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Greetings everyone! I hope your summer is shaping up to be a good one. The fall semester is just around the corner which means submissions are approaching for the SAEA Annual Meeting in Dallas, February 1-4, 2014. Dallas is a great city and next year's meeting should be as productive and fun as in years past. We expect to have many excellent sessions, and the offsite activities should provide some great venues to network with colleagues. The call for papers, nomination of officers, announcements, awards and directions for submission are outlined in this newsletter. Please submit a paper, attend the meetings and bring your students to Dallas!

The SAEA Executive Committee held its summer meeting in Savannah, GA on June 13th. The board made some important decisions since our last meeting in February 2013. Here are a few highlights:

Journal News

As many of you may know, the association has applied on several occasions to have our journal accepted by Thomson-Reuters ISI, which is a citation scoring index. Unfortunately, we have not been successful. Consequently, the board has hired a consultant to assist in finding a potential new publisher that will improve the journal's circulation while retaining strong emphasis on the mission, editorial quality, rigor and ethics of the JAAE. The board is particularly interested in publishers that have been successful in facilitating the acceptance of other journals by Thomson-Reuters ISI. The board expects to discuss potential new publishers at the February 2014 board meeting in Dallas. I will keep the membership posted on our progress.

I also wanted to take a moment to thank our outgoing editors, Mary Marchant, Darrell Bosch (Virginia Tech) and Michael Wetzstein (University of Georgia) who formally conclude their editorship on June 30th. Let me also welcome the incoming editors, Krishna Paudel (Louisiana State University) and Andrew McKenzie (University of Arkansas) who begin their term starting July 1, 2013. The JAAE is an important contribution to the Agricultural and Applied Economics literature, and one of our association's most valued services to our members. We appreciate the leadership and professionalism of both our past and present editors.

Membership and Finances

SAEA membership remains strong and increased by 34 members since June of 2012. The membership total was up to 750 as of June 10, 2013. Both Junior and Regular memberships are higher. Our financial status also remains strong with a current balance in checking of \$14,282.25 and the balance in our investment account is up to \$153,364.61. The total net worth for the Association is \$168,353.36.

The Web Page

The Executive Committee also contracted with a website development company to update the association's web-page. The company is expected to provide a new look to the web-page that will improve our internet presence and provide better functionality for our members. All content will continue to be managed by the board, and Harvey Witt (University of Georgia) has agreed to

continue maintaining the web-page. We appreciate the excellent job Harvey has done in the past and look forward to working with him in the future. Please let me know if you have any comments or suggestions once the new page becomes active in the coming months.

The Quiz Bowl

The Executive Committee's incentive program for potential advisors of undergraduate students will continue for this year's meeting. In addition to the available travel funds, the SAEA will pay the registration fee for an advisor who brings students from schools that have not participated in the Quiz Bowl during the past three years. The Quiz Bowl has grown, and the EC would like that to continue as well as expand the scope of teams present. We also plan to upgrade equipment this year by purchasing three new buzzer systems and three new digital projectors for the quiz bowl competition. This means advisors will not have to transport this equipment to the annual meetings each year.

Emerging Scholars' Invited Papers

Last year the Executive Committee launched this new program with the goal of identifying and promoting new, high potential emerging scholars in our profession. Last year's program was a great success and we plan to continue the program this year. Please check your programs at the meeting and plan to attend this event in support of our emerging scholars.

Call for Selected Papers and Organized Symposia

Please see the guidelines for paper and organized symposia submissions in this newsletter. Thanks to all of you who are serving as members of committees to review and select papers, posters and awards for the association. The Executive Committee and I appreciate your efforts and want to assure you that your contributions are an extremely important part of what the SAEA provides to its members.

Note that the SAEA continues to publish abstracts of selected papers and organized symposia. Authors need to be sure that abstracts of their work are submitted to the chair of the respective committee. All abstracts will be published on-line, with a citation page noted in the August issue of the JAAE.

Calls for Award Nominations

Please consider nominating worthy candidates for SAEA awards. These are important rewards for excellence within our Association and allow us to recognize the efforts and success of our colleagues. All award nominations should be forwarded to Parr Rosson following the guidelines in this issue. Please note that all award nominations are now completely electronic.

Officer Nominations

Service to the Association is important and having good officers is a key to the success of any organization. If you have nominations for the position of President-Elect or Director, please send them directly to me. The deadline for officer nominations is August 5, 2013.

