



National School IPM 2020 Steering Committee Conference Call Notes for May 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 **May 19, 2017**.

Roll – 14 total

- Janet Hurley, Extension Program Specialist – School IPM, Texas A&M Dallas Agricultural Research and Extension Center
- Alina Freund, Community IPM Manager, IPM Institute of North America
- Tim Barchak, Senior Program Analyst ESP-Quality, National Education Association
- Frank Laufenberg, Project Coordinator, IPM Institute of North America
- Matthew Powell, Custodial Supervisor, KEA/KESPA Board of Directors, Director ESP at Large, National Education Association
- Amanda Crump, Director, Western IPM Center, University of California
- Ashley Freeman, Environmental Scientist, California Department of Pesticide Regulation
- Dawn Gouge, Professor and Specialist, Urban Entomology, University of Arizona Maricopa
- Tom Green, President, IPM Institute of North America
- Marc Lame, Professor and Director of Environmental Science program, Indiana University
- Tim Stock, Associate Director and OSU School IPM Program Coordinator, Integrated Plant Protection Center, Oregon State University
- John Connett, Integrated Pest Management Specialist, University of Wyoming
- Allie Allen, Director of Certification, National Pest Management Association

Agenda

1. Roll
2. iSchoolPestManager Presentation (Janet)
3. Stop School Pests Presentation (Alina)
4. Regional updates (group)
5. Updating Steering Committee Priorities

1. iSchoolPestManager Presentation (Janet)

- Please access, share and contribute to this database of articles here: <http://ischoolpestmanager.org/>
- The desktop version has the best functionality, but mobile or tablet function will help with access on other devices.
 - 1067 items, numerical list of resources
 - Some links are dated
 - Sources can be sorted in a variety of ways including profession and format (action plans, templates, pest category).
 - Show Me Everything gives full database of articles.



- On “Contact Us” you can send a correction or submit a document to add to the resources of this website
- Training module tab takes you to the eXtension Stop School Pests home page.

2. Stop School Pests Presentation (Alina)

- Training program for k-12 student staff, 9 different modules for different staff groups.
- Developed trainings for in-person and online.
- Currently working on marketing and new website to auto generate certificates and administer tests.
- Trainer Kits have quizzes, certificates, supporting documents.
- Dawn Gouge, along with IPM Institute and many partners developed the material.
 - Dawn: Potential future expansion to connect parent groups with IPM resources. There have been requests from parents, teachers and guardians for a home IPM module.
- Licensed sanitarians and applicators can get CEUs for the trainings as training gets submitted state by state, everyone who completes the training receives a proficiency certificate or a certificate of completion (depending on exam).
- All powerpoint slides are on the [website](#) for trainings and download.
- IPM Institute and NEA promote the training to NEA members and organize in person trainings.
- Tom Green will lead a training in Kentucky for custodians, at the Kentucky/Ohio education association ESP conference.
- Website is being developed for original Stop School Pests’ domain.
 - Financial mechanism: No cost for trainees online, working with select corporate partners.
 - TG: We haven’t ruled out financial contributions from school districts.
- Please contact Alina (afreund@ipminstitute.org) if you would like to lead a Stop School Pests training.
- Allie: Not all states allow for online CEU’s, at the other states will have to submit the training for review.
- John: Can people already get a certificate for taking the training online? Yes, they can contact Alina directly for the time being.
- Is that the same for Technician and PMP module? NPMA’s website will auto generate the certificate.

3. Updating Steering Committee Priorities

- Current priorities are broken into the following categories: Management (17), Educational (20), Research (15) and Regulatory (14).
- **Preliminary review** to evaluate the number of priorities, potentially reduce the number and ensure we are engaged in the most important work. Please review and provide feedback on the priority document that Frank shared on May 23rd.
- After review, we will send out a survey to rank the priorities.

4. Regional updates

• **Western Region:**

- John: Developing workshops for school IPM to be taught at 3 central locations.
- Tim: Onsite coordinator trainings planned in Oregon. Potentially using Stop School Pests materials, at least the nursing module.



- SSP is available for anyone to use and adapt for their trainings and we hope that it will be used. Happy to receive any feedback.
- **Alina: NC region**
 - Next NC working group call will feature school IPM practitioners, Milwaukee Public Schools speaker to talk about how to start a successful IPM program at a large district and how to overcome problems.
 - Tom Green did a Stop School Pests training in Michigan for NEA (3-4 participants in each of 4 sessions).
 - Attendance was down, in part because of the anti-union laws.
 - One MI participant was a MEA newsletter editor and is looking to write article on school IPM, working with John Stone. All participants were very appreciative and rated the trainings highly.
 - Flip book put together for the NCIPMC has been useful tool. ([Available online](#))
 - It would be great to give the presentations on SSP and ischoolpestmanager to a larger group. Potentially Kathy Murray could communicate to IPM coordinators.
 - Tom Green will try to arrange a visit to a Mississippi school to get an IPM program started (Jackson Public Schools).
 - School IPM center of expertise in Dallas will shift to mosquitos instead of broad school IPM.
 - Sherry Glick from EPA has announced her retirement. Ken McPherson is joining the center.
 - EPA signaled that we would have to develop the round table for school IPM (<https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2017-04/documents/school-ipm-update-for-ppdc.pdf>).
 - APLU has initiated an effort to increase IPM funding lines for USDA and NIFA.
 - Shrunken IPM lines down to 17 million from 31 million. This is the APLU's first aggressive ask to increase to 200 million—they are working with a professional advocacy group. **Frank will share the APLU fact sheet.**
 - Update PPDC – official advisory committee to the EPA about pesticide programs.
 - Associated meetings occur based on the PPDC meeting.
 - Workgroups have been established from these meetings.
 - Brief public comment session.
 - Some School IPM members are at the end of 6-year term.
 - We should find a way to continue to provide input into the PPDC.
 - Public Health working group: Marc Lame has volunteered to be on the public health group, which will be working a lot on vector borne disease IPM.
- **Janet: Southern region**
 - Sunrise session at the annual ESA meeting in Denver coming up. Ruth Kerzee will talk about inspiring people to work with in non-profits, Rebecca Baldwin will cover student curriculum for bed bugs and book bags. Janet will cover Stop School Pests.
 - If you haven't seen it, the 9th annual international IPM is looking for nominations for awards. Nominate before June 5th!
 - In Texas, the proposed bill to stop requiring certification for pest applicators was not supported.
 - School IPM training is still ongoing. In New York, Bobby Corrigan – rodentologist.



Send additions 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, June 16th**. Future calls will continue to fall on the third Friday of each month at **1:30 PM Central time**.