agInnovation NC (agNC) Fall Business Meeting (#235)

Tuesday, September 22, 2026, 9 am to 12 noon MT

Grand Junction Convention Center, Room: Escalante

Agenda (Meeting Notes Here)

Time	Item #	Topic	Presenter(s)	Action Requested
9:00 am	1.0	Welcome and Introductions	Derek McLean, agNC Chair 2026	Attendees will briefly introduce themselves to the group (role, institution, etc.)
9:10 am	2.0	agNC Office Budget Update/Overview	Jeanette Thurston, Chris Hamilton	For information/discussion
9:20 am	3.0	Follow up to 2026 agNC-NCCEA Joint Spring Meeting: Upcoming NCCEA/agNC Joint Fall Meeting Discussion and Overview	Derek, Jeanette	For information/discussion
9:40 am	4.0	NCFAR and DC Visits Update	Jeanette	For information/discussion
9:50 am	5.0	ARS Report and Discussions (via Zoom)	Larry Chandler, Rosalind James	For information/discussion
10:30 am	*Break*			
10:45 am	6.0	Updated agInnovation Guidelines for Multistate Research Vote on 9/24	Chris	For information
10:50 am	7.0	Any further conversation on agInnovation Budget prior to voting? Other Business/Open Sharing/Discussion	All	For information/discussion
11:40 am	8.0	Reading of the Resolution(s)	Jeanette	For appreciation/celebration
11:50 am	9.0	Changing of the Guard: agNC Chair Role Transitions from Derek to Ron	Derek	For information, appreciation, and celebration
12 noon	*Adjourn*			

Future Meetings:

- agNC/NCCEA Joint Fall Meeting, October 7-9, 2026, Hampton Inn By Hilton & Suites Country Club Plaza, Kansas City, MO.
- APLU Annual Meeting, November 15-17, San Antonio, Texas. Register now!
- CARET/BAA Washington Conference, March 1-4, 2027, Washington Hilton, 1919 Connecticut Ave NW, Washington, DC. Registration is coming soon.
- agNC Spring Meeting, April 5-7, 2027. Hosted by UNL. Location TBA.
- North Central Mini Land-grant Meeting, Madison, WI, Summer 2027, TBA.
- Fall agInnovation Meeting 2027, September 27-30, Kimpton Hotel Monaco, Philadelphia, PA. More details to come.

agNC Fall 2026 Meeting Notes

agNC Fall Meeting attendees: Tala Awada (UNL), Kang Xia (MSU), Jane Schuh (KSU), Heather White (UW Madison), Derek McLean (USU, formerly of UNL), Frank Casey (NDSU), Greg Cuomo (UMN), Rod Johnson (Univ IL), John Blanton (SDSU), Asheesh "Danny" Singh (IA State), Chad Cotti (Zoom, MSU), Lingying Zhao (Zoom and in person, OSU), Jeanette Thurston (agNC), Chris Hamilton (agNC).

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Meeting Topics:

Item 2.0: Regional Budget & Awards

- **Regional Budget:** Chris and Jeanette reviewed the FY2026 close-out of our office budget as presented above. Everything is in order and we have about a $50,000 carryover into FY2027, since we did not spend all our allocated funds. FY2027 received a 3% assessment increase, but on the sheet, FY28 and 29 show a proposed 5% assessment increase. We will discuss the FY28 budget at a later date and decide on any salary and state assessment amounts.
- **Engagement and Accessibility Award:** The group agreed to send the award back to the Nominations and Awards Committee (NAC) to broaden criteria toward research/stakeholder engagement, citizen science, and community impact rather than narrow definitions.

Item 3.0: Follow up to 2026 agNC-NCCEA Joint Spring Meeting: Upcoming NCCEA/agNC Joint Fall Meeting Discussion and Overview (Derek/Jeanette):

- **Joint Fall Meeting:** Scheduled for **October 7–8** in Kansas City with NC Extension leadership (NCCEA).
- **Task Force Input:** Leveraging a collaborative Figma board, the task force is defining:
  1. Priority regional research & extension goals for sustainable agriculture.
  2. Quantitative metrics to measure progress.
  3. Necessary resources and capacity support.

