

**To: ASCPRO Board of Directors**

**From: Allison Cuellar, Pest Management in Schools Committee Chair**

**Date: August 30, 2019**

**RE: Meeting Minutes from Pest Management in School Committee at the ASCPRO 2019 Annual Conference**

Board of Directors:

The Pest Management in Schools Committee met at the Marriott Cold Springs hotel in Franklin, TN at 11 AM on August 27, 2019. There were 14 physically present attendees and 2 present by conference call. The following individuals were present in the meeting room or by phone:

Name	Affiliation
Seth Dunlap	Arkansas Department of Agriculture
Kevin Jensen	Washington Department of Agriculture
Stan Cope	AP & G (Catchmaster)
Jim Fredericks	NPMA
Tom Jarzynka	Massey Services
Tim Lyons	Hawne Pest Control
Michael Kelly	Texas Department of Agriculture
Fudd Graham	Auburn University
Derrick Lastinger	Georgia Department of Agriculture
Alex Conti	Georgia Department of Agriculture
Mike Page	ASPCRO
Ashley Amidor	NPMA
Robert Kunst	Louisiana Structural Pest Control Commission
Steve Sims	Kentucky Department of Agriculture
Janet Hurley	Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Service
Aaron Curiel	Texas Department of Agriculture

After introductions, the committee held a quick vote to confirm a change in chair from Seth Dunlap (AR) to Allison Cuellar (TX).

The committee reviewed the most recent actions taken by the committee. In the last year the committee produced an Antimicrobial Fact Sheet now available on the ASCPRO website.

The committee then began a brainstorming session to compile ideas for future activities and actions. The following ideas were suggested:

- Developing a clearinghouse/repository of School Integrated Pest Management (SIPM) rules for other states or interested parties (industry or school districts) that may be looking to implement SIPM or need a reference for current activities.
- Completing another survey of states to determine what has been done in SIPM since the last survey was completed in 2014. NPMA also did a survey in 2017.
- Education materials for schools who do not have a framework on where to start with SIPM such as guidelines, what to ask for in contracts as there was expressed concern that school see SIPM as a means to not spend money on pest control or as a requirement to not use pesticides at all.
- Education materials for students regarding SIPM.

- Food programs at schools and how they interact and affect SIPM programs. Ag barns and FFA programs on school property was also discussed.
- Concerns of districts banning pesticide actives without a scientific basis was brought up. The development of materials or a white paper to educate and provide to members regarding the science of pesticide registrations and what SIPM is was suggested.

Ultimately, the committee settled on two projects for mid-year and annual meetings in 2020:

- Registration science paper inclusive of information on how SIPM program operates (i.e. less-risky actives and applications methods). This paper will be conceived in plain language to allow for use to the general public.
- Review of the survey materials available and if necessary, development of a new survey to collect the current landscape for SIPM in the country.

If there are any questions, please contact me.