

United States Department of Agriculture

Research, Education, and Economics Agricultural Research Service

Meeting Agenda

Lincoln USDA-ARS Focus Group July 19, 2006

9:00 - 9:30	Registration and Coffee & Donuts
9:30 - 9:45	Introductions - Jim Schepers
9:45 - 10:00	USDA-ARS Mission & Importance of Focus Groups - W. Blackburn, Area Director, USDA-ARS
10:00 -10:15	USDA-ARS at Lincoln, NE. Organization, structure, and staffing - Ken Vogel
10:15 - 11:00	Grain, Forage, and Bioenergy Research Unit Wheat – Bob Graybosch Sorghum – Jeff Pedersen Forage & Bioenergy – Ken Vogel
11:00 - 11:45	Soil and Water Conservation Research Unit Livestock Wastes – Jeanette Thurston-Enriquez / Dan Miller Soil Management – Brian Wienhold Water Quality – John Shanahan
11:45 - 12:00	Midwest Livestock Insects Research Unit Livestock Pests – Dennis Berkebile
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch – East Campus Union
1:00 - 1:30	Univ. of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL) & USDA-ARS Interactions and Cooperative Programs – UNL Administrators and Department Heads
1:30 - 3:00	Facilitated open discussion on research programs and objectives
3:00 - 3:15	Lincoln Focus Group Organizational Meeting
3:15 - 3:30	Summary and Comments – W. Blackburn