Please contact the Executive Committee if you have questions, ideas, or concerns we need to address. Thank you for being a member of SAEA and I look forward to seeing everyone in Dallas.

Wes Harrison, SAEA President

What – SAEA Annual Meeting

Where – Sheraton Dallas Hotel, Dallas, Texas

When – February 1-4, 2014

Why – A chance to network and share your work with colleagues.

Registration will begin December 1, 2013. Paper and poster submissions open after July 29, 2013 and will close at midnight, September 16, 2013. Award nominations are due by September 16, 2013. Begin planning now to attend and share your work.

**ACADEMIC QUIZ BOWL COMPETITION AT THE SAEA ANNUAL MEETING
IN DALLAS, TEXAS IN 2014**

Undergraduates and Student Advisors!

Please mark your calendars and start your plans for Dallas! Once again, the Student Section of the SAEA will be coordinating the Academic Quiz Bowl competition, and we are hoping for a record turn-out of schools and student participants.

We are again planning on hosting a graduate program Recruitment Fair which provided graduate program coordinators an opportunity to meet, greet and recruit quiz bowl participants for their respective departments.

If you have any questions about these plans, please contact **Corey Miller**, Student Section Faculty Advisor, Mississippi State University, P.O. Box 5187, Mississippi State, MS 39762, Phone 662/325-0848, Fax 662/325-8777. Travel grants are available for students participating in Quiz Bowl. Also note that the registration fees for advisors at schools who have not participated in the last three years will be waived.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
SOUTHERN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION
LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

I. GENERAL GUIDELINES

A. Purpose of the Award: To recognize significant and enduring contributions in scholarship or public service to southern agricultural economics. Scholarship would entail teaching and research, while public service would embrace not only extension but all other outreach activities in government and agribusiness. This award recognizes individual distinguished contributions to the profession over a career.

B. Nature of the Award: The award shall be called "Southern Agricultural Economics Association Lifetime Achievement Award." The winners of the award shall be announced annually with the awards presented at the annual meetings of the SAEA. Each recipient will receive a framed certificate and a free membership to the Southern Agricultural Economics Association for the remainder of his or her life.

C. Eligibility Requirements: Nominees must have completed at least 25 years of professional service and must have made significant contributions to the profession. This award is in recognition of one's contribution to southern agricultural economics throughout a professional career. The award may be given posthumously. The recipient need not live (or have lived) in the southern region, but must have been a member of the Southern Agricultural Economics Association at some time in his or her career.

II. NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations must be made by SAEA members and/or agricultural economics and related departments. Nominations will consist of the following:

1. A statement, not longer than two double-spaced pages, summarizing the contributions in scholarship (teaching and/or research) and/or public service (extension and other outreach activities including such activities in government or agribusiness) to southern agricultural economics throughout the nominee's professional career.
2. A detailed resume of the nominee.
3. Copies of not more than three published works which exemplify research contributions of the nominee and a brief summary of other works which provide tangible evidence of the nominee's contributions to southern agricultural economics; and/or summaries of courses taught, topics covered, formal evaluations of teaching, and not more than three tangible examples of teaching aids or other tangible examples of extension or outreach program materials exemplifying the nominee's contributions in public service to southern agricultural economics.
4. Letters indicating contributions the nominee has made to southern agricultural economics (maximum of 3).
5. A synopsis of the candidate's career suitable for publication in the *Journal of Agricultural and Applied Economics*. See examples in the August issue of the *JAAE*.
6. The Selection Committee for the Southern Agricultural Economics Association Lifetime Achievement Award shall be composed of the Past-President of the SAEA and three members of the SAEA, not on the executive committee, to be appointed to staggered three-year terms by the President. The Past-President will chair the selection committee and will be the liaison between the selection committee and the SAEA executive committee.

III. SUBMISSION OF NOMINATIONS

Submit nomination materials in electronic format for LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

by September 16, 2013 to:

Dr. Parr Rosson
Texas A&M University
Agricultural Economics
prosson@tamu.edu

**Submissions must be received by
Monday, September 16, 2013.**

**Telephone and E-mail are for
information only, please**
Phone: 979/845-2116
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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

SOUTHERN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION AWARDS FOR DISTINGUISHED PROFESSIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS

I. GENERAL GUIDELINES

A. Purpose of the Awards: To recognize significant contributions of individuals to the profession of agricultural economics, to bring such contributions to the attention of the profession, and to facilitate firsthand sharing of such contributions through the annual SAEA meetings.

