



NoCASCOE Directors' Meeting
September 26, 2017, 12:00 pm
Guilford County Cooperative Extension, Greensboro NC

I. Questions or Concerns from Members.

- a. FY 2016 ARS Workload
 - i. **Results:** NASCOE Officers spoke with Acting SED on 9/6/17 to address questions received about interpretation of data and how to better educate employees about purpose of ARS data. NoCASCOE has offered to work with NC STO personnel to create a training guide/user guide that addresses how to accurately record ARS data as well as which ARS programs and activities are the most beneficial to NC FSA.
- b. FY 2017 Spot & Extra Effort Awards
 - i. **Results:** NoCASCOE Officers spoke with Acting SED on 9/6/17 to address concerns about how recent awards were determined and categorized. The Acting SED reviewed the email sent to all employees on 8/21/17. In addition, NoCASCOE Officers inquired about notifications of awards in some cases not filtering to employee supervisors. The Acting SED noted that emails are sent to supervisors upon entry of awards by STO personnel. NoCASCOE has offered to work with NC STO personnel to create templates for spot & extra effort awards along with Performance Management, FSA Administrator and Association nominations.
- c. Cost of Security from the 2017 NoCASCOE State Convention
 - i. **Results:** NoCASCOE Officers spoke with Acting SED on 9/6/17 to address why the Association was responsible for this cost. The Acting SED stated that she has contacted EPD twice and was going to try one more time to get an answer in writing from EPD on why this cost is not covered by the National Office. But basically it has to do with the Convention NOT being an Agency meeting and thus EPD will not cover the expense associated with the security.
- d. How can NoCASCOE help other state associations with recent natural disasters
 - i. **Results:** NoCASCOE Officers spoke with Acting SED on 9/6/17 to address this question and whether we could use the government email to include state specific weblinks designed to provide assistance to residents from TX/FLA. It was decided that it would be best to just continue to advertise the Agency email from 8/31/17.