  - Domestic focused
- Richelle Winkler
  - Please give us stuff for the website
    - It can be anything,
- Jarron Saint Onge
  - The Kansas Population Center is trying to be a regional center for population research
  - Danielle Rhubarb mentioned something like the Minnesota Health Collective
- David Brown
  - Noted the value of groups like W5001 avoiding people feeling like academics orphans
- Sreedar Upendram
  - Tennessee ability to pay index and indicators of economic health
- Danielle welcomed our guests as we transition into the second portion of the morning
- John Cromartie provided a history of W5001 for everyone
  - Went through Calvin Beale's old boxes to try and find any relevant information
  - Goal is to produce a historical report about the research group
- Danielle, Paige, Gloria, Sreedar and John Green presented on the results from the series of listening sessions
  - Key finding: More attention is needed on rural population characteristics and change
  - How to share resources and how to highlight our extension activities from the network in our reports
  - Smithsonian Rural America at a Crossroads
- Invited Presentations
  - Jessica Crowe – ERS

- Jess Turner – NIFA
- Jason Brown – KC Fed, Regional Research and Policy Function

### **Morning of 9/21/2024**

- Business Meeting attendance
  - Sreedar Upendram
  - Eddy Berry
  - Lori Hunt
  - David Peters
  - Greg Gilpin
  - Edith Marie
  - John Green
  - Eleanor Green
  - Shannon Monnat
  - Eileen Avery
  - Matt Brooks
  - Tom Mueller
  - Mary Nelson Robertson
  - Gloria
  - Matt Foulkes
  - Peter Nelson
  - Jessica Schad
  - Danielle Rhubarb
  - David Brown
  - Shaun Golding
  - Richelle Winkler
  - Tim Slack
  - John Cromartie
  - Elizabeth Dobis
- People shared memories of those who passed and updates on those with health issues
  - David Brown talked about Glenn Fugitt and Dan Lichter
  - John Green shared that Bill Hefferden passed
    - There will be a travel scholarship established for RSS in his honor
- Debrief of the prior day
  - Danielle R
    - We asked them what we should be studying, but it turns out we are studying a lot of what they need
      - Except for maybe what things are ‘working’
  - Lori Hunter
    - It seems like there is a gap on how our stuff is getting out there
  - Shannon
    - Can we better disseminate the research briefs?
  - Lori Hunter
    - Could someone in DC disseminate
  - David Brown
    - PAA can do briefings, but its not ideal
  - David Peters

- Extension networks are really what we should be doing
    - NACDEP network would be great
    - E-extension
  - John Green
    - Part of our strategy going forward should be trying to reach different audiences
  - David Brown
    - You want to cultivate the audience that regularly read your stuff
  - Danielle R
    - What if we add a service component every year where you either sign up to write or review a brief
    - Need to thematically organize the briefs on the website
    - Would be good if they are attached to publications that are already peer reviewed
  - Shannon M
    - You need a champion/someone who will aggressively recruit
  - Tim Slack and Tom
    - Quarterly
  - Danielle R
    - There is a sign up link
    - Quarterly could work, would be good to organize around our themes
  - David Brown
    - Seems like you need marketing
  - Danielle R
    - Exec board will have to make a plan
  - Shaun
    - We have a working list we can use
  - John G
    - SRDC has a commitment to getting stuff out there
  - David P
    - The issue is that extension people don't really care about papers
  - Shannon M
    - Issue briefs are a way to do this, evidence-based op ed
  - Danielle R
    - Base expectations will be that everyone writes one brief or reviews one brief a year
- Business part of the meeting
  - Danielle
    - The meeting is growing
    - We need people to register because we are becoming a larger unit
    - Should invite the directors of the other RDCs
    - Bret Hess and Vicki McCracken are our contacts and working on bank account issues
      - Doesn't totally solve our issues
    - We will eventually need to have funds to pay for our website
    - Provided overview of project outputs
      - Big thing to look out for is our DC event
    - Gave overview of milestones
  - Tim Slack

