Current Welfare Challenges and Strategies to Address Them

7:30 AM – Breakfast and Registration

8:15 AM – Welcome:
Willie Reed, Dean, College of Veterinary Medicine; Jay Akridge, Glen W. Sample Dean of Agriculture; Candace Croney, Ph.D., Director, Center for Animal Welfare Science

8:30 AM – Ed Pajor, Ph.D., University of Calgary
Keynote Address:
Improving Animal Welfare: Future Drivers

9:15 AM – Letty Medina, DVM, AbbVie
Laboratory Animal Welfare: Challenges, Priorities and the Need for More Research

10:00 AM – Break

10:15 AM – Stephanie Cottie, Ph.D., Cargill
Animal Welfare—Corporate Challenges and Global Perspectives

10:45 AM – Andrew Rowan, Ph.D., Humane Society International / Tufts University
Companion Animal Welfare — Challenges and Global Perspectives

(Pajor, Medina, Cottie, Rowan)

11:45 AM – Lunch,
Graduate Student Posters,
Networking and Break-out Sessions

1:15 PM – Janice Siegfried, Ph.D., Michigan State University
Using Behavioral Phenotypes to Improve Genetic Selection in Pigs

2:00 PM – Chris Wolf, Ph.D., Michigan State University
Public and Farmer Perceptions of Cattle Welfare in the United States: Implications for Demand and Policy

2:45 PM – Break

3:00 PM – Yvonne Thaxton, Ph.D., University of Arkansas
Stand up for Animal Welfare: Talking to the Public

3:45 PM – Andrew Luescher, DVM, Ph.D., DACVB, Purdue University, Emeritus Professor
Man and Dog, a tenuous covenant: psychological suffering of dogs in a human environment

4:45 PM – Final Remarks