March 5, 2024
NREC Council Meeting
Held in person: ACES Library, University of Illinois and via Zoom
10 am – 3 pm

Chairman Don Guinnip called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. Members present in-person were: Don Guinnip, Chuck Cawley, Jeff Kirwan, Scott Lagger, Jake Vossenkemper, Tim Laatsch, Ronaldo Maghirang, Trevor Sample. Members present via Zoom: David Wessel. Staff members Julie Hewitt and Shani Golovay were also present in person.

Brent Pollard with Illinois Farm Bureau was also in attendance.

Secretary Jeff Kirwan moved to accept the minutes from the December 13, 2023 meeting. Scott Lagger seconded and the minutes were placed on file.

Chuck Cawley provided an update on collections of assessment fees. Scott Lagger moved and Jeff Kirwan seconded a motion directing Executive Director Hewitt to move forward with identifying an auditor and moving that process forward. Motion passed.

Chuck Cawley presented a motion from the Executive Committee to place on file an updated record of Council terms based on organization seats and not just individuals. Scott Lagger seconded that motion and the motion passed. The updated term documents are attached.

Jeff Kirwan moved and Tim Laatsch seconded a motion to extend the term of Cindy Skrukrud for an additional year to allow time to identify a replacement for the environmental organization seat she has held since the statute was passed. The motion passed.

The Council members then visited with researchers Kaiyu Guan (virtual), Angela Kent, Fred Below, Andrew Margenot and Zhongjie Yu in their respective labs.

Jeff Kirwan moved and Scott Lagger seconded to adjourn the meeting at 2:00 pm. The motion passed.

During a recent internal audit of Council terms it was discovered that some of the terms had been recorded incorrectly. Chuck Cawley with IDOA and Executive Director Julie Hewitt reviewed the terms, compared them to terms established in the bylaws and created an updated tracking document.

In order to reduce confusion and streamline the process, the attached documents are being presented for approval and adoption by the NREC Council.

- Per the bylaws, members are eligible to serve two four-year terms. If a member is appointed to serve out the remainder of another individual's term, that partial term DOES NOT count towards their allowed years of service.
- Terms will be tracked by the organization AND the individual. Initial staggered terms were established in the bylaws and govern the starting and ending years for organizational terms. The document "Terms by Organization" outlines these details.
- In addition to the tracking of terms by organization, terms will also be tracked to ensure compliance with allowed years of service. Those details are contained in the "Council Member Terms".
- Terms start and end at the organization's Annual Meeting which is held in December.
- Council members retiring from service midway through an organizational term, automatically create an "incomplete term" for their successor. The successor's first full year term will begin at the beginning of the next organizational term.

	Incomplete Term	
	Start	End
IFCA 1	2012	2015
IFCA 2	2012	2016
IFCA 3	2012	2013
ILFB	2012	2015
ILCGA	2012	2016
ISA	2012	2013
CCA	2012	2014
SPEC FERT	2012	2014
ELPC	2012	2014
SIERRA CLUB	2012	2015
RESEARCH STATION	2012	2016

	Term 1		Term 2		Term 3		Term 4		Term 5	
	Start	End	Start	End	Start	End	Start	End	Start	End
IFCA 1	2015	2019	2019	2023	2023	2027	2027	2031	2031	2035
IFCA 2	2016	2020	2020	2024	2024	2028	2028	2032	2032	2036
IFCA 3	2013	2017	2017	2021	2021	2025	2025	2029	2029	2033
ILFB	2015	2016	2019	2023	2023	2027	2027	2031	2031	2035
ILCGA	2016	2020	2020	2024	2024	2028	2028	2032	2032	2036
ISA	2013	2017	2017	2021	2021	2025	2025	2029	2029	2033
CCA	2014	2018	2018	2022	2022	2026	2026	2030	2030	2034
SPEC FERT	2014	2018	2018	2022	2022	2026	2026	2030	2030	2034
ELPC	2014	2018	2018	2022	2022	2026	2026	2030	2030	2034
SIERRA CLUB	2015	2019	2019	2023	2023	2027	2027	2031	2031	2035
RESEARCH STATION	2016	2020	2020	2024	2024	2028	2028	2032	2032	2036

	Term 6		Term 7		Term 8		Term 9		Term 10	
	Start	End	Start	End	Start	End	Start	End	Start	End
IFCA 1	2035	2039	2039	2043	2043	2047	2047	2051	2051	2055
IFCA 2	2036	2040	2040	2044	2044	2048	2048	2052	2052	2056
IFCA 3	2033	2037	2037	2041	2041	2045	2045	2049	2049	2053
ILFB	2035	2039	2039	2043	2043	2047	2047	2051	2051	2055
ILCGA	2036	2040	2040	2044	2044	2048	2048	2052	2052	2056
ISA	2033	2037	2037	2041	2041	2045	2045	2049	2049	2053
CCA	2034	2038	2038	2042	2042	2046	2046	2050	2050	2054
SPEC FERT	2034	2038	2038	2042	2042	2046	2046	2050	2050	2054
ELPC	2034	2038	2038	2042	2042	2046	2046	2050	2050	2054
SIERRA CLUB	2035	2039	2039	2043	2043	2047	2047	2051	2051	2055
RESEARCH STATION	2036	2040	2040	2044	2044	2048	2048	2052	2052	2056