

Program Planning committee

Monday July 11, 2011

Present: Norm Leppla, Margaret Appleby, Lynnae Jess, Naresh Duggal & Dave Clement

Mary Kay Malinoski and David Clement reclassified some of the submissions and provided an alternative structure for the Symposium to be considered by the IIPM Symposium Program Committee. A special Program Committee conference call was arranged to consider options.

After a thoughtful review, the Program Committee decided to retain the original Symposium structure. Submitters will be asked to provide more assistance in classifying their submissions within this structure. The current distribution is a reasonable representation of IPM: Agriculture (130), Urban & Community (32), Natural Resources (13) = 175.

The matrix analysis provided by Naresh Duggal will continue to serve as a guide in classifying the submissions and requesting options for collaboration between submitters and other alternatives for hours requested above the 96 available. Options include a request to combine, move to an evening session, accept as a poster or virtual poster, or extend the conference.

Letters will be sent by Dawn Gouge to the submitters to confirm their commitments, suggest collaborations, and solicit their opinions about where their submissions fit the program. These letters are being prepared at this time with an August 15th deadline for responding, probably to be extended to August 30th.

Additional topics for discussion: 1) Only \$200-300 will be available to support each session, not enough to make a difference in the confirmation, 2) Brainstorming sessions will be incorporated into the program, not combined at the end, 3) Rooms are available for evening sessions, and 4) Consider web-x for virtual posters.