The ad hoc committee of Board members joined Virginia Tech faculty and staff on a statewide tour of agricultural research and extension centers (ARECs) that commenced at the Blacksburg campus on February 25 and concluded in Blacksburg on February 28.

Open Session – February 25, 2019

Board Members Present: Greta Harris, Robert Mills

VPI & SU Staff: Mac Babb, Amy Brunner, Donald Conner, Joe Crane, Frank Della Pia, Thomas Dingus, Susan Duncan, Lindy Fimon, Beth Ford, Lance Franklin, Elaine Gall, Pascha Gerni, Mark Gess, Dan Goerlich, Patrick Haley, Patrick Hilt, Chuck Johnson, Chris Kiwus, Terri Leviner, Rob Mann, Andrew Marinik, Lisa Martin, Ray Meese, Liza Morris, Saied Mostaghimi, Mark Owczarski, Kyle Peer, Gabe Pent, Dwayne Pinkney, David Reed, Dave Schabdach, Victor Seaber, Susan Short, Kayla Smith, Julie Walters-Steele, Jay Sullivan, Rachel Van Sutphin, Teresa Thompson, Carol Wilkinson, Sherwood Wilson, Sarah Wray


Locations visited:

- 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. – Reynolds Homestead AREC
- 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. – Global Center for Automotive Performance Simulation
- 5:00 to 7:45 p.m. – Southern Piedmont AREC

At each location, participants received presentations on the activities occurring at the site, toured some of the facilities, and learned about the support needs of each off-campus team.
Open Session – February 26, 2019

Board Members Present: Greta Harris, Robert Mills, Horacio Valeiras

VPI & SU Staff: Mac Babb, Maria Balota, Lin Barrack, Mary Beahm, Ava Borden-Butler, Mike Broadus, Donald Conner, Joe Crane, Tommy Custis, Andrea Davis, Ursula Deitch, Jeff Derr, Susan Duncan, Scooter Dunaway, Debbie Estienne, Mark Estienne, Josh Fitzgerald, Roy Flanagan, Hunter Frame, Lance Franklin, Elaine Gall, Mark Gess, Dan Goerlich, Patrick Hilt, Rob Holtz, Josh Holland, Chuanxue Hong, Trent Jones, Chris Kiwus, Dave Langston, Michelle Lee, Robbie Longest, Rob Mann, Andrew Marinik, Ray Meese, Hillary Mehl, Liza Morris, Saied Mostaghimi, Joseph Oakes, Reza Ovissi, Mark Owczarski, Johnny Parker, Kyle Peer, Dwayne Pinkney, Theresa Pittman, Livvy Preisser, Mark Reiter, Steve Rideout, David Sample, Jayesh Samtani, Tim Sands, Dave Schabach, Michael Schwarz, Lauren Seltzer, Jonathan van Senten, Kayla Smith, Sally Taylor, Teresa Thompson, Gayle Terry, Mark Vaughn, Sherwood Wilson, Pam Worrell

Guests: Meade Amory, Lewis Everett, Lynn Gale, Mike Hildebrand, J.D. Hill, Butch Nottingham, Robert Pittman, Paul Rogers, Wilmer Stoneman, Kyle Sturgis, Bryan Taliaferro, Donnie Tuck, Craig Zeigler

Locations visited:

- 8:20 to 10:00 a.m. – Tidewater AREC
- 10:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. – Hampton Roads AREC
- 2:30 to 3:45 p.m. – Eastern Shore AREC
- 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. – Virginia Seafood AREC

At each location, participants received presentations on the activities occurring at the site, toured some of the facilities, and learned about the support needs of each off-campus team.

Open Session – February 27, 2019

Board Members Present: Greta Harris, Tish Long, Robert Mills, Chris Peterson, Horacio Valeiras

VPI & SU Staff: Shannon Andrea, Mac Babb, Cyril Clarke, Donald Conner, Joe Crane, Susan Duncan, Samuel Easterling, Michael Erskine, Lance Franklin, Elaine Gall, David Gerrard, Mark Gess, Adil Godrej, Dan Goerlich, Tait Golightly, Alan Grant, Stanley Grant, Patrick Hilt, Sally Johnson, Shelly Key, Chris Kiwus, Caroline Leeth, Rob Mann, Andrew Marinik, Steve McKnight, Vernon Meacham, Ray Meese, Tim Mize, Liza Morris, Saied Mostaghimi, Ed Nelson, Mark Owczarski, Sharon Peart, Dwayne Pinkney, Rita Rollison, Julie Ross, Dave Schabach, Kayla Smith, Teresa Thompson, Brenda Viera, Kerone Wetter, Robin White, Shannon Wilbur, Sherwood Wilson
**Guests:** Nina Fout, Meaghan Gallagher, J.D. Hill, Wilmer Stoneman

**Locations visited:**

- 8:30 to 9:40 a.m. – Eastern Virginia AREC
- 11:45 to 12:45 p.m. – Occoquan Watershed Monitoring Laboratory
- 2:45 to 4:15 p.m. – Middleburg AREC
- 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. – Marion DuPont Scott Equine Medical Center

At each location, participants received presentations on the activities occurring at the site, toured some of the facilities, and learned about the support needs of each off-campus team.

**Open Session – February 28, 2019**

**Board Members Present:** Greta Harris, Robert Mills, Horacio Valeiras.

**VPI & SU Staff:** Mac Babb, Chris Beard, John Benner, Chris Bergh, Matt Booher, Brian Brooks, Donald Conner, Joe Crane, Adam Downing, Susan Duncan, Lance Franklin, Elaine Gall, Mark Gess, Dan Goerlich, Alan Grant, Ann Harrell, Patrick Hilt, Amanda Kirby, Chris Kiwus, Rob Mann, Andrew Marinik, Ray Meese, Liza Morris, Saied Mostaghimi, Mizuho Nita, Mark Owczarski, Dave Schabdach, Avery Schaefer, Colby Sheets, Sherif Sherif, Susan Short, Kayla Smith, Mark Sutphin, Jane Swan, Adam Taylor, John Thompson, Teresa Thompson, Liz White, Sherwood Wilson, Tony Wolf, Lee Wright.

**Guests:** Doug Blount, Phill Glaize, J.D. Hill, Charlie Huppuch, Tom Kelly, Charles Law, Jill Loope, Mitch Mitchell, Wilmer Stoneman, Glenn Wilson

**Locations visited:**

- 8:35 to 10:20 a.m. – Alson H. Smith Jr. AREC
- 1:15 to 2:15 p.m. – Shenandoah Valley AREC
- 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. – Catawba Sustainability Center

At each location, participants received presentations on the activities occurring at the site, toured some of the facilities, and learned about the support needs of each off-campus team.

A summary of themes from the tour will be developed and shared with the Buildings and Grounds Committee during the April 1, 2019 meeting.

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