



National School IPM 2020 Steering Committee Conference Call Notes for February 16th

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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 **February 16th, 2018**. **Due to an in-person meeting at the 9th International IPM Symposium there will be no call for March of 2018.**

Roll

- Frank Laufenberg, IPM Institute of North America
- Lynn Braband, New York State Community IPM Program of Cornell University
- Dawn Gouge, University of Arizona Maricopa
- Joseph LaForest, Southern IPM Center
- Tom Green, IPM Institute of North America
- Kathy Murray, Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry
- Matthew Powell, National Education Association
- Shaku Nair, The University of Arizona Maricopa
- Fudd Graham, Auburn University
- John Connett, University of Wyoming
- Matt Bauer, Western IPM Center
- John F. Connett, University of Wyoming

Agenda

1. 9th International IPM Symposium Discussion and Planning
2. Regional updates (group)
3. Any suggested agenda items for next month's call? (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 three tables focusing on different areas of school IPM where someone who is working on that topic direct an informal conversation by participants.
 - Stop School Pests training table will be included during this meet and greet.
 - Incorporate experiences with school districts.
 - We will have a Stop School Pests poster that will be presented at the symposium and will be at this table.
 - Person to open the meeting: Shaku Nair
 - School IPM Funding: Frank and Tom
 - Still figuring out sources of funding that may be available for schools.
 - Frank will check in with Seth Dibblee and Ricardo Zubiato for opportunities regarding third party funds for improvements. Evaluate those opportunities for interventions such as door sweeps.
 - Sherry Glick will be at the meeting, she might be able to make some contacts and give an update on what EPA opportunities there are.



- Some states have life safety reviews with separate funding, in Indiana schools can work with architectural engineer and Fire Marshall to include IPM for the building.
- Lack of funding from Office of Pesticide Programs. Herb Bolton from USDA may be another person to reach out to.
- School IPM Laws: Ashley Freeman will lead this conversation – review excel sheet from Janet.
- School IPM in Extension: Dawn Gouge, Joellen Lampman
 - Extension work includes:
 - How it is changing?
 - What's to come?
 - Fitting school IPM into extension work.
- Early [Registration](#) closed on February 19th.
- Tick Summit Wednesday, other vector-borne presentations on Thursday morning.
- Capitol Hill visit Thursday afternoon.
- Community IPM Practitioner Track, which will include the Tick Summit and School IPM sessions.
- School IPM Session (Organized by Shaku):
 - Shaku: Most speakers have confirmed Wednesday, March 21st. 8:30AM -11:30 AM

2. Regional Updates

- **Western region**
 - Decided to perform annual school and childcare workshop in Arizona
 - Dividing outdoor and indoor stuff
 - One hour with everyone together
 - Metro Institute (local company), they certify Arizona PMP, Metro provides classes with fees.
 - They are looking to develop modules online.
 - They asked Dawn to go and teach some pest specific classes.
 - University doesn't currently offer online CEUs
 - They will start taking videos of pest specific classes to help share this information digitally
 - Next week Dawn will go to Nevada and be part of the bed bugs session.
 - John: Wyoming is offering CEUs for pesticide applicator training and other trainings using Stop School Pests.
 - Scott S. and John C. have both been using lots of time on community IPM and School IPM training
 - Had nurse training at Northern Tribal Health center.
 - Training is also happening on campuses and with school district personnel
 - This effort is made possible because of a grant from the Western IPM Center
 - Stop School Pests has been used as a foot in the door for these trainings
 - Information is high-quality, free
 - i. Adaptable
 - ii. Modified presentations for specific interests
 - iii. For other trainings we can expose them to 1/3 of the slides to get the appetite and then have them go back to the trainings online.



