**School IPM 2020 Steering Committee Conference Call Notes – DRAFT**

Monday, February 1, 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM CST

1. **Roll:**  
   Russ Noratel, Joe Walton, Janet Hurley, Sherry Glick, Fudd Graham, Matt Neff
2. **Update on EPA Pest Management Roundtable (Sherry)**

* Sherry outlined EPA’s initial idea to have a pest management roundtable and include organizations that are influencing school environments, to create demand for SIPM at highest level
* 13 organizations currently signed on
* EPA is currently thinking about dates in June and July
* EPA is not doing this alone. They have engaged an organization called Resolve that is contacting these stakeholder organizations and getting them to participate.
* Jim Jones is working on getting Gina McCarthy onboard with this event.

1. **Individual updates (Regions, EPA, others)**

* **Russ Noratel** announced that he put in his two weeks notice—he is going to Maryland as an inspector for pesticides, and his coworker Joe Walton taking over. His contact info is [Joseph.Walton@dc.gov](mailto:Joseph.Walton@dc.gov)
* **Janet**: iSchool Pest Manager documents have all been reviewed. OSU is going through the final process from EPA meeting in December and is cleaning up the main website so search fields are not all displayed – not so many columns to overwhelm end user.
* 1,100 documents total on iSchool Pest Manager website: documents, websites, articles, etc.
* Really turned out nice, thru eXtension model I3core – items can be clicked on and visited, or downloaded.
* When Stop School Pests is put into an LMS, it will be using eXtension – there is confidence with this model.
* Agrilife Extension director and Texas A&M Vice Chancellor both commend SIPM for its efforts and want to see additional evaluation. There may be support from this direction soon.
* A statewide SIPM survey will be conducted this spring, comparing how the program was in 1993, to 2005, 2016.

1. **Any suggested agenda items for next month’s call? (group)**

**Next call: Monday, March 7 at 11:30am CT**