

## NC1177: Agricultural and Rural Finance Markets in Transition

Annual Meeting: October 17-18, 2022  
Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, Detroit Branch  
Detroit, MI

### Business Meeting Minutes

Attending NC1177 Participants:

- Bruce Ahrendsen, University of Arkansas
- Maria Bampasidou, Louisiana State University
- Lawson Connor, University of Arkansas (NC1177 Past President)
- Valentina Hartarska, Auburn University
- Margaret Jodlowski, Ohio State University
- Ani Katchova, Ohio State University
- Kevin Kim, Mississippi State University
- Todd Kuethe, Purdue University
- Ana Cláudia Sant'Anna, West Virginia University (NC1177 President)
- Andrew Stevens, University of Wisconsin–Madison (NC1177 President-Elect)
- Wendong Zhang, Cornell University

Ana Cláudia Sant'Anna called the NC1177 Business Meeting to order at 8:34 am on Tuesday, October 18, 2022.

Ana Cláudia Sant'Anna made several announcements to open the meeting. The current multistate research project was renewed effective October 1, 2019 and is valid until September 30, 2024. Ana Cláudia provided a summary of the conversation that occurred at the NC1177 meeting on April 9, 2022 in Kansas City.

Todd Kuethe (Editor, *Agricultural Finance Review*) provided an update about the *Agricultural Finance Review (AFR)*. Overall, the journal is doing well. The *AFR* is currently indexed in Web of Science's Emerging Sources Citation Index (ESCI), which is a good step toward an ultimate goal of being indexed in the Social Sciences Citation Index (SSCI). NC1177 participants were encouraged to propose special issues for the *AFR*. Recent special issues guest-edited by NC1177 participants—including those on the topics of beginning farmers and ranchers and nontraditional credit—have been very successful. The broad theme for the journal is the “financing of agricultural production,” and any scholarship that falls under that umbrella is welcome. NC1177 participants were encouraged to “submit, review, and cite” *AFR* articles.

Participants discussed their perspectives about future NC1177 Annual Meetings. There was a strong consensus to continue the historical partnership with the Kansas City Federal Reserve and the National Agricultural Credit Committee (NACC). Todd Kuethe noted his willingness to assist in coordinating a joint NC1177/NACC meeting in the fall of 2023 through his part-time work with the Kansas City Federal Reserve.

Brady Brewer moved and Margaret Jodlowski seconded that NC1177 not plan a meeting in the Spring of 2023. The motion carried.

Ana Cláudia Sant'Anna noted that presentation slides from the current annual meeting would be added to the AgEcon Search repository as has been done in past years. She also asked NC1177 participants to submit a list of their recent NC1177-related publications to the project leadership team for documentation on the NC1177 project website.

Ana Cláudia Sant'Anna noted that Jiseon Choi—a graduate student from Ohio State University presenting at this year's NC1177 Annual Meeting—was the recipient of the first Travel Grant from the Agricultural Finance and Management (AFM) Section of the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA). This nascent program includes both a monetary travel award and mentoring from a more senior member of the AFM Section or NC1177 Multistate Project. Cortney Cowley (Kansas City Federal Reserve), Francisco Scott (Kansas City Federal Reserve), and Kevin Kim all volunteered to serve as mentors to future travel award recipients.

Margaret Jodlowski encouraged NC1177 participants to propose AFM Track Sessions for the 2023 AAEA Annual Meeting. She noted the possibility of building both a Track Session and a Special Issue of the *AFR* around a shared topic.

Cortney Cowley (Kansas City Federal Reserve) discussed possible locations for a joint NC1177/NACC meeting in Fall 2023. The three current candidate locations are Atlanta, Omaha, and San Francisco. After some discussion, NC1177 participants did not establish a clear preference between the three.

Several NC1177 participants made announcements about current or impending job openings at their institutions. This included positions at Ohio State University, Purdue University, Iowa State University, and the USDA Economic Research Service.

Brady Brewer moved and Bruce Ahrendsen seconded that Margaret Jodlowski be elected as President-Elect of the NC1177 Multistate Research Project. The motion carried. At the adjournment of this meeting, the NC1177 Leadership Team will consist of Andrew Stevens (President), Ana Cláudia Sant'Anna (Past President), and Margaret Jodlowski (President-Elect).

Ana Cláudia Sant'Anna adjourned the meeting at 9:22 am.