External Advisory Board Meeting
Wednesday, November 2, 2011, 8:30 am – 5:30 pm
Walter A. Buehler Alumni and Visitors Center, UC Davis

Goals:
- Introduce new Board members and strengthen relationships among Board members and senior staff.
- Update Board members on accomplishments, opportunities and challenges so that Board members are able to be advocates for ASI.
- Engage Board members to share their advice and perspectives as we continue to develop our programs.
- Explore the opportunities and potential pitfalls of a new idea: SAREP Solution Centers.
- Identify opportunities to enhance ASI’s $50 million fundraising campaign.

**Agenda**

Chair: Howard-Yana Shapiro
Facilitator: Nancy White

8:30 am Welcome and continental breakfast

9:00
- Board Chair’s welcome & introductions (Howard-Yana Shapiro)
- Agenda overview and meeting goals -- and our intentions on how we’ll meet them
- Activity around a few interesting or provocative questions.

9:30 Director’s update (Tom Tomich)

10:00 Comments & Questions

10:15 Special Project Update - with break
- Student Farm Program Planning (Mark Van Horn)
- Russell Ranch science/research plan (Kate Scow)
- New SAREP grants funded (Sonja Brodt & Gail Feenstra)
- Farmworker initiative (Sonja Brodt & Gail Feenstra)

11:50 Walk to lunch at Conference Center Ballroom

12:00 Lunch - Board Members & ASI staff
- Please sit with ASI staff or faculty person you don’t know well
- Learn a bit of what they bring to ASI
- Be prepared to share any highlights after lunch
1:30  Debrief: Share lunch highlights

1:40  Solution Centers (Tom, Sonja, and all)

- Development of general concept
- Illustration with an example focusing on anaerobic digesters/converting waste to resources
- Brainstorming other ideas
- Funding opportunities

3:30  BREAK

3:45  Fundraising for all ASI work (Melissa Haworth)

4:15  Monitoring and Evaluation (Bev Ransom)

4:30  Bringing it all together (Howard & Tom)

- Identify action items
- Meeting evaluation – did we meet our goals?
- Adjourn

5:00-5:30  Informal debriefing & networking for those whose schedule allows