

January 20, 2004

2006 IPM Symposium  
Steering Committee Conference Call Minutes for 1/14/04

Participating: Appleby, Green, Nestor, Ratcliffe, Van Kirk, Wallace, Wolf

1. Site Selection

Elaine has proposals in hand from most of the cities she queried (Galveston, San Antonio, Houston, Memphis, New Orleans), expects one additional from Phoenix. Dates available are not attractive, we're aiming for Feb through first week of April. Elaine will request additional proposals from several additional cities such as Indianapolis, St. Louis, San Diego, Orlando, Las Vegas and Denver, and will get back to Moody Gardens (TX) which had attractive pricing but only January dates.

The site selection committee will meet by conf call on Feb 5, noon central, to review final proposals.

2. Symposium Theme

Suggestions to the program committee to date include global IPM, rediscovering small is beautiful, building the roadmap, building adoption, building partnerships, taking IPM to the streets, delivering on the promise and various combinations of the above. Good discussion was generated via email. The steering committee decided on "Delivering on a Promise." This option suggests many session topics including: what was/is the promise?; historical perspective; outcome evaluation; success stories; etc. Other theme suggestions should fit well under the "promise" theme as sessions, including global IPM, etc.

3. Other updates

Media committee met by conf call. Norm Leppla has been sent all the contact lists and will have a student work to refine those lists. The committee is putting together a plan to build awareness of the meeting, and also to use the meeting to build awareness of IPM.

The web group has put past meeting minutes, committee descriptions and membership online at <http://www.ipmcenters.org/ipmsymposium/>. These minutes will be available there shortly.

The exhibits/finance committee will set up a conf call with Elaine shortly to begin assembling its plan.

4. Next steering committee call:

February 11, noon central, details to follow.

Thanks to all for moving us forward!

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