

In early 2005 the MISA Board of Directors began discussions to renew the MISA by-laws as set out in the sunset clause. A committee was formed that included staff and board members.

The review committee met with survey experts and also contacted each of the Executive Directors for the Sustainers' Coalition and College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences Dean Chuck Muscoplat to ask if they are in favor of MISA continuing and all said "yes". The Dean requested that MISA worry less about documenting accomplishments of the past five years and concentrate on what we'd like to accomplish in the next five years.

The committee proposed the following process:

- 2 months prior to event distribute survey to seek info from all participants addressing MISA's challenges and ideas for new program directions. (Participants will include board members, sustainers coalition members, regional partnerships, etc).
- The surveys will be sent to a group to synthesize and that report will be sent back to the survey participants.
- A event will follow (probably in late Fall) that will bring together all the survey participants to examine challenges and address the following questions:
- The event will end with a dinner and signing ceremony.