Item 4.0: NCFAR and DC Visits (Jeanette):

- **Summary:** Jeanette will represent the NC region at the National Coalition for Food and Agricultural Research (NCFAR) fly-in next week.
- agInnovation North Central maintains a $500 membership.
- Key Messaging: Directors strongly supported advocating for FFAR (Foundation for Food & Agriculture Research) funding ($200M in Senate Farm Bill draft) and capacity funding using multi-state success stories and local impact metrics.
- **Talking Points:** Members will send Jeanette bullet points on their state's research impact, tied to federal funding.
- **Meetings:** Jeanette will meet with the Office of the Chief Scientist (Rich Dirksen) and the American Meat Science Association (Christy Calhoun).

Item 5.0: ARS Report and Discussions (Larry Chandler, Rosalind James, with Q&A from agNC members)

ARS Reorganization

- **Summary:** ARS is shifting from a regional to a national, subject-matter structure, effective Oct 1.
- **New Structure:**
    - **Animal Science:** Fort Collins, CO (Larry Chandler)
    - **Land Utilization:** Peoria, IL (Rosalind James)
    - **Plant Science:** Stoneville, MS (Tara McHugh)
    - **Post-Production:** Albany, CA
- **Impact on Universities:**
    - Universities will now interact with multiple ARS Research Offices (ROs) based on scientific discipline.
    - This change aims to improve scientific alignment but will require building new administrative relationships.
    - The transition is ongoing, and patience is requested.

AgTech Proving Grounds (MPG):

- **Summary:** ARS/NIFA-funded effort (project management led by Grand Farm) focused on third-party, unbiased testing of emerging ag-tech (e.g., robotics, weed efficacy) at land-grant research and extension centers.
- **Context:**
    - The initiative is led by ARS ($10M funding) with NIFA administering RFPs.
    - The first year focuses on weed control at sites in North Dakota and Georgia.
    - Directors expressed strong interest in clarifying how land-grant institutions and multi-state projects can participate, how non-discovery/applied testing benefits young faculty promotion/tenure, and how intellectual property (IP) and funding streams operate.
- **Action:** The NC group will request a briefing from ARS leadership (Steve Mirsky, William Matterholt) to clarify the program's structure, funding, and opportunities for land-grant involvement.

Item 6.0: National Multistate Research Guidelines Vote Reminder (Chris Hamilton, information for 9/24/2026 vote):

- **Summary:** Updated guidelines simplify the review process and improve reporting clarity.
- **Key Changes:**
    - **Review Forms:** Reduced from 7–8 to 3 (Research Projects, CCS/ERAs, Midterm).
    - **Reporting:** Emphasizes multi-state collaboration and removes character limits.
    - Guidelines now match current agInnovation identity/branding and how we actually do things.
- **Action to come:** The group will vote to approve the guidelines at the national meeting on Thursday.

- **Compliance Reminders:**
    - The group discussed UAS/drone-related compliance issues, noting that project titles, objectives, photos, and website content may need to be reviewed carefully to avoid triggering federal review concerns. Chris indicated that previously, they reviewed NIMSS project titles and objectives for the terms but since have been told that entire projects may be reviewed for the "no-no" terms. Currently, Chris is reminding renewal projects to avoid the terms, but as requested, she will reach out to all NC AAs with a reminder on UAS policy and terms to avoid.
    - They also discussed OMB and current-and-pending reporting questions for capacity-funded PIs, with concern that adding capacity support could complicate disclosures and create time-commitment issues; no final policy was reached, and the topic remains under review.

