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Proposed 2020 Policy Forum Outline

Kearney Holiday Inn

November 19, 2020

In the world of COVID-19 and with the goal of increasing grassroots involvement in our Policy Development process, Policy Forum will be offered as an online/virtual option via zoom. Our plans are to meet in person (if allowed by local health department guidelines) at the Kearney Holiday Inn from 7:45 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on November 19, 2020.

During the structured forum, members will have the opportunity to provide comments on resolutions that have been submitted by County Farm Bureaus. Comments from each individual will be limited to 3 minutes per issue/resolution, not including questions from the SLPC subcommittee. Members participating via zoom will have the same opportunity to comment by asking to be recognized and will be under the same 3-minute time limit. There will not be a straw poll taken. When there are no additional comments on the issue/resolution, the chair of the subcommittee will move on to the next issue/resolution.

Each subcommittee will be holding their forum independently and the schedule will be as follows:

7:15 a.m.	Registration
7:45 a.m.	Opening Session and Welcome
8:00 a.m. – 10:00a.m.	Ag Issues Subcommittee
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Education Subcommittee
12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Tax & Business Subcommittee
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Natural Resources Subcommittee

*Each committee can start sooner if the previous committee does not use the two-hour time window.

Resolution packets will be available for download by Nov. 16 to give everyone ample time to review prior to the Policy Forum.

It will be the responsibility of everyone participating remotely to have the appropriate technology i.e. internet and hardware quality to successfully connect to the meeting. There will be options to call in to listen only mode, however this option will not have the opportunity to comment on issues.

If anyone has technical difficulties, we will have a dedicated phone number to call for help.