

IPM SYMPOSIUM 2006

Steering Committee Conference Call Minutes from July 9, 2004. Please note any revisions/omissions to Tom Green.

Participating: Margaret Appleby, Sherry Glick, Tom Green, Barry Jacobsen, Curt Petzoldt, Sue Ratcliffe, Jim VanKirk, Jennifer Vollmer, Elaine Wolff, Frank Zalom

1. Committee Updates

Finance/Exhibits: A model solicitation letter has been developed and circulated to committee members to use with their contacts. Sue Ratcliffe is working with Eldon Ortman to refine the letter to '03 and new potential government funders, to be sent early August to optimize timing re end of fiscal year opportunities. Curt Petzoldt will followup with committee members on assignments, and schedule a committee call for mid-August.

Media/Outreach: Announcement will go out in all Meister publications soon. Elaine Wolff reports 80 responses to the initial email announcement, with only a handful declining further communications. Committee has developed a draft solicitation for progress reports from last symposium and Elaine will circulate to the '03 attendee list. Jim VanKirk to send Elaine current IPM coordinators list.

Operations/Website: Site is up to date. Jim to work with Sherry on webform for responses to past attendee updates; add link from home page to '03 symposium site; update home page with new IPM definition; add these meeting minutes.

Program: Due to meet before next call. Will investigate continuing education credits for Certified Crop Advisor program (<http://www.agronomy.org/cca/>), NAICC (contact Allison Jones), Board Certified Entomologist (www.entsoc.org/bce/); Pest Control Advisor (California); and others. Elaine will need us to coordinate the paperwork, perhaps a volunteer from each program could be assigned to take charge? Margaret Appleby to contact and enlist our two new volunteers. Committee to consider role of pesticides in IPM as possible debate topic, possibly including how the definition has evolved over the past 30 years.

Posters: Jennifer Vollmer was filled in on details re last symposium procedures by Elaine and Frank Zalom, former poster chair. Committee responsibilities include generating call for posters including format for printed and on-line posters; reviewing submissions; scheduling time slots for authors to be with posters; Committee will request permission to put poster on-line on submission form. Elaine to send Jennifer previous call for posters. Jennifer to work with Jim re poster format for website.

Local Arrangements: Tom Green sent Brad Goalach a new volunteer from the St. Louis area.

2. Description of IPM: Committee agreed to redo our description and recommended we look at definitions in current use by USDA, EPA and others rather than formulating a new definition. There is an interesting website compendium of definitions at <http://www.ippc.orst.edu/IPMdefinitions/home.html>, sorted by date. Margaret has contributed the official Canadian government definition. We will circulate a couple broadly vetted definitions and agree to select from those for symposium communications.

3. Next call: Friday, August 27, 10 AM Central.