Item 7.0: agInnovation National Budget Discussion (Jeanette/All: for agInnovation business meeting vote on 9/24/2026):

- **Concern:** The proposed national budget doubles to ~$250k, spending down all reserves. The NC region will advocate for a more detailed, multi-year plan with clear metrics before voting.
- **Context:**
    - The budget was shared with the Finance Committee with only a few hours for review, preventing robust discussion.
    - The NC and Southern regions sent a joint letter requesting more detail and accountability.
    - The budget treats reserves as annual income, which is unsustainable.
- **Proposed Solution:**
    - Send the budget back to the Finance Committee for a more thorough review.
    - Request a budget with recurring vs. non-recurring line items to prevent one-time initiatives from becoming permanent expenses.
    - Develop a framework for chair initiatives to ensure they align with a long-term roadmap.

Item 8.0: Reading of the Resolution(s) (Jeanette):

LAND-GRANT UNIVERSITY RESEARCH
agInnovation
NORTH CENTRAL

September 22, 2026

Whereas Derek McLean, PhD, now Janet Q. Lawson Endowed Dean and Director of the S.J. & Jessie E. Quinney College of Agriculture and Natural Resources at Utah State University, brought exceptional thoughtfulness, sound judgment, and a collaborative spirit to agInnovation North Central (agNC), strengthening our region through his leadership, collegiality, and commitment to our shared mission before carrying those talents westward to his new leadership role;

Whereas Dr. McLean earned her BS degree in Mathematical Sciences and MS in Animal Physiology at Clemson University, and PhD in Animal Science at Oregon State University,

Whereas Dr. McLean has built a distinguished career spanning academia, industry, federal service, and university leadership, beginning at Washington State University as a postdoctoral fellow and advancing through the faculty ranks to Associate Professor; continuing at Phibro Animal Health Corporation, where he rose from Director of Research for Nutritional Specialty

Products to Senior Director of Collaborative Research; and later serving at the National Institutes of Health as a Health Science Administrator, Senior Scientific Advisor, and Scientific Review Officer within the Office of AIDS Research, Office of the Director, and the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development; before returning to higher education as Dean and Director of the Agricultural Research Division and Agricultural Experiment Station within the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources at the University of Nebraska–Lincoln, where he served for three years prior to assuming his current leadership role at Utah State University;

Whereas, Dr. McLean has distinguished himself as an accomplished scientist and research leader, advancing basic and applied research in animal and biomedical sciences and building interdisciplinary research programs and partnerships that address complex challenges in agriculture, food systems, natural resources, and human health;

Whereas Dr. McLean's leadership contributed to research expenditure growth of 6-7% per year and 10-11% sponsored award growth in UNL's Agricultural Research Division,

Whereas, Dr. McLean has demonstrated a longstanding commitment to teaching, mentorship, and the development of future scientists and leaders, earning recognition for excellence in university teaching and creating educational, experiential learning, and mentoring opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students and emerging scholars;

Whereas, Dr. McLean has provided significant leadership and service to the North Central Region and the national Land-grant system, including serving as Chair of agInnovation North Central, where he expanded new and strengthened existing partnerships with key stakeholders; Chair of the Multistate Research Committee; and a member of the agInnovation Budget and Legislative Committee;

Whereas, Dr. McLean has provided visionary leadership for the Land-grant research enterprise, fostering interdisciplinary collaboration, strengthening partnerships with government, industry, commodity groups, and other stakeholders, and advancing research, innovation, education, and public value at institutional, state, regional, and national levels, including through his energetic leadership of key University of Nebraska–Lincoln initiatives such as *The Nebraska Difference*, *Sustaining Research and Outreach at Research, Extension and Education Centers*, the *Nebraska Digital Agriculture Database*, and *Innovate Nebraska*;

Whereas, Derek will be deeply missed not only for his leadership and contributions, but for the compassion, kindness, and genuine care he has shown for colleagues and all those with whom he works; and while we will greatly miss his presence in the North Central Region, we are thrilled for him as he begins this new chapter at Utah State University;

Now, therefore, be resolved that on this day of September 22, 2006, agNC members extend their sincere gratitude for his friendship and invaluable leadership contributions to the North Central Region, and,

Be it further resolved that an original copy of this resolution be provided to Dr. McLean and that a copy be filed as part of the official minutes of this meeting.