B. Nature of the Awards: The "Southern Agricultural Economics Association Awards for Distinguished Professional Contributions" are made annually and recipients share their award-winning contributions with the membership at SAEA annual meetings. More than one award may be made each year in each category based on the judgment of evaluation committees concerning the significance of nominated works. Committees shall not be obligated to make awards if no nominee is judged deserving. Each winner will receive a certificate of recognition.

C. Award Categories: Awards are considered for distinguished contributions to the profession in the following categories:

- ▶ **Outstanding *JAAE* Article**
- ▶ **Outstanding Teaching of a Course Award**
- ▶ **Distinguished Extension Program Award**
- ▶ **Outstanding Master's Thesis Award**
- ▶ **Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award**

D. Eligibility Requirements: Nominees must be SAEA members and actively involved in the area for which the work is nominated. The contribution nominated may be the work of a single individual or group of individuals. In the case of group awards, one-half or more of the contributing individuals must be SAEA members actively involved in the area of the nominated work. Graduate students must be student members of the SAEA.

E. Selection Criteria: Selection of award winners will be made by committees appointed by the SAEA President except for the Outstanding *JAAE* Article where the selection committee is composed of the *JAAE* Editors, Associate Editors, and the Editorial Council. Criteria used in the selection process include:

1. Relevance and importance of topic, problem, or issue addressed;
2. Application of appropriate economic principles, methods, and concepts;
3. Appropriate use of logic, scientific approach, method, or process;
4. Contribution of results and/or process to advancing the agricultural economics profession; and
5. Transferability of achievement to professional development of other economists.

F. Award Winner Responsibilities: Acceptance of an award carries a commitment on the part of the award winner(s) to attend and share this work, in person, with other members of the profession at the SAEA annual meeting when the award is given. Award recipients are expected to summarize and highlight their accomplishments in a poster presentation at the annual meeting. Poster session guidelines will be made available to award recipients.

G. Notification: Award winners will be notified at least 30 days before the annual meetings.

II. NOMINATION PROCESS

A. Outstanding *JAAE* Article

1. *JAAE* articles appearing in the December 2012 through August 2013 issues will routinely be considered by the selection committee composed of the *JAAE* Editor, Associate Editors, and the Editorial Council. No nominations are required.

B. Outstanding Teaching of a Course Award

1. Statements, no longer than two double-spaced pages, should be submitted by the nominator to the SAEA Past-President. These statements should summarize the contribution of nominated works with respect to the evaluation criteria listed above as they relate to the teaching of a course of instruction.
2. A brief resume of the economist(s) nominated and a brief summary of course covered by nomination.

3. A copy of formal evaluations and description of teaching aids or materials supporting nomination (e.g., VHS videotape sample of nominee's teaching would be helpful).
4. Letters supporting contribution of nominated work with respect to the evaluation criteria listed above (maximum of 3).

C. Outstanding Extension Program Award

1. Statements, no longer than two double-spaced pages, should be submitted by the nominator to the SAEA Past-President. These statements should summarize the contribution of nominated works with respect to the evaluation criteria listed above as they relate to the extension program nominated.
2. A brief resume of extension economist(s) nominated and a brief summary of the extension program nominated.
3. A copy of formal evaluations and extension program materials supporting nomination.
4. Letters supporting contribution of nominated work with respect to the evaluation criteria listed above (maximum of 3).

D. Outstanding Master's Thesis Award

1. A thesis must be submitted by the head or chair of the department where the thesis was presented in partial fulfillment of requirements for the Master's degree during the 2012-2013 academic year which started in August. The letter of nomination should include the author's name, thesis advisor(s), thesis title and institution granting the degree.
2. A department may submit one nomination for each fifteen Master's theses or fraction thereof presented to a graduate school faculty in the 2012-2013 academic year which started in August. In determining the number of eligible theses, departments must limit consideration to theses in the areas of agricultural economics, natural resource economics, rural economics, or agribusiness.
3. Selection will be made from documentation approved in final form by the student's advisory committee.
4. A cash supplement of \$200 accompanies the award.
5. Four copies of a thesis must be submitted.

E. Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award

1. A dissertation must be submitted by the head or chair of the department where the dissertation was presented in partial fulfillment of requirements for the Ph.D. during the 2012-2013 academic year which started in August. The letter of nomination should include the author's name, dissertation advisor(s), dissertation title and institution granting the degree.
2. A department may submit one nomination for each twelve doctoral dissertations or fraction thereof presented to a graduate school faculty in the 2012-2013 academic year which started in August. In determining the number of eligible nominations, departments must limit consideration to dissertations in the areas of agricultural economics, natural resource economics, rural economics, or agribusiness.
3. Selection will be made from documentation approved in final form by the student's advisory committee.
4. A cash supplement of \$300 accompanies the award.
5. Four copies of a dissertation must be submitted.

III. SUBMISSION OF NOMINATIONS

Submit all nomination materials in electronic (pdf) form only for the Southern Agricultural Economics Association **Distinguished Professional Contributions Awards by September 16, 2013** to:

Dr. Parr Rosson
Texas A&M University
Agricultural Economics
prosson@tamu.edu

Telephone and E-mail are for information only, please
Phone: 949/845-2116
Fax: 949/847-9378
E-mail: prosson@tamu.edu

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CALL FOR ORGANIZED SYMPOSIUM PROPOSALS

Eligibility Guidelines: The purpose of an organized symposium is to stimulate discussion of a single theme or problem related to agricultural economics. Interdisciplinary proposals are welcomed and encouraged. The emphasis on audience discussion and participation distinguishes a symposium from a selected papers session and requires that one-half of the available time be allocated to the discussion engaging the audience. **Proposals in the areas of Extension/Outreach and Teaching/Learning are strongly encouraged.** At least one participant must be a SAEA member in good standing at the time of the Organized Symposium proposal submission. If not, a check for \$30 for a regular membership for one year (\$35 for international) should be sent to the Secretary/Treasurer of SAEA.

Submission Guidelines: Proposals must be posted at <http://editorialexpress.com/conference/SAEA2014> no later than Friday, September 16, 2013, midnight EST. The website will be open for submissions after July 29, 2013. The proposal must include the following items: name, affiliation, address, phone number, and email address of the organizer and the symposium title. Proposals are limited to 750 words in length. The submitting member is responsible for the completion and accuracy of entered information and the selection of the designated area indicating "Organized Symposium." Questions regarding submission format for organized symposia should be addressed to **Dr. Barry Barnett**, Mississippi State University, Agricultural Economics, Phone: 662/325-0128, E-mail: barnett@agecon.msstate.edu

Submission procedure:

1. go to the designated website; <http://editorialexpress.com/conference/SAEA2014>.
2. click on "Submit an Abstract"
3. in the field "Area", click and select only Organized Symposium category listed toward the end of the list and follows categories for Selected Paper proposals;
4. **only PDF files** can be uploaded;
5. when submitting an Organized Symposium proposal, list all participants and their functions in the uploaded PDF file;
6. before you sign off, check:
 - that you spelled all names and affiliations correctly;
 - you included all names of co-authors and entered in the field "Authors, Affiliations..."
 - you selected "Area" designated for Organized Symposium (not "Selected Poster" or "Selected Papers").
7. The submission site closes at midnight, EST, September 16, 2013.

Selection, Presentation, and Publication: Acceptance decisions, based on evaluations by a committee from among the SAEA membership, will be communicated to the symposium organizer. All proposed participants must agree to be at the meetings, **prior** to submitting symposium proposals. The time allotted to selected symposia is identical to time of Selected Paper sessions and at least one-half of the period should include open discussion involving the audience. Abstracts of selected symposia will be published on the SAEA website. The Symposium organizer is responsible for submitting the 50 word abstract to the JAAE editors (JAAE@lsu.edu) within two weeks following the SAEA annual meeting (no later than February 18, 2013).

Proposal Submission Format:

- **Organizer:** (please include address, phone number, and E-mail address).
- **Title:** Symposium title.
- **Moderator and Participants:** Names, affiliations, titles, and viewpoints to be represented, for **all** participants. Addresses, phone numbers, and E-mail addresses must also be included for **all** participants.
- **Justification and Description:** Why is this topic timely and appropriate? What is the purpose to be served? What are the unique dimensions offered by the proposal?

Format: Specify time allocated to formal statements by presenters, discussion among presenters, and audience participation.

