

Steering Committee Meeting July 10, 2007

Attending: Steve Toth, Steve Hopkins, Pat O'Leary, David Monks, John Anderson, John Aselage, Henry Fadamiro, Harold Coble, Ron Stinner, Pat Parkman, Ples Spradley

Friends of Southern IPM:

Jim summarized the details of this program and the Advisory Council's discussion.

Discussion:

- Instead of paying only for travel, develop a list of reimbursable items and allow the winner up to \$1,500 worth of reimbursable expenses.
- Ask members of industry to support some of the awards.
- Have different categories every year for awards.

North Carolina IPM Coordinator Position

Because this position has been vacant since January, SRIPMC asked the Steering Committee to support its request to NCSU administration that the position be filled as soon as possible.

Motion: John Anderson made a motion for SRIPMC to draft a letter, signed by the Chair, and addressed and sent to Dave Monks. The motion was approved.

Opinion piece

After a short discussion about the Advisory Council's recommendation, the Steering Committee added that the article should be clearly labeled as an opinion piece.

State Contacts

The Steering Committee agreed with the Advisory Council's recommendations about keeping State Contacts.

Grantswriting workshops

The SC agreed that more workshops needed to be done but felt that the hosting institution should pay most of the expenses. The only idea added to the discussion begun by the Advisory Council was to use teleconferencing for some of the workshops to relieve travel expenses.

Membership

SARE representative to replace Geoff Zehnder: Joe Kembele possibly (suggested by Henry Fadamiro).

State Contact position: will stay the same.

Electing Officers

Ples was nominated and elected as chair.

Ames was nominated and then elected as chair-elect.

We need to add a representative for school IPM.

Environmental representative: possibly made a formal presentation to Sustainable Agriculture group, SAWG.

Next meeting

November 25-27 or December 3-4. Preferred dates are December 3-4.