Finally, led by Derek and Jeanette, the group recognized agNC Assistant Director for going into 20 years in her role!

Meeting adjourned at approximately 12 noon MT.

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Consent Brief(s): FYI Only

agInnovation North Central Officers and Standing Committees

(Link to Rules of Operation for committee descriptions)

Federal Fiscal Year (10/1 to 9/30): 2027

Last Updated: 9/9/2026

agInnovation North Central Officers (normal term length: 1 year)

Position	*Name*	*Email*	*State*	*Start Date*	*End Date*
Past Chair	Shibu Jose	joses@missouri.edu	MO	10/1/2025	9/30/2027
Chair	Ron Turco	rturco@purdue.edu	IN	10/1/2026	9/30/2027

agInnovation North Central Executive Committee (EC; normal term length: 3 years)

Position	*Name*	*Email*	*State*	*Start Date*	*End Date*
Past Chair	Shibu Jose	joses@missouri.edu	MO	10/1/2025	9/30/2027
Chair	Ron Turco	rturco@purdue.edu	IN	10/1/2026	9/30/2027
Chair Elect	Tala Awada	tawada@unl.edu	NE	10/1/2026	9/30/2027
MRC Chair	Tala Awada	tawada@unl.edu	NE	10/1/2026	9/30/2027
Member	Jamie Strange	strange.54@osu.edu	OH	9/1/2026	TBD
Executive Vice Chair	Jeanette Thurston	jthurston@ksu.edu	agInnovation North Central/KS	1/1/2023	NA

agInnovation North Central Multistate Research Committee (MRC; term length is 3 years as member + 1 year as chair)

Position	*Name*	*Email*	*State*	*Start Date*	*End Date*
MRC Chair	Tala Awada	tawada@unl.edu	NE	6/1/2023	9/30/2027
Member	Jane Schuh	jmschuh@ksu.edu	KS	10/1/2024	9/30/2028
Member	Danny Singh	singhak@iastate.edu	IA	10/1/2025	9/30/2029
Member	Kang Xia	xiakang@msu.edu	MI	10/1/2026	9/30/2030
Member	Frank Casey	francis.casey@ndsu.edu	ND	10/1/2026	9/30/2031
Ex-Officio (ED)	Jeanette Thurston	jthurston@ksu.edu	agInnovation North Central/KS	1/1/2023	NA
Ex-Officio (AD)	Christina Hamilton	chamilton@wisc.edu	agInnovation North Central/WI	8/1/2007	NA

Nominations and Awards Committee (NAC; normal term length: 3 years total, 2 of which are as chair)

Position	*Name*	*Email*	*State*	*Start Date*	*End Date*
Chair	Héctor Santiago	hsantiago@unl.edu	NE	10/1/2024	9/30/2027
Member	James Averill	averillj@msu.edu	MI	4/1/2024	9/30/2027
Member	Lingying Zhao	zhao.119@osu.edu	OH	4/1/2024	9/30/2027
Ex-Officio (ED)	Jeanette Thurston	jthurston@ksu.edu	agInnovation North Central/KS	1/1/2023	NA
Ex-Officio (AD)	Christina Hamilton	chamilton@wisc.edu	agInnovation North Central/WI	8/1/2007	NA

National Committee Appointments

BAA (Board on Ag Assembly)/PBD (Policy Board of Directors) CLP (Committee on Legislation and Policy)

Position	*Name*	*Email*	*State*	*Start Date*	*End Date*
agInnovation PBD Representative	Shibu Jose	joses@missouri.edu	MO	6/1/2023	TBD

Ex-Officio (ED)	Jeanette Thurston	jthurston@ksu.edu	agInnovation North Central/KS	10/1/2022	9/30/2026

agInnovation NRSP Review Committee (NRSP-RC; 4-year term) https://escop.info/committee/nrsp-rc/

