

Pacific Land Grant Alliance / ADAP Board of Director's Meeting
July 18 - 19, 2007
Jackson, Wyoming

Directors and Project Manager:

Dr. Daniel Aga, ASCC
Dr. Singeru Singeo, COM
Mr. Ross Manglona, NMC
Dr. Lee Yudin, UOG
Dr. Andrew Hashimoto, UH
Mr. Jim Hollyer, UH

Invited Guests:

Dr. Carol Lewis, University of Alaska,
Dean of School of Natural Resources
& Agricultural Sciences, and Director
of Agricultural & Forestry Experiment
Station

Dr. Jan Auyong, Executive Director,
Western Sun Grant Center, and
Assistant Director of Agricultural
Experiment Station, Oregon State
University

Dr. Mike Harrington, Director, Western
Association of Agricultural
Experimental Station Directors

(Unable to attend) Dr. Louie Tupas, USDA

Day 1: ADAP Meeting

I. Welcome and Introduction

- Meeting begins with Dr. Dan Aga as chairman

II. Confirmation of agenda

III. Sun Grant Update from Dr. Jan Auyong

- Sun Grant Initiative had its first competitive round this Spring, 2007. The Department of Transportation (DOT) reviewed the Western Region's proposed projects and found that the projects met the DOT's priorities and portfolio. The DOT approved the projects and

award notifications were sent to each PI last week. Of the projects approved, there were three biomass projects (biodiesel from seeds, biodiesel from algae, biomass from waste materials from municipal animal waste streams); two economic eco-cellulosic projects; and two conversion projects. Details on the projects will be available soon on the Sun Grant Web site:

<http://sungrant.oregonstate.edu/>

- There are plans for a new RFA to be announced in the Fall 2007 for unique feedstocks in isolated or unusual climatic areas. (Approx. \$100,000 for a one-year project)

IV. WAAESD Update from Dr. Mike Harrington

- As a participant in the Budget and Advocacy Committee of NASULGC, Dr. Harrington represents the ESCOP committee and actively works to support the needs of the Western and Pacific land grants.
- WERA 1004 (the multi-state/regional committee of which ADAP is a part) recently went through a mid-term review and the review committee found that the meeting minutes from July 2005 to present were missing. Dr. Carol Lewis can become part of the ERA, if she so chooses.
- Our multi-state is an ERA (Education/Extension/Research multi-state committee has limited requirements for justifying the committee. There are reviews every three years to make sure that the committee is making progress toward its stated goals.

Documentation of progress is found in the meeting minutes.

- ADAP benefits from being an ERA committee in that it allows participants to use HATCH funds for travel expenses for meetings.
- The USDA multi-state program releases funds annually via RFP and the regional offices will work with the multi-state committees to create a good proposal.
- To best serve the PLGA, it may be beneficial to invite Peter McPherson, President of NASULGC, to our next board meeting in the CNMI (To Do).

V. ASCC Campus Update

- ASCC recently hired a new CFO. The new CFO will be sent the upcoming Administrators meeting in Guam in September.
- ASCC is looking for a plant pathologist, nutritionist, and forester.

VI. COM Campus Update

(RECORDING DISTORTED)

- With new HATCH funding COM would like to see if we can build two new research facilities, one in Pohnpei, and in Chuuk. We currently have research facilities in Palau, Yap, and Kosrae.
- We are continuing to look for an aquaculture researcher for the Marshall Islands.

VII. NMC Campus Update

- NMC has been placed on probation by the WASC.
- NMC's tuition has been raised by 40%, resulting in a large enrollment drop.
- The federal government has instituted a minimum wage for CNMI. The state government fears

that these changes will lead to the closing of the garment factories in CNMI.

- In response to the anticipated loss of the garment factories, the NMC will move into vocational instruction to help support the US military increases in Guam.
- NMC has a new president, Dr. Carmen Fernandez. Previously, she was the VP of University of Guam.
- NMC has successfully competed for several grants. In order to help track the extension grants, NMC is requiring video archiving.
- NMC extension has noticed an increase in the number of phone calls from farmers about invasive species.

IIX. UH Campus Update

- UH has a new chancellor, Dr. Virginia Hinshaw.
- UH is celebrating its centennial this year.
- Tuition increases in the UH system has led to a small decrease in enrollment. At the same time, the enrollment at CTAHR has increased.

IX. UOG Campus Update

- Dr. Yudin has been interim 2nd VP for UOG for the last three months. He will be returning to the CNAS in the middle of August, 2007.
- Starting August 1, 2007, Cooperative Extension will be returning to the land grant college (CNAS).
- Jim Hollyer had facilitated strategic planning sessions for the Cooperative Extension and Experimental Station groups. Over the next few months, CES will be

transitioning into CNAS and will be blending those strategic plans.