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CALL FOR SELECTED PAPER PROPOSALS

Eligibility Guidelines: Proposals, limited to 750 words, on any aspect of agricultural economics are welcomed (more papers on the subject areas of teaching and extension are especially welcome). Papers presented or published previously are not eligible. To submit a paper proposal, at least one author must be an SAEA member at the time of submission, i.e., September 16, 2013, midnight EST. If not, a check for \$30.00 for a regular membership for one year (\$35 for international) should be sent to the Treasurer of the SAEA by September 16, 2013. Paper proposals, where none of the co-authors is an SAEA member, will not be considered. No member may submit more than one proposal as senior or sole author.

There have been several papers withdrawn after acceptance and posting in the program in recent years. Moreover, several authors have failed to show to present their paper. Please, make sure you or your co-author will present accepted papers. Abstract of papers not presented will not be published on the SAEA website and papers will be withdrawn from AgEcon search.

Submission Guidelines: Proposals must be posted at <http://editorialexpress.com/conference/SAEA2014> no later than Friday, **September 16, 2013**. The website will be open for submissions after July 29, 2013. The proposal must include the name, affiliation, address, phone number, and E-mail address of all authors, the title of the paper, and the subject area(s). Proposals are limited to two pages in total length (in addition to the cover page) and should be single-spaced, using a 12 pitch font and cannot exceed 750 words limit. The submitting author is responsible for providing the accurate and complete information. Incomplete entries will not be considered.

Submission procedure:

1. go to the designated website; <http://editorialexpress.com/conference/SAEA2014>
2. click on "Submit an Abstract";
3. in the field "Area", click and select only one of the applicable areas. Note that Selected Poster and Organized Symposium categories are listed at the end of the list and are not to be entered for Selected Paper proposals;
4. **only PDF files** with Selected Paper proposals can be uploaded;
5. before you sign off, check:
 - that you spelled all names and affiliations correctly;
 - you included all names of co-authors and entered in the field "Authors, Affiliations..."
 - you selected "Area" designated for Selected Papers (not "Selected Poster" or "Organized Symposium").
6. The submission site closes at midnight, EST, September 16, 2013.

Selection, Presentation, and Publication: Acceptance decisions, based on evaluations by reviewers from among the SAEA membership, will be communicated to authors. If you would like to volunteer to be a Topic Leader or a Reviewer for one of the subject areas, please contact **Dr. Saleem Shaik**, North Dakota State University, Saleem.Shaik@ndsu.edu

SAEA requires the authors of an accepted paper to post an electronic version of the final paper at the *AgEcon Search* website by **Tuesday, January 17, 2014**. Final manuscripts should not exceed 20 pages in total length (including figures, tables, and references) and must be double spaced on 8.5" x 11" paper. Please see a recent issue of the *J. of Agric. and Appl. Econ.* (JAAE) for other format guidelines. Final versions of abstracts (50 words or less – abstracts exceeding the 50-word limit will not be posted) must be submitted by **Tuesday, January 14, 2014 to the Chair of the Selected Paper Committee** if the abstract is to be posted on the SAEA website. Only abstracts of selected papers submitted to the Agecon Search website will be posted on the SAEA website. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact **Dr. Saleem Shaik**, North Dakota State University, phone 701/231-7459, fax 701/231-7400, email Saleem.Shaik@ndsu.edu

Submission Format:

- I. Proposal format (No authors' names in proposal) - section titles
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|---------------|-----------------|---------------|
| a) Objectives | c) Data Methods | e) Discussion |
| b) Background | d) Results | |

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CALL FOR SELECTED POSTERS

The Southern Agricultural Economics Association (SAEA) is soliciting proposals for posters of maximum 750 words to be presented at the 2014 annual meeting to be held February 1-4, 2014 in Dallas, Texas.

Eligibility: Posters on all topics of agricultural and applied economics are welcome. Previously presented or published posters are ineligible. To submit a paper proposal, at least one author must be an SAEA member at the time of submission, i.e., September 16, 2013. If not, a check for \$30.00 for a regular membership for one year (\$35 for international) should be sent to the Treasurer of the SAEA by September 16, 2013. Paper proposals, where none of the co-authors is an SAEA member, will not be considered. No member may submit more than one proposal as senior or sole author.

Selection, Presentation, and Publication: Submissions will be judged on the following criteria:

- a) relevance to members of the Association;
- b) importance of the work;
- c) quality of the work;
- d) clarity of communication.

Authors of selected posters will be given information on poster preparation for presentation at the SAEA meeting. Presented posters will be judged and winners will be announced at the SAEA awards ceremony. Abstracts of selected posters will be published in the *Journal of Agricultural and Applied Economics*.