Position	*Name*	*Email*	*State*	*Start Date*	*End Date*
agInnovation North Central Member	John Blanton	john.blanton@sdstate.edu	SD	10/1/2024	9/30/2028

agInnovation Executive Committee https://escop.info/committee/executive-committee/

Position	*Name*	*Email*	*State*	*Start Date*	*End Date*
Regional Chair/Rep	Ron Turco	rturco@purdue.edu	IN	10/1/2026	9/30/2027
Perm. Alternate (ED)	Jeanette Thurston	jthurston@ksu.edu	agInnovation North Central/KS	1/1/2023	NA

agInnovation Chair's Advisory Committee (CAC) https://escop.info/committee/cac/

Position	*Name*	*Email*	*State*	*Start Date*	*End Date*
Regional Chair/Rep	Ron Turco	rturco@purdue.edu	IN	10/1/2026	9/30/2027
Perm. Alternate (ED)	Jeanette Thurston	jthurston@ksu.edu	agInnovation North Central/KS	1/1/2023	NA

agInnovation Budget and Legislative Committee (BLC) https://escop.info/committee/blc/

Position	*Name*	*Email*	*State*	*Start Date*	*End Date*
agInnovation North Central Member/BLC Chair FFY27-29	Shibu Jose	joses@missouri.edu	MO	2025	TBD
agInnovation North Central Member	Rod Johnson	rwjohn@illinois.edu	IL	2026	TBD
Perm. Alternate (ED)/Executive Vice-Chair	Jeanette Thurston	jthurston@ksu.edu	agInnovation North Central/KS	1/1/2023	NA
Assistant Executive Vice Chair	Chris Hamilton	chamilton@wisc.edu	agInnovation North Central/WI	1/1/2025	TBD

agInnovation Science and Technology Committee (STC) https://escop.info/committee/stc/

Position	*Name*	*Email*	*State*	*Start Date*	*End Date*
agInnovation North Central Member	Frank Casey	francis.casey@ndsu.edu	ND	2021	TBD
agInnovation North Central Member	John Blanton	john.blanton@sdstate.edu	SD	2025	TBD

agInnovation Science and Technology Committee Social Science Subcommittee (SSSc), NC Members https://escop.info/committee/social-sciences-subcommittee-sssc/

Position	*Name*	*Email*	*State*	*Start Date*	*End Date*
Agricultural Communication	Emily Buck	buck.210@osu.edu	OH		TBD
Agricultural Education	Mike Retallick	msr@iastate.edu	IA		TBD
Agricultural Education (Member at Large)	Neil Knobloch	nknobloc@purdue.edu	IN		TBD
Co-Executive Vice Chair	Jeanette Thurston	jthurston@ksu.edu	agInnovation North Central/KS	1/1/2023	NA
Assistant Executive Vice Chair	Christina Hamilton	chamilton@wisc.edu	agInnovation North Central/WI	1/1/2023	NA

agInnovation NRSP1 Management Committee https://escop.info/committee/nrsp-1-management-committee/

Position	*Name*	*Email*	*State*	*Start Date*	*End Date*
Lead AA/Perm Alternate	Jeanette Thurston	jthurston@ksu.edu	agInnovation North Central/KS	2023	TBD
agInnovation North Central Member/Chair	Christina Hamilton	chamilton@wisc.edu	agInnovation North Central/WI	2014	9/30/2027

agInnovation Nonprofit 501(c)(3) https://escop.info/committee/nonprofit/

Position	*Name*	*Email*	*State*	*Start Date*	*End Date*
Regional Member	Kang Xia	xiajkang@msu.edu	MI	8/1/2026	TBD
Sustaining Member (ED)	Jeanette Thurston	jthurston@ksu.edu	agInnovation North Central/KS		NA

agInnovation Finance Committee https://escop.info/committee/finance-committee/

Position	*Name*	*Email*	*State*	*Start Date*	*End Date*
Regional Member	Asheesh "Danny" Singh	singhak@iastate.edu	IA	8/26/2026	TBD
Perm Alternate (ED)	Jeanette Thurston	jthurston@ksu.edu	agInnovation North Central/KS	1/1/2023	NA

agInnovation National Plant Germplasm Coordinating Committee (NPGCC)
https://escop.info/committee/national-plat-germplasm-coordinating-committee-npgcc/

