# S1087 Meeting Minutes February 28, 2025

Carlsbad, CA

## Call to Order & Introductions

* Meeting called to order at 9:08 AM (PT).
* Attendees:
  + In-Person:
    - Melinda Knuth North Carolina State University (NCSU)
    - Daniel Tregeagle North Carolina State University (NCSU)
    - Charlie Hall Texas A&M University (TAMU)
    - Hayk Khachatryan University of Florida (UF)
    - Alicia Rihn University of Tennessee (UT)
  + Virtual:
    - Cheryl Boyer Kansas State University (KSU)
    - Chengyan Yue University of Minnesota (UMN)
    - Xuan Wei University of Maryland (UMD) Extension, Agricultural & Resource Economics
    - Alan Hodges University of Florida (joined at 9:29 AM PT)
    - Jennifer Gray Horticultural Research Institute (HRI) (joined at 9:52 AM PT)

## Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

* Motion to approve the previous minutes:
  + Proposed by: Charlie Hall
  + Seconded by: Alicia Rihn
  + Outcome: Approved with no changes.

## Administrative Advisor Comments

* The administrative advisor was not present, and no comments were provided.

## Review of Internal Governance Documents

* Melinda Knuth read the Internal Governance document and requested comments.
* Discussion on maintaining a list of active members.
* No changes were made to the document.

## IMPLAN Results Discussion

* Melinda Knuth and Alan Hodges provided an overview of the IMPLAN methodology.
* Discussion of differences between 2018 and 2023 IMPLAN data.

## Multi-State Award Application

* Melinda Knuth submitted an application for Excellence in Research to Tim Rials on February 21, 2025.

## AgInnovation Impact Writing Workshop Application

* Melinda Knuth and Daniel Tregeagle submitted an application for an Impact Writing Workshop on Annual Reporting Statements.
* If selected, the workshop will likely be held alongside the Fall Meeting.

## NIMSS Renewal Submission

* Melinda Knuth submitted the S1087 renewal in November 2024.
* Comments provided by: Charlie Hall, Hayk Khachatryan, Alicia Rihn.
* Decision expected by May 2025.

## HRI Website Hosting Update

* Jennifer Gray is finalizing the S1087 website on HRI's platform.
* Discussion on adding leadership team headshots, bios, and publication lists.

## 50th Anniversary of S1087

* 2025 marks the 50th anniversary of S1087.
* HRI could promote the website launch as part of the celebration.

## Leadership Discussion

* Melinda Knuth and Daniel Tregeagle's terms are ending.
* Motion to extend the current leadership (Melinda Knuth as Chair, Daniel Tregeagle as Secretary) for one more year:
  + Proposed by: Charlie Hall
  + Seconded by: Hayk Khachatryan
  + Outcome: Approved.
* Plan for 2026:
  + Melinda Knuth steps down as Chair.
  + Daniel Tregeagle transitions to Chair.
  + New Secretary to be elected.

## Nomination Committee Formation

* Charlie Hall proposed forming a nominating committee of the last three chairs (Melinda Knuth, Alicia Rihn, Ben Campbell) to present a candidate slate.
* Motion to add a nominating committee to the Internal Governance document:
  + Proposed by: Daniel Tregeagle
  + Seconded by: Charlie Hall
  + Outcome: Draft language to be prepared and voted on in the Fall meeting.
* Self-nominations will be allowed.

## Recruiting New Members

* Strategies for attracting new members:
  + Advertise S1087 at AAEA and ASHS.
  + Personal invitations at meetings.
  + Host a webinar on multi-state groups in collaboration with another multi-state group.

## National Survey Data Update

* Second round of mailings to increase response rates is nearly complete.
* Discussion of comparing first and second survey rounds for consistency.

## Roundtable Discussion of Current Research Projects

* Skipped due to time constraints.
* Members will send 2-3 sentence summaries via email for inclusion in the annual report.

## Fall Meeting Planning

* Chicago proposed as a location (Charlie Hall to arrange tours).
* Melinda Knuth will send a poll with date options.

## Adjournment

* Motion to adjourn the meeting:
  + Proposed by: Alicia Rihn
  + Seconded by: Daniel Tregeagle
  + Outcome: Meeting adjourned at 12:35pm PT.