

Southern Region Animal Waste Team Minutes
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Mark Risse opened the meeting shortly after 4:00 pm.

The initial agenda item was on the newsletter. Mark updated the group on the status and of plans for an on-line subscription service, which should be ready soon. Everyone was encouraged to submit articles on Extension-related events, research or other waste related activities.

We then discussed the other activities that we will attempt to address in 2006. We will work with the organizers of the 2006 National Poultry Waste Management symposium to develop some specific sessions or workshops. We will also work in an integrated systematic matter to coordinate activities with the newly established National Animal Agriculture Learning Center. Our final activity is to pursue funding through Region 4 and Region 6 EPA environmental education grants to create a series of publications/learning modules on poultry waste management. An initial draft proposal developed by John Worley was circulated and discussed. The group decided that we should incorporate a WebCT delivery mechanism into the proposal. Doug Hamilton was identified to lead efforts to submit a similar proposal through Region 6. Anyone that would like to participate in this proposal as a P.I. should send a letter of support to John Worley indicating that you will supply a module on some issue related to poultry waste management. Those that provide letters will have funding provided for travel and be listed as cooperators.

The final item of business was a discussion of innovative programs to deal with TMDL issues and CAFOs. Bill Hargrove from KSU has a number of watershed agents dealing with fecal coliform TMDLs attributed to feed lots located along a stream. Several individuals from a variety of states shared suggestions and similar concerns.

The meeting was adjourned shortly after 5:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Mark Risse