- UOG sent out a furlough notice less than 30 days ago; the notice stated that UOG would reduce all staff salaries 12.5%. Fortunately, the Guam government found money to halt the furlough.

X. UAF Campus Update

- Within UAF, Cooperative Extension and the Experiment Station have never been part of the same college. CES is currently under the College of Rural and Community Development.
- A review of CES is in planning that will reevaluate the position of CES within the land grant system, and then create a new strategic plan.
- UAF's geography program is now been "hard funded"; the two visiting faculty will be retained. The curriculum has been reviewed and approved by the faculty senate.
- Next year, UAF will be hosting the WAAESD meeting.

XI. Future ADAP Funding

- For FY2008, we are still hopeful that we will receive funding. If ADAP receives funding, we will need to plan for "bridge funding" for the period that FY2008 funding becomes available. ADAP will need to make plans for two possible futures, with and without FY2008 funding.

XII. Sun Grant Discussion

- There has been considerable resistance within the national committee to the Pacific forming its own Sun Grant regional center, but there is still support for a Pacific

sub-center, attached to the Western Regional office.

- There were difficulties in submitting a proposal for the Sun Grant RFPs this summer. We need to work out the difficulties before the next RFA comes out this Fall.
- For the next RFP, the participating institutions need to make a commitment to the consortium. Additionally, each institution may need to make a commitment of funds to allow their participating scientists to travel to a planning meeting.
- For the next RFP, it may be beneficial for a pre-proposal from the lead scientist to each participating scientist so that they can plan how their institution is going to work toward the common, integrated goal.
- Discussion of the ADAP Biofuels Project progress. (After meeting note: Dr. Mari Marutani is sending her Okinawa talk on the progress of the project to the ADAP office and that talk will then be made available to the ADAP board.
- For the next project, coconuts, and *Jatropha* can be farmed at each participating island; UH can coordinate activities; UAF can assess each product for its efficiency as a biofuel. The directors will work together to identify the right people to participate in the project.

IIX. Cari-Pac Update

- FY2007 proposal was submitted three months ago. Temporary approval was given by the review committee for \$496,000, the full amount.
- Each participant in the consortium committed to certain joint projects,

such as infrastructure for distance education, scholarships, and internships.

IX. Alaskan Native/Native Hawaiian Serving Institutions Update

- Discussion of the definitions of “minority serving institution.”

X. ADAP Project reports

- Review ADAP Project reports and Attachment 1, CIPS report.

XII. ADAP Winter Meeting, January 2008.

- Review Attachment 2, ADAP Meeting Locations.
- Location: Saipan, CNMI
- Tentative dates: January 6-12, 2008
- Invited guests: Dr. Peter McPherson, president NASULGC. Send out invitation as soon as possible

XIII. Meeting adjourned

MOTION: MOVE TO ACCEPT MINUTES OF MEETING FROM JANUARY 2007 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, KOROR, PALAU, WITH NOTED CHANGES.

Day 2: ADAP Meeting

XI. Fiscal Update

- Review fiscal documents
- Home office staffing updates
- Discussion about transitioning Dennis Miyahara’s salary from ADAP from .50FTE to .25FTE, beginning June 30, 2008.
- Discussion about finding funding from within the ADAP budget to fund the Home office salaries to June 30, 2007.

MOTION: RETURN FUNDS FROM ASCC, COM, NMC, AND UOG IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7500 FOR HOME OFFICE STAFF FOR THE PERIOD FROM MARCH 31 TO JUNE 30, 2008. AUGUST 6 DEADLINE FOR EACH INSTITUTION TO NOTIFY THE HOME OFFICE WHERE TO WITHDRAW FUNDS FROM.

Attachment 1: CIPS Update from Eileen Herring

ADAP CIPS
01/01/07 – 06/30/07 Library Services Statistics

Location	Searches	Articles	Book Loans	Hours	Value
ASCC	0	12	1	7.0	\$182.50
COM-FSM					
Yap	0	4	0	1.5	\$60.00
CMI	0	0	0	0.0	\$0.00
NMC					
Saipan	0	13	0	6.5	\$214.50
Tinian	1	2	0	2.0	\$90.00
PCC	0	0	0	0.0	\$00.00
UOG	4	8	0	4.5	\$273.00
SPC-Fiji	0	1	0	0.5	\$15.00
Total	5	40	1	22.0	\$835.00

*The figures given in the "Value" column are based on the current rate schedule of the University of Hawaii at Manoa Library's External Services Program. (ESP). ESP provides library services for non-UH Manoa patrons. ESP charges fees on a cost-recovery basis.

