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ARKANSAS RICE CHECK-OFF

**Arkansas Rice Research and Promotion Board Meeting**
**University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture**
**2301 South University Ave., Little Rock, AR 72204**
Meeting Agenda

November 17, 2026 - 9:00 am

1. Call to Order — Jim Whitaker, Chairman
2. Administrative Reports
3. Regular Business
    - Consider meeting minutes of August 5, 2026
    - Consider special called meeting minutes of October 20, 2026
4. Financial Report — Inoussa Zaki
    - Funding discussion
    - Establish funding target for 2027-2028
    - Identify proposal areas of concern to address
    - Set dates for 2027 meetings
    - University of Arkansas funding advances
5. Presentation Reports
    - Communications Group — Carson Horn
    - Rice in Schools Report –- Leslie Tell
    - Rice Ag Reader — Donette Span, Arkansas Farm Bureau
    - 2026 Production Season Review — Dr. Jarrod Hardke
    - Grain and Milling Yield Performance of Promising Rice Lines — Dr. Christian De Guzman and Xuyen Sha
6. Other Business
7. Adjourn