

## International Field Directors and Technologies Conference

February 24, 2011 Organizers Conference Call Notes:

Participating in the call, Kelly (Elver), Lisa (Klein), Rita (Koontz), Vince (Parker) Joyce (Sweeney)

## AGENDA:

- 1. Registration Fee Compilation
- 2. Family Meal Option
- 3. Bylaws
- 4. Preliminary Program
- 5. Registration Timeline
- 6. OTHER

## NOTES:

- 1. Pricing of food and beverage items for the 2011 conference has been compiled, along with other costs for the 2011 IFD&TC. Vince (Parker) will compile the costs into the IFD&TC Registration Fee Pricing spreadsheet to calculate the 2011 registration fee. Conference organizers will work together to refine and set the fee by March 4, 2011.
- 2. A guest meal plan will be instituted for the 2011 conference. Guests may purchase meal or reception tickets and will have a guest badge indicating tickets purchased.
- 3. The IFD&TC draft bylaws have been received from Grant Benson and bylaw committee members, Marion Schultz, Washington State University; Lew Berman, CDC; Rick Myles, York University and Laural Hill, RAND Corporation. A review has been completed by the Advisory Team, Tim Gabel, RTI International; Michael Gerling, USDA/NASS; and Cheryl Wiese, University of Michigan. The next step will be for the 2011 Organizers to review.
- 4. The 2011 Preliminary Program is compiled and ready for distribution to the team. Review and refinement will continue into early March when 2011 IFD&TC registration will be opened. Refinement of the program continues until printing for the conference, but most is accomplished prior to the opening of registration.
- 5. Target date to open IFD&TC 2011 registration is March 10, 2011.
- 6. OTHER:
  - a. Joyce (Sweeney) reported that Carole Kindred, (JHG Marketing, Tampa Bay Office, 786 Lantern Way, Clearwater, FL 33765, Phone (727) 443-5511) on behalf of IFD&TC has asked the Hilton Walt Disney World to begin the process of drafting a contract for the 2012 IFD&TC. The other hotels will not be eliminated until after it is known if satisfactory arrangements can be made with the Hilton.
  - b. Next call is March 10, 2011, call ended. Respectfully submitted, Rita Koontz

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