

NATIONAL STATE DATA CENTER STEERING COMMITTEE

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

State Data Center Conference Call February 8, 2021

| State Data Center Steering Committee (SC) | Customer Liaison and Marketing Services Office (CLMSO): | Census Information Centers (CIC) SC: |
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| Bob Coats Gregg Bell Mary Craigle Erica Gardner Mallory Bateman Pam Schenker | Suzan Reagan Michael Moser Jennifer Shultz Katie Springer Al Sundara | Brittany Pritchett Barbara Lafleur Antoinette Hall Nelson Colon Termirah Brinkley Samantha Proctor |

Steering Committee elections

- Congratulations to Mike Moser for being reelected.
- Congratulations to Katie Springer (IN) and Al Sundara (MD) who are joining the committee.
- We are obligated by the by-laws to elect new officers – we can do that at the next meeting or during a Steering Committee meeting
- We will redesignate the tree state structure
- The changes to the by-laws were ratified and the revised by-laws are uploaded to the SDC Clearinghouse site. Thank you to the working group who reviewed and updated the by-laws.
- Thank you to Pam Schenker and Suzan Reagan for their service to the committee

Gustafson Award

- Steve Romalewski with the Center for Urban Research (an affiliate of the NY SDC) was chosen to receive this year's award for his work on the Census Hard to Count 2020 map

Collecting information on Census 2020 promotion efforts

- The Steering Committee will be forming a "2020 Census Assessment" group. This group will collect information from the SDCs - basically documenting experiences, highlighting what worked/what didn't, and offering suggestions for improvements in 2030. This is a great opportunity to involve the entire network. The Steering Committee has discussed creating a working group to coordinate this task and opening it to the network at the Annual Meeting. THANKS to Katie for volunteering to be on this group
- Begin forming group at the annual meeting
- Also form a working group to discuss developing data visualizations that state's can use when Census 2020 data is released

Discussion of FSCPE DP Letter and Joint Signature

- FSCPE has drafted a letter regarding Differential Privacy
 - They are open to a joint letter with CIC and SDC networks
 - Gregg suggested we write our own letter – we can join later if they are very similar.
 - Steering Committee will draft a letter and share with the network. Gregg will share a first draft.

Departure of Stephen Buckner and organizational changes at CLMSO/DUB

- Census staff does not see changes to the structure or partnership networks
- Brittany Pritchett will be leaving effective Friday, February 12th. Thanks to her for her hard work.

Status of SDC Annual/Steering Committee Meetings

- We provided content for the Annual/Steering committee meetings. We reviewed it to determine what could be presented as a webinar. No webinar topics or dates have been formalized.
- Proposed dates and agenda have been developed and are being reviewed internally at Census.
- Steering Committee can meet in March to discuss Annual meeting agenda and webinars.
- We can work on officer elections on a separate call. Survey Monkey was used for nominations and voting for Steering Committee officers. Have nominations available by the end of the month and hold the election in the 1st week of March. We will then need to assign tree states.
- There is time on the agenda for SDC and CIC peer presentations.

2020 Census data product release update

- Mark Perry shared that there are no updates on Census 2020 Data Products other than the Apportionment and Redistricting file releases.

Update on CQR operation dates in response to recent release schedule changes

- The program will begin October 1, 2021 and will end June 30, 2023

Update on DP/DAS e-budget or other decisions

- When will the decisions on e-budget be made – this will first impact the Redistricting data?
 - The Apportionment counts will be released by April 30, 2021.
 - The Redistricting data will not be released before July 31, 2021. Redistricting geographic data files are available.
- When will the next microdata file will be released – Census Bureau staff will check on this.

Proposed MSA/Urban criteria changes

- Barb will ask Mike Ratcliff

New member outreach

Call adjourned at 4:00 pm