NC-2042 - 2018 Annual Meeting

Dates: October 11-13, 2018

Location: Hotel Roanoke and Conference Center

110 Shenandoah Avenue Roanoke, VA 24016

Airport: Roanoke Regional Airport (ROA)

Transportation

• The airport is within a 10-min drive from the hotel.

- Free shuttle service airport-hotel-airport every 30 minutes.
- For farm visits, the Department of Dairy Science will provide vans.
- If you are flying into Roanoke, you should not need to rent a car.

Hotel Accommodations

- Rooms are secured under **NC-2042 Multi-State Research Group** at Hotel Roanoke from Wednesday October 10 (check-in) to Sunday October 14 (check-out).
- Room availability is guaranteed until Friday September 14, 2018. Please reserve your rooms accordingly.
 Consider there might be a Virginia Tech game that weekend in Blacksburg, which may increase the demand for hotel rooms.
- Room fares:
 - o Single occupancy: \$139 + taxes
 - Double occupancy: \$159 + taxes
- Registration fee:
 - \$146.05/person (tax included)
 - This fee includes meeting room, breakfast and continuous refreshment service (Thursday and Friday), 2
 lunches (Thursday and Friday), and service charges (i.e., gratuity for food and beverage)
 - o I will need to send a final number of meeting attendants by October 8, 2018.
 - A \$600-grant from Virginia Tech's Center for Organizational & Technological Advancement (COTA) was granted to the group. This amount will be equally discounted among attendants of the meeting
 - When you check-in at the hotel, please request that your "Registration Fee" is charged to your invoice so you can request your reimbursements.
- Parking¹:

Self-parking: \$10/overnightValet parking: \$16/overnight

¹ Parking fees are subject to changes.

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AGENDA

Wednesday October 10, 2018	
Arrival to Hotel Roanoke and Conference Center	

Thursday October 11, 2018 (meeting @ Wilson Room)					
6:00 am – 7:45 am	Breakfast ² @ Commonwealth Lounge (included)				
8:15 am – 10:00 am	Welcome, introductions, and business meeting (approval of minutes; advisor comments;				
	future secretary; future meeting -location & length-).				
10:00 am – 12:30 pm	Preparation of 5-year final report.				
12:30 pm – 1:45 pm	Lunch @ Regency Room (included)				
1:45 pm – 3:30 pm	Preparation of 5-year final report.				
3:30 pm – 3:45 pm	Break.				
3:45 pm – 6:00 pm	Start station reports.				
7:00 pm	Group dinner (place TBD; not covered in registration)				

Friday October 12, 2018 (meeting @ Wilson Room)					
6:00 am – 7:45 am	Breakfast ³ @ Commonwealth Lounge (included)				
8:15 am – 8:30 am	Review of 5-year report				
8:30 am – 9:45 am	Station reports				
9:45 am – 10:00 am	Break				
10:00 am – 12:30 pm	Station reports.				
12:30 pm – 1:45 pm	Lunch @ Regency Room (included)				
2:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Visit VT Dairy Complex				
6:30 pm	Group dinner (place TBD; not covered in registration)				

Saturday October 13, 2018				
6:00 am – 7:45 am	Breakfast (on your own; not covered in registration)			
8:00 am – 12:30 pm	Farm visits (likely 2 dairy farms in Pittsylvania County)			
12:30 pm – 1:45 pm	Breakfast (not covered in registration)			
1:45 pm – 4:30 pm	Touring around scenic Virginia while returning to hotel (optional)			
6:00 pm	Group dinner (place TBD; not covered in registration)			

	Wednesday October 10, 2018	
Return home		

² Breakfast: the breakfast included is a "fast-type" buffet. If you prefer, you have the option of going to the hotel's restaurant but you will have to pay this separately.

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