**Annual Meeting**

**Multistate Project NE1727: Influence of ovary, uterus, and embryo on pregnancy success in ruminants**

**Virtual (Zoom) Meeting**

**August 12-13, 2021**

**Tuesday May 17, 2022**

9:00 Gather

9:05 Group business and meeting plan

9:25 Station report #1 – Daniel Matthew – University of Tennessee

9:50 Station report #2 – Julio Giordano – Cornell University

10:15 Station report #3 – Sarah Moorey - University of Tennessee

10:40 Break

11:00 Station report #4 – Savannah Speckhart – Virginia Tech

11:30 Station report #5 – Alvaro Garcia Guerra - Ohio State University

12:00 Adjourn

1:30 Station report #6 – Milo Wiltbank – University of Wisconsin

1:55 Station report #7 – Shelly Rhoads – Virginia Tech

2:20 Break

2:40 Station report #8 – Rafael Fissore – University of Massachusetts

3:05 Station report #9 – Ron Butler – Cornell University

3:20 Station report #10 – Amanda Patterson – University of Missouri

3:40 Station report #11 – Vimal Selvaraj – Cornell University

4:00 First day summary

**Wednesday May 18, 2022**

9:00 Gather and Recap from Tuesday

9:10 Discussion of 2022 Online Repro Course - all

9:30 Station Report#12 - Cecily Bishop – Oregon State University

9:55 Station Report#13 - Jenifer Wood – University of Nebraska

10:20 Break

10:30 NIFA Update and Report – Mark Mirando and Kamilah Grant

11:30 Administrative Update and discussion of breakout group for future meetings

12:00 Adjourn

**Zoom Link (both days**): <https://virginiatech.zoom.us/j/83525135779?pwd=SDJrY1FDaEg3ZVM4YnowMnBMUE1xZz09>

Passcode: 1727

\*All times are EST\*

Meeting Participants:

Michelle Rhoads

Phil Bridges

Rafael Fissore

Amanda Patterson

Cecily Bishop

Francisco Diaz

Jianbo Yao

Joy Pate

Julio Giordano

Milo Wiltbank

Paul Tsang

Rodolfo Cardoso

Troy Ott

Ron Butler

Soon Hon Cheong

Katie Peterson -grad student

Vimal Selvaraj

Jen Wood

Sarah Moorey

Alvaro Garcia-Guerro

Yi Ren

Joanne Fortune

L. Kirsten Senn

Amanda Patterson

Kamilah Grant -USDA

Fernando Biase

Bob Dailey

Chase Wilson

John Maghee

Mary

Dallas Soffa

Savannah Speckhart

Jessica Keane

India -grad

MacKensie

Jadon Hicks

Becca Cockrum

Abby Maucieri

Adam Beard

Dave Townson

Sarah Carr

Meeting presentations/discussion

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| **Tuesday (17th)** | **Activity** | **Observations/comments** |
| 9:00 AM | Welcome (Michelle Rhoads) | Revised Grant submitted and awaiting  its transit through the NIMSS system |
| 9:10 AM | Station Report | Dan Mathew |
| 9:42 AM | Introductions |  |
| 10:10 AM | Station Report | Julio Giordano |
| 10:40 AM | Station Report | Sarah Moorey |
| 11:20 AM | Station Report | Savannah Speckhart (Ealy) |
| 11:50 AM | Station Report | Alvaro Garcia-Guerra |
| 1:30 PM | Station Report | Milo Wiltbank |
| 2:05 PM | Station Report | Dallas Soffa (Rhoads) |
| 2:45 PM | Station Report | Rafael Fissore |
| 3:35 PM | Station Report | Ron Butler |
| 4:00 PM | Station Report | Amanda Patterson |
|  | Station Report | Vimal Selvarja |
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Meeting presentations/discussion

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| **Thursday (13th)** | **Activity** | **Observations/comments** |
| 9:00 AM | Welcome (Shelly Rhoads) |  |
| 9:05 AM | USDA Report -Mirando | Relocation to KC (2019) -75% staff lost; hired aggressively, >300 staff  Director Carrie Castille left, Dionne Toombs = new director; Parag Chitnis leaving end of May  Bob Godfrey joined NIFA, Sept 2021  Program Leaders hired, Angelica Van Goor (Genetics), Joel Caton (Ruminant Nutrition), Kamilah Grant (Animal Reproduction)  Budget -continued increases -FY22 = 67 million increase and mandatory = increased too; Multi-state funds kept flat (see document for additional details)  Page 2 = success rate outcomes  Questions: How to decide between Repro and Nutrition/Lactation for Developmental Programming projects -decision based on outcome not model, e.g., live calves, repro outcomes = Reproduction sections whereas muscle growth =Animal Growth and Lactation; response to vaccine = Animal Health  Upcoming round -funding ~same number of grants upcoming submission cycle? Expect these numbers to be similar  Anticipate same number of seed grants? -trying to keep the rate, target 35% success rate  USDA/NIH partnership -completely sunset  In person grant panels? -Deputy Directors have not yet made decisions, some in support but likely left up to program leader, some space in KC and DC  =Ongoing projects, budget for feeding costs -supplements for projects to cover these costs? USDA = no COVID supplemental funds. Unfortunately, no money to cover but accepting no cost extension or revision of objectives -contact Mark for additional information |
| 10:15 AM | Station Report | Cecily Bishop |
| 10:45 AM | Station Report | Jennifer Wood |
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| 11:15 AM | Adjourn |  |