



Policy Council Spring Meeting Minutes

April 28, 2020

Location: By telephone

WELCOME -- Joanna Zablotzky Kufel and Sherri Dennis, IRAC Policy Council Co-chairs

S. Dennis welcomed J. Zablotzky Kufel as the new co-chair of the IRAC Policy Committee and thanked Janell Kause for all her contributions in that role.

Roll Call. Policy Council Representatives Present

EPA/OPP David Miller
FDA/CBER Richard Forshee
FDA/CFSAN Sherri Dennis, Karlyn Middleton
FDA/CVM Barry Hooberman
NOAA Jon Bell
USDA/ERS Sandra Hoffman
USDA/FSIS Joanna Zablotzky-Kufel
USDA/OCE/ORACBA Linda Abbott
USDA/AMS Shanker Reddy

REVIEW OF FY20 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

J. Zablotzky Kufel provided an overview of the accomplishments according to the FY20 plan. Numerous activities were conducted to successfully advance the three key overarching objectives: enhanced governance and operation of the IRAC, strengthen outreach and engagement, and facilitate information exchange and sharing tools, data, and models. There was a discussion of additional models to share and a suggestion to also begin capturing the influence of IRAC on research agendas within federal agencies.

DISCUSSION

There was a discussion of exploring enhanced engagement in current IRAC activities and seeking input for new activities. A small workgroup will be formed and a call for workgroup members will be issued.

The meeting was adjourned shortly before 2:30 pm.