

NATIONAL STATE DATA CENTER STEERING COMMITTEE

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SDC/BIDC Data Centers and Affiliates
Nationwide*

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We Bring Value-Added Census Data and Education to the User

State Data Center (SDC) Steering Committee Conference Call Tuesday, October 8, 2013 2:00 pm EST

Participants:

Steering Committee:	Customer Liaison and Marketing Services Office (CLMSO):	Special Guests from Census Bureau:	Census Information Centers (CIC) Liason:
Allen Barnes Amy Bittner Bob Coats Sue Copella Mary Craigle Todd Graham Cliff Holley Terry Jackson Charles Rynerson	No attendees (see notes)	None	Melanie Poulter

- The meeting started at 2:00 PM EDT
- CLMSO will not join us due to the federal government shutdown and furloughs.

General Topics

- Ten year ACS discussion. Since we have received the inquiry about a proposed 10-year ACS summary product we will forward it to the Census Bureau for consideration.
- Mary: We should document what we did during the shutdown and discuss at conference. Do we need to compile questions for the conference sessions? Bob responded that there was just one session for which the presenters asked for questions, and we have provided them already.
- Gustafson Award- Bob: we have two nominations. Allen, Sue and Pam Schenker will review the nominations.
- Amy: should we plan for future shutdowns by hosting more data on Clearinghouse?
- Mary: We still have limited administrative permissions on SDC SC clearinghouse website (hosted by Indiana University). Will publish list of useful non-federal available data links.
- Mary is looking for relevant photographs of SDC meetings and state conferences, etc.

- Allen: Looking for 2005- 2009 ACS 5-year micro data. Charles: It is at ipums.org

CIC Report, Melanie Poulter

- ACS stakeholder engagement plan is developing strategies for ACS forums. The ACS Users Group is to include SDC and CICs. Bob noted that the Census Bureau is not looking for criticism and feedback but rather a network of support, to identify users and usage of ACS data.
- Election Results: Momi Fernandez, Bruce Wade were reelected. Mark Holman (Sitting Bull College) was newly elected, but has served previously, and will administer the CIC Facebook page to strengthen communications.
- CIC Annual reports, 40 of 55 have been turned in. Some of the remaining CICs that did not turn in reports are not active.
- The training working group is looking at possible partnerships with non-profits and universities.
- Asked us how we handled election timing. Amy: our bylaws specify that installment of new members is to occur at the annual meeting.

Annual Meeting: Agenda Topics

- Todd: If the shutdown continues we should still plan to use the time slot for an SDC call.
- Bob recommended, and we all agreed, that if the conference is cancelled we will have a conference call Monday October 21 at 2 pm EDT.
- Bob ended the call thanking Cliff Holley for his service to the Steering Committee.
- The meeting ended at 2:45 PM EDT