



National School IPM 2020 Steering Committee Conference Call Notes for December 2017

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The Steering Committee meets via conference call on the third Friday of each month at 1:30PM CST. The following notes are for **December 15th, 2017**.

Roll

- Alina Freund, IPM Institute of North America
- Frank Laufenberg, IPM Institute of North America
- Seth Dunlap, ASPCRO
- Dawn Gouge, University of Arizona Maricopa
- Matthew Powell, National Education Association
- Tom Green, IPM Institute of North America
- Karey Windbiel-Rojas, California IPM Program
- Shaku Nair, University of Arizona Maricopa
- Tim Stock, Oregon State University

Agenda

1. 9th International IPM Symposium Discussion and Planning
2. Next Steps for Healthy Homes Integration
3. Working Group Initiatives
4. Regional updates (group)

1. 9th International IPM Symposium Discussion and Planning

- Meet and Greet during the [IPM Symposium](#) will be after sessions on Tuesday and open to all registered symposium-participants working on or interested in school IPM. Social networking event that will include an opening announcement and 3 tables focusing on different areas of school IPM where someone who is working on that topic (such as bed bug prevention in schools, working with rural schools) direct an informal conversation by participants.
 - School IPM Funding
 - Current research and resources on school campuses or with schools
 - Limitations in outreach and research
 - Stop School Pests training table
 - Incorporate experiences with school districts.
 - School IPM Laws
 - School IPM in Extension
 - Extension work includes:
 - How it is changing rapidly?
 - What's to come?
 - Fitting school IPM into extension
- Symposium attendance: Shaku, Dawn, Frank, Tom, Tim, Karey, Seth (unlikely)
 - [Registration](#) is open
 - Tick Summit Wednesday, other vector-borne presentations on Thursday morning



- Capitol Hill visit Thursday
- Community IPM Practitioner Track, which will include the Tick Summit and School IPM sessions.
- School IPM Session (Organized by Shaku): We have two 90 minute slots, but we are not locked in for time and date
 - Group discussion format
 - Ryan Davis and Ruth Kerzee and Tim Stock have all expressed interests in giving talks.
 - We can have up to 6 presentations, so if anyone else has a presentation they want to present they should contact Shaku.
 - Shaku will resend the abstract for the session
 - Develop an article based on the discussion to be published in the IPM Journal or another journal.
 - Karey: Is there anyone from California? Lisa Estridge has reached out to Shaku.
 - It would be great if one of them would be planning to present—if not then Karey could put together a presentation.
 - Karey will be there and at the meet and greet.

2. Next Steps for Healthy Homes Integration

- University of Rochester Professor Katrina Korfmacher will be presenting on next month's call to discuss the focus of Healthy Homes issues and work as well as provide a brief history of the local projects and organizations healthy homes work with.
- We should consider possible synergies and resources we can share with Katrina to improve the connection between school IPM and Healthy Homes.
 - Interested in having her take a peek at the stop school pests modules because there is information that could be utilized in Healthy Homes.
 - Curious if there are any interactions with schools that they've been talking about (bed bugs and cockroaches), and homes and how they interplay with schools.
 - Examples or thoughts to connect those groups since there's not much happening there now.
 - Interested in hearing what training is available for Healthy Homes. There may be an opportunity integrate stop school pests' information.
 - Funds to attend the Healthy Homes training, not sure who succeeded in getting these funds (Dawn did not get funding to take the classes).
 - Update on the training courses Healthy Homes offers.
- Discuss ways to affectively share resources with these home focused groups.
 - Existing resources, Stop School Pests and ischoolpestmanager.

3. Working Group Initiatives

- Are there other ways group members think we should get school IPM success stories to a wider audience?
 - For example, our North Central group is focusing on activating certain groups, like school business officials, nurse or parent organizations.
 - Tim: Janet was mentioning a follow-up article to the school pesticide laws article with an article on school IPM laws.
 - She hasn't been able to get back on that due to a busy training season.



- (Dawn): Janet is still planning on getting to this.
- Get a document of what the IPM laws are in different states and a little more information on how have these different states worked out (based on law).
- This is the next focused document.

4. Regional Updates

- **Northeastern region**

- **Western region**

- Dawn: The last couple of years I've been involved in a citizens' science project. Science teachers have been studying mosquito populations. Less groups participated and we think that is from Zika, Arizona will wrap up this program on *Aedes aegypti* this year.
 - It required sending collection kits to schools, lower return and it wasn't worth the effort on minimal funding.
 - Common problem: when there is no incident less people and less funding for IPM.

- **Southern region**

- Seth: Still moving forward with the Stop School Pests endorsement with ASPCRO.
 - We are also working on a fact sheet for anti-microbial wipe misuse.

- **Northcentral region**

- SSP press release was distributed yesterday, please share the press release with your networks.
- Jody Green has developed a Bed bugs handout/infographic that she has been promoting at presentations in Nebraska. She is working on translating the info-graphic, Frank will send this out to the group and will make sure it's on [schoolpestmanager](http://schoolpestmanager.com).
- NC update:
 - Frannie Miller successful events
 - School Ag day about pesticides—kids often then wonder what pesticides are used at school (good conversation starter).
 - The "Growing with Children Spring Conference" for outreach to daycares.
 - General regional problems
 - Most states don't have laws mandating school IPM
 - i. Michigan has a training requirement
 - Limited and diminishing funding for schools
 - i. Potential solutions: educational service centers for schools to pool for IPM resources.
 - ii. IPM training at city municipality meetings where many school board members are also in attendance.
 - iii. Annual conference of science teachers (in Colorado for example).
- [9th International IPM Symposium: Registration](#).
 - 173 posters, there's space for 200. The committee would likely look kindly on any other additional poster submissions.

Send suggested agenda items for next month to flaufenberg@ipminstitute.org!

The coordination of the National School IPM Steering Committee is supported by funding of the USDA North Central IPM Center. The next conference call will take place on **Friday, January 19th**. Future calls will continue to fall on the third Friday of each month at **1:30 PM Central time**.