

FARM FOUNDATION® ROUND TABLE

JW Marriott – Washington, DC January 8-10, 2020

The Next Generation of Agricultural Policy

A look toward the future policy needs of the food and agricultural sector

Final Agenda

Tuesday, January 7, 2020		
1:00 p.m.	Executive Committee Meeting	Commerce Room
4:00 p.m.	Registration	Penn Avenue Terrace
4:30 p.m.	Cultivator and Ag Scholars Orientation	Treasury Room
5:00 p.m.	Reception (cash bar)	Penn Avenue Terrace
Wednesday, January 8, 2020		
7:30 a.m.	Tour Briefing	Salons F&G
8:00 a.m.	Depart hotel for Washington, DC Agriculture Tour (see separate agenda)	
4:00 p.m.	Depart hotel for Capitol Visitor Center (for those not on tour)	
4:30 p.m.	Welcome Session: Tomorrow's Legislative Policy Set the stage for great discussions on the next generation of food ar learning what key leaders from the legislative branch would like to Moderator: Michael Torrey, Michael Torrey Associates Speakers: Sen. Pat Roberts (R-KS), Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D-MI), invited Rep. Colin Peterson (D-MN-7) Rep. Mike Conaway (R-TX-11)	
5:30 p.m.	Welcome Reception	Capitol Visitor Center
7:00 p.m.	Optional: Nighttime Tour of Washington, DC Monuments	
Thursday, January 9, 2020		
6:30 a.m.	Round Table Steering Committee Meeting	Commerce Room
6:30 a.m.	Cultivator Breakfast An opportunity to mingle with and learn about the next generation class or graduate-level students selected to join our Round Table m	
8:00 a.m.	Introductions	Salons D&E

Timothy Brennan, Farm Foundation

8:15 a.m. Welcome Address

Larkin Martin, Chairman, Farm Foundation

8:30 a.m. Opening Keynotes: The Next Policy Developers

How consumers are shaping and, at times, demanding policy changes that could significantly

impact the food and agricultural sector.

Moderator: Shari Rogge-Fidler, Farm Foundation

Speakers: Leslie Sarasin, CEO, Food Marketing Institute

10:00 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. Session One: The Rising Tide of State-Centric Food and Ag Policy

State governments are increasingly left to implement federal laws and regulations, while at the

same time developing their own policies around food and agriculture.

Moderator: Becky Doyle, the Context Network

Speakers: Michael Scuse, Delaware Department of Agriculture

Derek Sandison, Washington State Department of Agriculture

Jonathan Coppess, University of Illinois

12:00 p.m. Lunch Salons F&G

Round Table Recognitions

Recognize and thank members for their service to the Farm Foundation Round Table.

Speaker: Dawn Riley, Chair, Round Table Steering Committee

1:30 p.m. Session Two: Creating Policy from the Bench Salons D&E

The expanding ways that agriculturalists and activists are using the courts to change practices and

achieve social, environmental and ideological objectives.

Moderator: Gary Baise, OFW Law

Speakers: Harrison Pittman, the National Agricultural Law Center

Jake Li, Environmental Policy Innovation Center Paul Snyder, Tillamook County Creamery Association

3:00 p.m. Break

3:30 p.m. Session Three: The Role of the Executive Branch in Policy Creation

How the Trump Administration and the EPA are dealing with some of the coming environmental

opportunities and challenges facing the U.S. food and agricultural sector.

Moderator: Bruce Knight, Strategic Conservation Solutions
Speakers: Andrew Wheeler, Environmental Protection Agency

4:00 p.m. Closing Afternoon Keynote: Can Agriculture Save the Planet?

There is no activity that humankind engages in that has a bigger impact on the planet than agriculture. With the global population expected to reach nine billion in less than 40 years, not only do we have to increase the amount of food available, we must find ways to minimize its

footprint on the planet.

Moderator: Shari Rogge-Fidler

Speakers: Jack Bobo, Founder, Futurity

5:00 p.m. Round Table Member Meeting Treasury Room

6:30 p.m. Reception and Silent Auction Capitol Foyer

7:30 p.m. Chairman's Dinner Salons F&G

Friday, January 10, 2020

7:00 a.m. **Breakfast** Salons F&G 7:00 a.m. **Table Talks Session One** A View from Wall Street Ann Duignan Adapting to Consumer Demands Klaas Martens Agricultural Policy Education Brad Lubben Agriculture Real Estate in 2020 Howard Halderman Climate Activities in the States John Piotti International Exchanges Rates and Trade **Bob Thompson SNAP Discussion** Craig Gundersen Soil Health Today Sheldon Jones Technology in Agriculture Mary Snapp 7:45 a.m. **Development Committee Meeting** Rayburn Room 8:00 a.m. **Table Talks Session Two** Topics repeated from Session One 9:00 a.m. **Session Four: How the Public is Affecting Public Policy** Salons D&E More than ever before, consumers are dictating policy changes and production practices across the sector. **Moderator:** Jeff Grev, Hormel Foods **Speakers:** Tony Wesner, Rose Acre Farms Chris Adamo, Danone Richard Owen, Produce Marketing Association

10:30 a.m. Closing Keynote: The Impact of the Urban/Rural Divide on Tomorrow's Government

The urban-rural schism is growing, shifting of political and economic power to the cities in ways that could impact how and where we grow, process and market food in the US and beyond.

Moderator: Craig Yunker, CY Farms
Speaker: Jim Wiesemeyer, Pro Farmer

11:30 a.m. Round Table Open Mic

12:00 p.m. Adjourn