Position	*Name*	*Email*	*State*	*Start Date*	*End Date*
agInnovation North Central Member	Danny Singh	singhak@iastate.edu	IA	2025	TBD

Other Appointments

North Central Rural Development Board (4-year term)

Position	*Name*	*Email*	*State*	*Start Date*	*End Date*
Purdue Rep (perm)	Ron Turco	rturco@purdue.edu	IN	2023	NA
AES Rep	Mary Emery	memery2@unl.edu	NE	2022	2026

North Central Regional Aquaculture Center Board of Directors (agInnovation North Central)

Position	*Name*	*Email*	*State*	*Start Date*	*End Date*
agInnovation North Central Member	Danny Singh	singhak@iastate.edu	IA	2025	TBD
agInnovation North Central Member (ED)	Jeanette Thurston	jthurston@ksu.edu	agInnovation North Central/KS	2023	TBD

FFAR (Foundation for Food and Agricultural Research Board)

Position	*Name*	*Email*	*State*	*Start Date*	*End Date*
Member	Doug Buhler	buhler@msu.edu	MI	2014	TBD

North Central IPM Center – Steering Committee

Position	*Name*	*Email*	*State*	*Start Date*	*End Date*
Member	Danny Singh	singhak@iastate.edu	IA	2025	TBD
Member	Jeanette Thurston	jthurston@ksu.edu	agInnovation North Central/KS	2023	TBD
Member	Marty Draper	maddr@ksu.edu	KS	2022	TBD

U.S. Wheat & Barley Scab Initiative (USWBSI) - Steering Committee (4-year term, renewable)

Position	*Name*	*Email*	*State*	*Start Date*	*End Date*
Member	Frank Casey	francis.casey@ndsu.edu	ND	2026	2030

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Item 2.0: agNC Office Budget Update/Overview

Presenters: Jeanette Thurston, Chris Hamilton

agNC FY2026 (7/1/2025 to 6/30/2026) Working Budget with Approved FY2027 (7/1/2026-6/30/2027)