Submission information:

Poster proposal should be posted at <http://editorialexpress.com/conference/SAEA2014>. The website will be open for submissions after July 29, 2013. Questions can be directed to Selected Poster Session Chair: **Dr. Olga Murova**, Texas Tech University, Phone: 806-742-2132 ext 252 Fax: 806-742-1099; E-mail: olga.murova@ttu.edu Authors of the accepted selected posters must send the 50 word abstract of the poster, title and authors and their affiliations to Dr. Murova **no later than February 4, 2014** if they wish the abstract to be posted on the SAEA website.

A poster submission should include the following:

The title of the poster; the name and affiliation of each author along with the address, phone number, and E-mail of the corresponding author; an abstract of no more than 50 words (abstracts exceeding the word limit will not be posted on the SAEA website); and the subject matter and primary audience that most closely relate to the poster content.

A proposal of no more than two, single-spaced pages (max 750 words) and a font size of at least 12 points. In narrative form, include a) the problem statement and importance of work, b) data and methods, c) major results and implications, and d) references. The submitting author is responsible for entering accurate and complete information. Incomplete entries or misclassified entries will not be considered.

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2014 SAEA Annual Meetings

Mark your calendars now and plan to join us at the 2014 SAEA Annual Meetings to be held in Dallas, Texas, February 1 – 4, 2014.

What – SAEA Annual Meeting

Where – Sheraton Dallas Hotel, Dallas, Texas

When – February 1-4, 2014

Why – Opportunities to network and share your work.

Access the SAAS website at www.saasinc.org for more information about the 2014 meetings and the meeting site.

2013-2014 SAEA COMMITTEES

Much of the important work our association performs is done by the committees listed below. The SAEA Executive Committee on behalf of SAEA members would like to thank everyone serving on our committees. If you are interested in serving on one of our committees please contact Wes Harrison at rwharri@lsu.edu. Please note we are in need of members for Committees that do not have a member where the term expires in 2016.

Selected Papers Committee: Saleem Shaik, North Dakota State University, Osei Yeboah, NC A&T State (2014); Jon Biermacher, Noble Foundation (2015); Carlos Carpio, Texas Tech University (2016).

Lifetime Achievement Award Committee: Patricia Duffy (2014), Auburn University; Kerry Litzenberg (2015), Texas A&M University; Bill Herndon, Mississippi State University (2016).

SAEA Outstanding Extension Program Award Committee: Gordon Groover (2014), Virginia Tech; Larry Sanders (2015), Oklahoma State University; Matt Fannin (2016), Louisiana State University Agricultural Center.

SAEA Outstanding Teaching of a Course Award Committee: Bailey Norwood (2014), Oklahoma State University; John Park (2015), Texas A&M University; Forrest Stegelin (2016), University of Georgia.

Masters Thesis Award Committee: Valentina Hartarska (2014), Auburn University; Lurleen Walters (2015), Florida A&M University; John Riley (2016), Mississippi State University.

Ph.D. Dissertation Award Committee: Krishna Paudel (2014), Louisiana State University; Jose Lopez (2015), Texas A&M University, Commerce. L. Lanier Nalley (2016), University of Arkansas.

Poster Committee: Olga Murova (2014), Texas Tech University; Swagata “Ban” Banerjee (2015), Alabama A&M University; Jody Campiche (2016), Oklahoma State University.

Undergraduate Committee: Corey Miller, Mississippi State University, Chair; Lal Almas, West Texas A&M University; Glenn Ames, University of Georgia; Michael Best, Tennessee Tech University; Sierra Howry, Angelo State University; Joey Mehlhorn, University of Tennessee at Martin; Mohammed Ibrahim, Ft. Valley State University; Michelle Mullins-Santiago, Sam Houston State University, Lanier Nalley, University of Arkansas; Derrell Peel, Oklahoma State University; Mikael Sandberg, University of Florida; John Siebert, Texas A&M University; Robert Stark, University of Arkansas-Monticello; Kurt Stephenson, Virginia Tech

Nominating Committee: Past-President, Parr Rosson, Texas A&M University; President, R. Wes Harrison, Louisiana State University & LSU AgCenter; President-elect, Barry Barnett, Mississippi State University.

Social Planner for 2014 Meetings: Jeff Jordan, University of Georgia

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