

# NATIONAL STATE DATA CENTER STEERING COMMITTEE

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## State Data Center (SDC) Steering Committee Conference Call Tuesday, January 10, 2017 2:00 pm EST

**Participants:**

<b>Steering Committee (SC)</b>	<b>Customer Liaison and Marketing Services Office (CLMSO):</b>	<b>Special Guests from Census Bureau:</b>	<b>Census Information Centers (CIC) Liaison:</b>
Allen Barnes Gregg Bell Bob Coats Todd Graham Suzan Reagan Charles Rynerson Pam Schenker Dan Veroff	Lakiva Pullins Barbara LaFleur Toni Hall	None	None

The meeting started at 2:00 PM EST

- An email today from the Census Bureau has extended the period for soliciting nominations for the Census Bureau 2020 Advisory Committee to February 17<sup>th</sup>. But partnership people are not encouraged to join the committee. *[Note: Lakiva followed up stating that was not the case; SDC network members could be included on the committee.]*
- Bob: Lakiva mentioned a possible role for a partnership between SDCs, CICs, and FSCPE. It would be arranged by CLMSO, but they are looking at having someone who is not a Census Bureau staff person coordinate it.
- Todd: Let's ask CLMSO to elaborate on this.
- *[Regarding Mary Craigle's recent resignation from the Steering Committee due to a job change]* In the last election, Jenn Shultz from PA was the fourth place candidate *[first runner-up]*. If we fill Mary's position with Jenn *[per Steering Committee by-laws]* she will be removed from the current ballot. *[Note: After the call, Jenn accepted the appointment to fill Mary's position and was removed from the ballot.]*
- What will happen to the Clearinghouse site now that Amy Bittner and Mary Craigle are not on the Steering Committee?
- Todd: We made a decision two years ago to open the Clearinghouse to all leads.

Lakiva from CLMSO joined at 2:15 pm

### Miscellaneous Topics

- Lakiva: Travel [*to the February Steering Committee meeting*] has been a mess because we have a new system. We have had to create accounts for all of you, including a profile. Sam is working on this so that we can get IDs created.
- Bob: Mary Craigle might be a good representative of state government for the 2020 Advisory Committee.
- Lakiva: I think that would be a great idea. I'll probably need a bio.
- Lakiva: We have a new employee, Karen Haugen [Hó gən]. Karen started on December 27<sup>th</sup>. She is filling Terri's position, and she is new to the federal government.

### February Steering Committee Meeting and April Annual Conference

- Bob: Is the February Agenda solid? Are there meeting space problems?
- Lakiva: We have meeting space. The issue is hotels for the April conference. I don't know if this was in the Administrative letter, [*but for the February meeting*] we will meet Monday at the Bureau and Tuesday at the hotel.
- Charles: Yes, that was in the letter.
- Bob: I shared the letter from North Carolina on how the state uses ACS data. We sent it to Maria Olmedo Malagon, who will be on the agenda for the February meeting.
- Lakiva: Tori [*Victoria Velkoff, Chief, American Community Survey Office*] works with Maria, and she will be on the February agenda.
- Lakiva: The main focus of this [*February*] meeting is to plan for April.
- Pam: Communication is key. Can we train everyone on SharePoint? Should be do that in April?
- Lakiva: Barbara and Toni are working on everyone getting access to it by the end of this month. We will get back to you on the status.
- Pam: What happened to the 30 day DDS reports?
- Lakiva: I can explain that. They switched over to a new platform. The SharePoint site is a temporary fix until we can get the SDCs on CRM.
- Bob: Are we looking at training the network on SharePoint in April, or do we not want to train on something that is just a stopgap.
- Gregg: There is a value in getting people used to going to one place to share information, even if the platform will change.
- Bob: Are the R & Y videos that we saw in October public?

- Lakiva: Yes, they are on YouTube. [*Lakiva emailed the link to the Steering Committee.* <https://m.youtube.com/watch?list=PLhLB6X1ybzTSei5-DCgvsPsonAb7MCUu5&v=RmbizNCHQ30>].
- Lakiva: We will discuss the use of SharePoint in February. It is on the agenda. We will share a draft agenda by the end of the week.
- Charles: Is the date for April firm, the week of April 3<sup>rd</sup>?
- Lakiva: I think so. We are working on hotel accommodations.
- Todd suggests that we have presentations on applied uses of census data.
- Dan suggests that SDCs could share data dissemination tools, online tools, visualizations, round tables on running a state SDC network, etc.
- Bob will have a list of leads in order to run the election, and he will forward so that Dan can ask leads if they have something to present.
- Charles mentions that the FSCPE Steering Committee is meeting in DC Tuesday and Wednesday overlapping with our meeting. Can we meet with them?
- Lakiva says she will make dinner reservations for Tuesday.

The meeting ended at 3:05 pm EST.