



International Field Directors and Technologies Conference

August 12, 2010 Organizers Conference Call Notes:

Participating in the call, Betsy (Blunsdon), Rita (Thissen), Wayne (Hatcher), Vince (Parker), Lisa (Klein), Kelly (Elver) and Rita (Koontz)

AGENDA:

1. Welcome to Kelly & Lisa
2. Advisory Committee Expansion
3. Bylaws Committee Voting & Selection
4. OTHER
5. REMINDER NOTE: Decide on dates for Tech Planning Session & Field Webinar Brainstorming Session

NOTES:

1. Organizers welcomed Kelly Elver as Co-site Organizer and Lisa Klein as Co-registrar.
2. Expansion of the Advisory Committee to three members was discussed. As allowed under the IFD&TC Charter, "The Governing Board may appoint additional ad-hoc officers and subcommittees, as they deem necessary or as established in bylaws", it was decided the Advisory Committee would be expanded to three members and Michael Gerling, USDA/NASS be appointed to the position. Michael accepted.
3. Each member of the 2011 organizing team contemplated the make-up of the Bylaws Committee and after reviewing criteria such as large/small shop; depth of IFD&TC involvement and breadth of diversity of involvement, the following were appointed to the bylaws committee: Grant Benson, University of Michigan, Chair; Laural Hill, RAND; Lew Berman, CDC; Marion Schultz, WSU; Rick Myles, York University.
4. OTHER:
 - a. A brief discussion of the hotel accommodations for the 2011 program meeting was discussed. Rita T and Rita K will work together for a recommendation and decision will be made via e-mail.
 - b. Rita K will send a draft e-mail to the group to edit and approve for dissemination of the Bylaws Committee, Co-site and Co-registrar appointments. This information needs to be sent out by August 15, 2010 to comply with the decision made at the 2010 Annual Meeting to have this in place within 90 days of the meeting.
5. No dates set yet, will keep items on agenda.

Call ended, next conference call is Thursday, September 23, 2010.