- Given our groups reach, could we organize something for those not interested in academia to give them exposure to other options
- Lori
  - Seminars on non-academic jobs are always very popular
- Jessica
  - At RSS next year we could do this event as a joint thing
- David B
  - RSS might have money to support this kind of thing via the poprig
- Richelle
  - Federal employees cannot accept money, even for travel
  - Its not a great policy
- Jessica's Report
  - Was going to talk about briefs
  - We are going to come up with other examples and templates about topic briefs and research briefs
  - Assign in classes
- Tom
  - Gave secretary report
  - I will send the email to do the documentation in the google doc
  - You will have two weeks to add your activities
- John Green
  - The report gets reviewed by all the directors of the experiment stations
- Richelle
  - Gave website report
  - If you aren't listed as a member on the website, you can be
  - If you have something worth sharing, please let her know so that she can put it on the website
- Matt Brooks
  - What is the difference between official and unofficial members?
- Richelle
  - Explained the differences between them or not
- Shannon
  - Some schools want you to be an official members
- Danielle – New Business
  - We would like to modify the roles of the exec board
  - Changes
    - Create position of communications chair
    - Tasking the vice-chair with leading the research briefs
    - Changes the chair terms to one year to avoid a four-year term
- Shannon
  - Remove the word working group from the proposal
- David Brown
  - We should create a communications committee
- Richelle
  - Vice chair should be on it
- Tom
  - Need an extension person

- John Green agreed to be on the communications committee
- Danielle
  - Kathryn Curtis
- Jessica
  - There should be a term to the communications chair
  - Should get grad students involved in the committee
- Danielle
  - Three year term for Richelle?
    - Richelle said that is fine
  - Vote for changes – All in favor, none opposed
  - Now we need to do elections
    - Matt Brooks was nominated but is not interested
    - David Peters is willing to do it if no one else is
      - Vote passed unanimously
    - Tom nominated as secretary
      - Tom passed unanimously
  - Eddy Berry and Jessica are the local arrangement people for Salt Lake City
  - Comm committee
    - Edith Marie volunteered
    - Gloria volunteered
    - John Green is willing to be a resource for extension
- Census Update
  - Richelle
    - New directive – SPD15 that will change the race and ethnic categories on all federal survey or agency records or HR forms
      - Ethnicity is no longer separate
      - MENA is a new group
      - ACS is rolling this out in 2026
        - There will be guidance for bridging, but won't be perfect
      - Edith-Marie
        - There are people at UW working on this
    - Congress has not yet passed appropriations
      - Senate appropriations passed a strong resolution for Census
      - House appropriations passed a version that would cut Census Bureau funding
        - Also included...
          - Section 621 – states none of the funds in this act may be used to for involuntary compliance, nor may be used after two voluntary attempts
          - Section 559 – no funds used to allow Census Bureau to include undocumented aliens in apportionment
        - Check out The Census Project to get information on all of this
          - Richelle will send it out

- Danielle reminded people to not use your work email or work title when lobbying or writing a representative
  - Shannon noted that you should use PAA's form letters
- The Census Project is discussing issues within the ACS
- The new RUCC codes are out
- The new typology codes are coming out soon
- The 2030 Census Advisory Committee is up and running, if you have ideas you should reach out to them
- State will be doing their complete count committees soon
  - Can get involved
  - John Green made the case to get involved
- Household pulse survey is transitioning its design to something that will last over time
  - Longitudinal design
- Pop estimates program has been doing things differently
  - This means that the exact methodology has been shifting, which impacts year on year comparisons
  - Every time they release a new vintage they have a new base that comes with it
- Eleanor mentioned that if you have not received a receipt then you have not paid
- The contextual data is being moved and adjusted and we will revisit it next year
- Next year
  - Jessica proposes that our meeting occur on Tuesday before RSS in Park City
    - David Brown wants the flash talks to continue
  - Jessica has some relationships up in Park City and has ideas for spaces
- Year after that?
  - David Peters suggested putting it at RDC locations or ERS or other entities we want to have more of a relationship with
  - Matt suggested just coming back to KC in two years and Jessica said coming back to KC in two years would be a good idea
- Danielle thanked John and Tom for being local contacts
- Danielle thanked John Green and SRDC