- The online portal of Stop School Pests is an attractive tool to gain interest from trainees and schools
 - For CEUs in Wyoming: we are not issuing many of these now, but we are announcing this to help improve training
 - Kathy Murray has a school nurse contact who is working on getting CEUs for Stop School Pests.
 - Sue Ratcliff is working with Ruth Kerzee for Illinois CEU training requirements.
 - LMS was built to accommodate this adoption and aid in attaining CEUs.
 - i. We'd like to adapt the facility manager module for facilities in general and house that on the Stop School Pests website.
 - NE SIPM resources
 - i. Ischoolpestmanager has lots of resources.
 - ii. What is the best way to make these resources available and accessible?
 - ADD to agenda: finding resources easily in one place. We need to have a place for end users.
 - i. Too much time to figure out what resources to use on ischoolpestmanager.
 - ii. Where can the end users go to get the most accessible and accurate information?
 - iii. We should develop a place that people can easily find the most accurate and user-friendly resources.
 - John bookmarks the resources from ischoolpestmanager and sends direct links.
 - i. Easy way to avoid any broken links that could be on the ischoolpestmanager website.
 - Share training events
 - We could put a calendar on the Stop School Pests trainings website?
 - i. Florida, Ohio, Las Vegas and Pennsylvania are on Tom Greens schedule
 - ii. This is all part of the NEA work
 - iii. Meetings are generally open for NEA members
 - Frank will find out how people get on the newsfeed that Christian sends out and forward this information to the group.
- **Southern region**
 - Joe: Friends of IPM award winners were announced.
 - IPM Symposium there will be a contest with a 5'6" Asian longhorn beetle walking around.
 - This will be used for tracking app/early detection data
 - Press release is coming out soon regarding SIPM activities
- **Northeast region**
 - Picking away at school IPM SSP nurse grant
 - National Association of school nurses (NASN)
 - Sharing a booth space with Marcia Anderson and EPA
 - They will have SSP mentioned as a presentation



- UMASS tick testing
 - Decision, action flow chart for ticks and school nurses
 - Based on bed bug model
- Lynn: The North Eastern School IPM Working group had a call last week and discussed the website
 - Consensus is that the site has value and needs updating
 - Kevin Judd, center's web master, will have to edit the site to fix broken links.
- Kathy is going to receive a well-deserved Healthy Kids Hero award!
- Webinars
 - Marcia Anderson has offered to do this webinar in collaboration with the EPA
 - School IPM, tick Speaker in September: Larry Dapsis
- If anyone is doing a Stop School Pests training to nurses, please let Frank and Kathy know.
- Dawn creates some handouts that may be useful for nurses.
 - She just released a handout on disinfecting for flu
 - NASN's weekly bulletin could be useful to integrate Dawn's newsletter
 - Dawn will draft a short blurb and share it with Kathy
- Cornell program has received a state wide tick outreach program in NY
 - Working on physical handout kits and additional
 - Lynn will let them know about the escalation sheet that Kathy is drafting
- Joellen Lampman will be transitioning to Lynn's role over the next few years.
 - Frank added Joellen to this group.
- Janet has a tickapp from Texas A&M which could be used as a model.
- Internal annual reports from Lynn's program:
 - School IPM report – Lynn will share with Frank.

- **Northcentral region**

- Sue Ratcliffe is putting together a student lunch on Tuesday at the Symposium.
 - She has a panel of people talking about their work
 - Tom Green and Herb Bolton will be talking about their work at that.
- Tom is starting to arrange meetings with school districts when he is already travelling there.
 - As people travel it may be useful to contact nearby school districts for potential SSP trainings.
- Funding was secured from the North Central IPM Center to continue facilitation of this group until February of 2019.
- Northcentral School IPM working group is putting together a list of schools to contact regarding the free stop school pests training.
- The Northcentral group is also working with folks in Michigan to hopefully upgrade the required training there.
- Symposium numbers: participation numbers are looking good, nearly 500 registrants, 174 posters, and 70 some students are registered.
- New Community IPM Manager, Julian Cooper, will be starting full time schedule in June.

3. Next month's conference call

- Frank will be at meetings in Atlantic city for tick work
- **Due to the in-person meet and greet at the 9th International IPM Symposium we will skip the call for next month!**



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, April 20th**. Future calls will continue to fall on the third Friday of each month at **1:30 PM Central time**.