The Traditional Pacific Island Crops Web Site (AgNIC Partner)
(<http://libweb.hawaii.edu/libdept/scitech/agnic/>)



This ADAP supported project provides access to Pacific relevant full-text electronic resources about 12 traditional Pacific Island Crops:

- Bananas and Plantains (*Musa* sp.)
- Betel Nut (*Areca catechu*)
- Breadfruit (*Artocarpus altilis*)
- Cassava (*Manihot esculenta*)
- Coconut (*Cocos nucifera*)
- Kava (*Piper methysticum*)
- Noni (*Morinda citrifolia*)
- Pandanus (*Pandanus* sp.)
- Sugarcane (*Saccharum officinarum*)
- Sweet Potato (*Ipomoea batatas*)

Attachment 1: CIPS Update from Eileen Herring (cont.)

- Taro (*Colocasia esculenta*) and other Edible Aroids
- Yam (*Dioscorea* sp.)

The Web site contains links to quality World Wide Web resources that deal with the production, marketing, and research aspects of these twelve important traditional Pacific Island crops. Related marketing and statistical sites, databases, and other reference sources are also included. The emphasis is on collecting full-text resources so that Pacific Islanders who have Web access but do not have access to library print resources can find the information they need to grow and market these crops. Each of the included resources has been identified and evaluated by Eileen for the quality of their information and relevance to Pacific island agriculture.

During the past six months (January through June), these pages have received 10,880 page requests (that translates into 22,531 "hits"). Taro, sweet potato and sugar cane have been the most popular crops with about 1,100 page requests each. Among the worldwide users of this information, the following Pacific island domains accessed these Web pages:

- .as (American Samoa)
- .au (Australia)
- .fj (Fiji)
- .fm (Micronesia)
- .nc (New Caledonia)
- .nz (New Zealand)
- .pf (French Polynesia)
- .pg (Papua New Guinea)
- .sb (Solomon Islands)
- .to (Tonga)
- .ws (Samoa)

During the past six months, the ADAP librarian answered 13 email reference questions from users throughout the world concerning these twelve crops.

Attachment 2: ADAP Meeting Locations

Meeting Date	Grant Year	Location	Chairman	Host Inst.
HOME MEETINGS				
AWAY MEETINGS				
January (Winter)	2008	Saipan, CNMI	Dan Aga, ASCC	NMC
July (Summer)	Year 19	Jackson, WY	Dan Aga, ASCC	COM
January (Winter)	Year 19	Palau, Rep. of Palau	Dan Aga, ASCC	COM
July (Summer)	Year 18	Monterey, CA	Dan Aga, ASCC	COM
January (Winter)	Year 18	American Samoa	Lee Yudin, UOG	ASCC
July (Summer)	Year 17	Santa Fe, New Mexico	Lee Yudin, UOG	ASCC
January (Winter)	Year 17	Honolulu, Hawaii	Lee Yudin, UOG	UH
June (Summer)	Year 16	Guam	Lee Yudin, UOG	UOG
January (Winter)	Year 16	Honolulu, HI	Andrew Hashimoto, UH	UH
July (Summer)	Year 15	Oregon	Andrew Hashimoto, UH	UOG
January (Winter)	Year 15	Saipan	Andrew Hashimoto, UH	NMC
July (Summer)	Year 14	Big Sky, Montana	Andrew Hashimoto, UH	NMC
April (Winter)	Year 14	Honolulu, HI	Andrew Hashimoto, UH	NMC
July (Summer)	Year 13	Honolulu, HI	Andrew Hashimoto, UH	NMC
February (Winter)	Year 13	Baltimore, MD	A. Hashimoto, UH (in place of Singeo)	NMC
July (Summer)	Year 12	Reno/Lake Tahoe, NV	Singeru Singeo, COM	NMC
January (Winter)	Year 12	Pago, AM Samoa	Singeru Singeo, COM	NMC
July (Summer)	Year 11	Honolulu, HI	M. Van der Veen, NMC (in place of Singeo)	ASCC
January (Winter)	Year 11	Palau, Rep. of Palau	Jeff Barcinas, UOG	COM
July (Summer)	Year 10	Honolulu, HI	Jeff Barcinas, UOG	COM
January (Winter)	Year 10	Honolulu, HI	Jeff Barcinas, UOG	UH
July (Summer)	Year 9	Honolulu, HI	Jeff Barcinas, UOG	UH
January (Winter)	Year 9	Mangilao, Guam	Saleia Afele-Fa'amuli	UOG
July (Summer)	Year 8	Honolulu, HI	??	UOG
January (Winter)	Year 8	Saipan, CNMI	??	UOG
July (Summer)	Year 7	Honolulu, HI	??	NMC
February (Winter)	Year 7	Suva, Fiji	??	NMC