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- ❖ We would like to take this opportunity to welcome Drs. Daryl Kleinschmit (Agri-King, Inc.), Dave Mertens (USDA-ARS) and Charles Sniffen (Fencrest, LLC) to the Board of Directors. We are very excited to have such energetic and driven individuals on the board. We also would like to thank Drs. Ruurd Zijlstra and Kenneth Cummings for their 2 years of dedication to the initiative as directors.
- ❖ We will be commencing our 2009 Sponsorship/Membership fund raising drive in the first few weeks of October. Nearly 1300 sponsorship/membership packets will be mailed out. This year, packets will contain a 2 page invitation letter and application. The information is available on the FeedAC homepage (www.feedac.org) for all to review.
- ❖ As noted in the previous update, an ad hoc committee was formed with the overall goal of creating the initial infrastructure of the FeedAC master database and getting the beta version to a functional point. The ad hoc committee consists of Charlie Sniffen, Kurt Cotanch, Rick Grant, Mike Van Amburgh, Fred Lundy and Charles Schwab. We recognize that this group is too focused on ruminants and we want to ensure that the database will be a valuable tool and meet the needs for everyone involved in animal nutrition. Given this, we extend an invitation to swine, poultry, horse, and other modelers and/or nutritionists who wish to help us complete the database infrastructure. If you wish to participate, please email Fred Lundy at fred.lundy@feedac.org.
- ❖ We have created a web link on the homepage to the web-demonstration of the master database search page as introduced at the members meeting this past July in Indianapolis, IN. We encourage everyone to review the search page. Please let us know your thoughts and/or comments on the progress to date. We can't wait for it to become functional.
- ❖ If this is the first FeedAC update you have received, you can read our past updates by clicking here: <http://www.feedac.org/communications.asp?view=monthlyupdates>.
- ❖ October/November 2008 Conferences:
 - October 21-23; 70th Annual Cornell Nutrition Conference for Feed Manufacturers. <http://www.ansci.cornell.edu/dm/cnconf/index.html>
 - November 12-13; 2008 Dairy Cattle Nutrition Workshop. <http://www.das.psu.edu/das/dairy/dairy-nutrition/continuing-education/workshop>

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