FALCON 2013
Executive Director’s Report

Highlights of 2012/2013

• FALCON 2012 Conference in Albuquerque, had highest attendance ever (about 150); almost all 1994s represented.

• Assisted the USDA 1994 Program in developing and delivering its Tribal Fellows Program in Washington, DC.

• Facilitated a series of conference calls and e-mail discussions related to proposal development for the NIFA Research Leadership Grant program.

• Announced an annual FALCON-sponsored 50% tuition scholarship (worth about $5,000) for one 1994 applicant to participate in the LEAD21 Leadership Development Program each year.
## Federal Budget Update
**FY 2014**

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FY 2014 Budget priorities are the same as FY 2013, with an emphasis on 1994 Extension, Research and Equity programs.
1994 Funding History
Farm Bill Update

• Outlook for new Farm Bill very uncertain.
• 1994s are seeking four major priorities:
  1. Reauthorize all existing 1994 programs.
  2. Include 1994s Institutions in two Smith-Lever 3(d) programs: FRTEP and CYFAR.
  3. Add Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College and the College of the Muscogee Nation as land-grants.
  4. Changes to 1994 Research:
     • Expand list of eligible partners to non-land-grant Ag. colleges, ARS sites, and Schools of Forestry
     • streamline proposal development guidelines
March 2012 CBO Baseline of Mandatory Outlays for Farm Bill Titles
(10-year budget outlays FY2013-FY2022 in billions of dollars by farm bill title)
$993 billion total
NERAOC (National Extension & Research Administrative Officers Conference) 2014

- Formerly the CSREES Administrative Officers Meeting
- FALCON member on planning committee on a rotating basis
- Audience is land-grant administrators and PDs of NIFA-funded programs
- Indianapolis, IN; April 27-30, 2014
- Three sessions specific to 1994 issues
- Registration fee ($550) scholarships to selected 1994 attendees
Upcoming Annual Conference Venues

- **2014, Nov. 8-11, in Minneapolis, MN**
  - Meeting location: Radisson Plaza (downtown)

- **2015, Nov. 7-10, in Denver, CO**
  - Meeting location: Westin (downtown)

- **2016, in Albuquerque, NM**
FALCON 2013

Income
- 2012 Conference (reg fees, NIFA): 48,241
- Subcontracts (Ag-biz, Leadership): 41,443
  Total: 105,913

Expenses
- 2012 Conference: 16,743
- Subcontracts (Ag-biz): 28,942
- Student Scholarships: 20,149
- ED travel: 5,992
  Total: 72,059
  Profit/Loss: 33,854

Assets
- Savings: 33,400
- Checking: 92,597
  Total: 125,997
Section Five (2a) – Election of Directors:

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FALCON 2013
By-Laws Amendments proposed

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Section Five (5a) – By-law Amendments:

All such proposed amendments, together with the FALCON Board of Directors comments, shall be mailed to the voting membership in good standing with a ballot, by September 15 of that year. It is the obligation of the voting membership to return their ballot to the FALCON executive director, postmarked not later than October 30 of that year.

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