Thursday, January 25, 2018, 4:00 pm

309 ACES Library

**ALUFS Meeting Minutes**

Present: Bruce Branham, Reid Christianson, Adriana Noboa, Joseph Edwards, Colleen Williams

I. Best Management Practices Recommendation

 A. Plan, Rationale

 1. Can’t impose anything; rather, propose a way to get representation from Crop Science, Animal

 Science to volunteer to talk about how to make land use more sustainable

 2. Eventually, individual decisions, compromises would be made on which BMPs are most feasible

 B. Timing

 1. Growing season would be difficult to get people from farm operations together (would be nice to

 have farm managers in the same place discussing)

 a. Would not be difficult to get SWATeam members to attend

 2. Either before planting, or in November/December would be best

 C. GHG emissions

 1. Question: is it possible to calculate reduction in GHG emissions due to cover crops?- yes, as well as

 fertilizer application rates

II. Parking Recommendations

 A. Brent wrote suggested standards for parking lots

 1. 20:1 ratio of parking spots to trees; supposedly cheaper than other refitting projects

 a. cost would be lower if part of a larger renovation project instead of one on its own

 2. Should specify surface lots, not garages

III. Nitrate Monitoring

 1. Next cycle for SSC educational projects funding? Joe will check for funding cycle

 a. With Water SWATeam, think of student projects and funding sources

IV. Another goal for the semester: food-related recommendation

 1. Adriana will prepare a quick summary for next meeting on food waste study

 2. Dining already does projects ALUFS would think of, new ideas still welcome

 a. Biodigestor is something still in mind with Dining

Next meeting: Thursdays at 4 pm, every three weeks works for members