INCOME		Approved 3/2024		Approved 3/2026		
	FY2025	FY2026		FY2027	FY2028	FY2029
State Assessments	483,849	*508,041*	*508,041*	*523,283*	*549,447*	*576,919*
Available Reserves (KSU)	*244,011*	*78,328*	*78,328*	*54,256*	*53,927*	*55,132*
TOTAL INCOME	***$ 727,860***	***$ 586,370***	***$ 586,370***	***$ 577,539***	***$ 603,374***	***$ 632,052***
EXPENSE						
	FY2025	FY2026		FY2027	FY2028	FY2029
Description	**Final**	**Budget**	**Final**	**Budget**	**Budget**	**Budget**
agNC						
Regional Initiatives****	132,236	53,802	44,589	3,400	4,600	4,600
Discretionary Fund		5,000	2,327	5,000	5,000	5,000
NCRA Subtotal	***$ 132,236***	***$ 58,802***	***$ 46,916***	***$ 8,400***	***$ 9,600***	***$ 9,600***
KANSAS STATE						
Executive Director Salary*	225,822	*232,209*	235,333	*239,304*	*251,269*	*263,833*
Fringe**	51,112	*55,730*	52,984	*57,433*	*60,305*	*63,320*
Office Operating/Supplies	3,358	*1,000*	456	*500*	*500*	*500*
Travel	36,333	*25,000*	19,047	*25,000*	*25,000*	*25,000*
Training	8,500	-	-	-	-	-
KSU Overhead (support staff salary/fringe)	7,769	*8,000*	8,201	*8,000*	*8,000*	*8,000*
KSU Subtotal	***$ 332,894***	***$ 321,940***	***$ 316,021***	***$ 330,237***	***$ 345,074***	***$ 360,652***
U of WISCONSIN						
Assistant Director Salary*	104,153	*109,821*	109,110	*113,115*	*118,771*	*124,709*
Fringe***	45,071	*48,321*	38,229	*47,508*	*49,884*	*52,378*
Office Operating/Supplies	1,842	*1,500*	813	*1,500*	*1,500*	*1,500*
Travel	6,779	*10,000*	6,161	*10,000*	*10,000*	*10,000*
Training	850	*750*	980	*750*	*750*	*750*
Meeting Support	-	-	-	-	-	-
UW Admin Fees (5% CALS, 7% Central UW)	12,999	*11,927*	13,884	*12,101*	*12,663*	*13,254*
UW Subtotal	***$ 171,695***	***$ 182,319***	***$ 169,177***	***$ 184,975***	***$ 193,568***	***$ 202,591***
TOTAL EXPENSE	***$ 636,825***	***$ 563,061***	***$ 532,114***	***$ 523,612***	***$ 548,242***	***$ 572,844***
AVAILABLE RESOURCES	***$ 91,035***	***$ 23,309***	***$ 54,256***	***$ 53,927***	***$ 55,132***	***$ 59,208***
Estimated Percent carryover (5% of total income was approved by agNC)				9%	9%	9%
SUM of agNC Annual Income and Expenses--are we "living within our means"? (carry over not considered)				**$ (329)**	**$ 1,205**	**$ 4,076**

*Overhead for KSU support staff salary and fringe (no indirects).

**Per Gina, using 24% estimated KSU fringe rate for 2026 and beyond.

***UW fringe is actual and includes monthly UW term leave fee. Estimated for budgeting at 42%, effective CY2025.

****NC Emerging Issues Award $150,000 was carried forward for the FY23 winner and remainder carried over again into FY25. Starting FY26, this includes also regional awards ($3600; all but plaque costs are credited to host state assessment invoices.)

agNC Accounts at KSU and UW

ED Account at KSU	FY25	FY26	FY27
KSU Starting Balance* (w/o $75K reserve)	244,011	78,328	*36,835*
KSU Assessment Income	483,849	508,041	*523,283*
KSU Budgeted Expenses (actuals for FY25, 26)	465,130	362,936	338,637
KSU Budgeted Expenses + UW invoice	649,532	549,535	*tbd*
Estimated KSU Ending Balance/Carryover	*75,372*	*36,835*	*tbd*
Actual KSU Ending Balance/Carryover	*78,328*	*36,835*	*tbd*

AD Account at UW	FY25	FY26	FY27
UW Starting Balance (w/o $35,000 reserve)	3,596	16,303	*28,725*
UW Expenses	171,695	169,177	*184,975*
UW Ending Balance/Carryover to Next FY	*16,303*	*33,725*	*tbd*
*Estimated UW Invoice to MSU/KSU***	*184,402*	*182,319*	*193,568*
Actual UW Invoice to MSU/KSU	*184,402*	*186,599*	*tbd*

*FY25 values are actuals, but FY26 and FY27 are budgeted amounts until after each FY close-out.

**Actual carryover amount includes all unspent KSU funds, including unspent funds for the Emerging Issues Award.

***UW will invoice KSU twice a year for projected expenses. Note that the UW invoice amount to KSU won't exactly match (but should be close) with actual expenses at UW presented on the Budget tab, since we must invoice in advance of the expenses being incurred. Invoice on 11/1: $94,746. Invoice on 5/1/2026: $91,853.

Note: We hold in reserve approximately 3-months of salary at KSU ($75,000) and UW (now $40,000, as of FY27). These amounts are not included in budget numbers on these sheets, we track them manually.

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