Business Items

• Funding
  – Timing of invoice cycle
  – Specific contact persons
  – Renewal of commitments
• Proposal process
• Website update
• Blend-wall project
Partnership Benefits

• Research
  – Help maintain a productive and influential research program
  – Participate in framing request for proposals & setting priorities
  – Feedback into selection process
  – Advance access to research results
  – Increasing opportunities for leverage of research funds

• Outreach
  – Seminars and Bioenergy “camp”
  – Opportunities for informal interaction with researchers
  – Valuable peer interactions with fellow sponsors
  – Website resources; papers, data, links, and bibliographies
Proposal Process & Timing

• Tomorrow: RFP discussion
• RFP circulated (Early December)
• Proposals due (Early March)
  – Initial screening
  – External peer review
    • Originality, merit, and relevance;
• Presentations at Spring board meeting (Late April)
• Notification of PIs (mid-May)
Website Update

• www.biobasedindustrycenter.iastate.edu
  – Google “ISU BIC”

• Member access tools
  – Draft research documents
  – RFP and proposal info

• Publicly available research papers

• Resources
  – Legislation and regulatory summaries and analysis
  – Bibliographies to external research on BIC topics
  – External presentation and meeting materials