

**ECOP/ESCOP Joint Planning Committee**  
**Ft Lauderdale, FL**  
**5/10/01**  
**Minutes**

Attending: Ruth Wilson, Pat Sobrero, George Cooper, P. S. Benapal, Vernon Jones, Mike Chippendale, Bill Trumble, Myron Johnsrud, Lyla Hoaglan, Nancy Bull, Eric Young, Galdys Vaughn, LeRoy Daughtery, James Wade, Dick Frahm, Karl Narang, Sam Donald.

1. Partnership Workshop Action Items
  - a. The JPC has been charged with developing an action plan for two priority actions from the Partnership Meeting held in Baltimore, February 2001
    - i. Develop a shared vision for the partnership
    - ii. Establish a formal joint priority setting process
  - b. Shared vision
    - i. Should be for the areas where the partners overlap
    - ii. Include aspects of accountability for partnership activities
    - iii. Include budget aspects and programmatic aspects
    - iv. Should be primarily an operational vision aimed at how programmatic goals are accomplished.
  - c. Joint priority setting
    - i. Develop a process that would identify and move forward initiatives where partners overlap, but maintain each partners unique areas of priority also
    - ii. JPC will make recommendations for implementing a joint process and who should be involved in the implementation
  - d. Young and Bull will discuss approaches to this assignment at the ESCOP/ECOP Joint meeting in July 2001 in Minneapolis.
  - e. JPC will work on specific action items at its next meeting, October 3-5, 2001, Omaha, NE
2. Engagement Action Plan
  - a. In October, 2000 the JPC submitted a report "Strategies for Enhanced Engagement" to ECOP and ESCOP. The ESCOP and ECOP Executive Committees charged JPC to prepare a strategy to implement the recommendations in this report.
  - b. A draft was prepared for review by a JPC subcommittee (Trumble, Sobero, Chippendale and Frahm) that covers four aspects of implementation
    - i. Strengthening authentic partnerships with stakeholders
    - ii. Creating a culture for engagement
    - iii. Achieving funding for effective engagement
    - iv. Enhanced accountability
  - c. Sobrero will revise the draft action plan based on the JPC discussions and Young will draft a preamble to add to it
  - d. Final draft will be send to JPC for final review
  - e. Young and Bull will present action plan to the ESCOP/ECOP Joint meeting in July 2001 in Minneapolis.
3. JPC Charge / Roles / Responsibilities
  - a. A subcommittee of JPC (Wilson, Vaughn, Young) will develop a statement of the charge, roles and responsibilities of the JPC for review by the ESCOP/ECOP Executive Committees at their

July meeting.

- b. Vaughn will draft initial statement for subcommittee reaction and subsequent review by the JPC.
  - c. This statement will serve as the beginning for discussions on a joint vision and priority setting process.
4. JPC session in Baltimore
- a. The results of the long-range futuring activity on agricultural biotechnology will be shared with the Biotechnology Implementation Task Force, chaired by Tom Hoban, NCSU, who are charged with implementing the recommendations in the ESCOP/ECOP report on agricultural biotechnology.
5. JPC Website
- a. JPC has established a website to facilitate preparation of reports and also for external access to reports.
  - b. The URL is <http://www.escop.msstate.edu/joint-planning/joint-planning.htm> and it will be maintained by Anna Marie Rasberry in the SAAESD office at MS State.
  - c. For the near term, this site will be used primarily by JPC for communication within the committee. Future expansion of site capabilities and use will depend on a JPC member agreeing to coordinate its development. Volunteers will be gladly accepted!
6. The next meeting will be **October 3-5, 2001, Omaha, NE** and will focus on developing a shared vision statement and recommendations for a joint priority/initiative process.