7:30 a.m.–8:30 a.m.  Registration and Networking

8:30 a.m.  Welcome to the 2022 Governor’s Summit on Agricultural Growth
Kansas Board of Agriculture Chairman Thad Geiger
Kansas Governor Laura Kelly
Secretary of Agriculture Mike Beam

9:00 a.m.–10:15 a.m.  Sector Breakouts • Session 1
Agricultural Equipment Manufacturing & Sales – Kings A
Wheat – Kings B
Poultry – Kings C
Dairy – Konza Prairie A
Soybeans and Other Oilseeds – Konza Prairie B
Cotton – Konza Prairie C
Beef – Flint Hills Room

10:30 a.m.–11:45 a.m.  Sector Breakouts • Session 2
Corn – Kings A
Pet Food – Kings B
Animal Health – Kings C
Specialty Livestock – Konza Prairie A
Sorghum – Konza Prairie C
Agricultural Technology – Flint Hills Room

**12:00 p.m.**  
**Lunch**  
Invocation by Kansas Board of Agriculture member Jerry McReynolds  
Remarks from Kansas State University President Richard Linton

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**DR. RICHARD LINTON, President, Kansas State University**

Dr. Richard H. Linton serves as the 15th president of Kansas State University. He holds a bachelor’s degree in biology, a master’s degree in food science and a doctorate in food science, all from Virginia Tech University. He participated in the Food Systems Leadership Institute from 2009-2011 and completed the Harvard Graduate School’s Institutional Educational Management Program in 2018.

Before coming to K-State in February 2022, Linton served as dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at North Carolina State University from 2012-2022, as department chair of food science and technology at The Ohio State University from 2011-2012, and as a faculty member of the department of food science at Purdue University from 1994-2011. While at Purdue, Linton also served as the founder and director of the Center for Food Safety Engineering and as the associate director of agricultural research programs.

As dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, or CALS, at NC State, Linton led a college of over 300 faculty, with more than 3,000 undergraduate students and 1,000 graduate students. Under his direction, the college developed a new strategic plan focused on building people, programs and partnerships. Collaboration with industry and government were critical to the mission of the college, and Linton’s dedication was demonstrated through the NC Plant Sciences Initiative and the NC Food Processing and Manufacturing Initiative, two endeavors that have the potential to create jobs, find solutions to global challenges in agriculture and foster support for local growers. During his tenure at NC State, competitive research for CALS reached $100 million a year and his college raised $482 million for the NC State Capital Campaign.

Linton held many important leadership roles in addition to serving as dean. He continues to serve as a member of the Food and Drug Administration’s Science Advisory Board, as well as the chair for the Binational — Israel/U.S. — Ag Research and Development Fund, a role to which he was appointed in 2018 by the U.S. secretary of agriculture. He also previously chaired the North Carolina Governor’s Task Force on Food Manufacturing and the APLU-Healthy Food Systems, Healthy People Steering Committee.

President Linton and his wife, Sally, an ADHD/executive function life coach, have two children: a daughter, Lily, and a son, Chris.

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**1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m.**  
**Workforce Trends in Agriculture**  
Join our panel discussion as we reveal the results of the 2022 Ag Workforce Survey Needs Assessment and discuss successful and innovative ways companies recruit and retain employees.

**2:30 p.m.**  
**Ag Sector Highlights**  
Kansas Secretary of Agriculture Mike Beam will share discussion highlights from the specific agricultural sectors including common themes and opportunities across the Kansas ag industry.

**2:50 p.m.**  
**Ag Heroes**  
Help us recognize those in the agriculture industry who went above and beyond to serve others and better their community.

**3:00 p.m.**  
**Ag Summit Thank You**  
Closing comments from Secretary of Agriculture Mike Beam.