

Minutes

NAGPI Conference Call: Wednesday, 15 December 2004, 14:00–14:30 EST

1. Welcome to participants and roll call

Participants

Dana Arnold
Scot Case
Brian Johnson
Martha King
Jackie Libricz
Rahumathulla Marikkar

Veronica McGuire
Madeleine Plouffe
John Polak
Véronique Robichaud
Jeff Stephens

2. Program plan for 2005

Véronique underlined how important it is that the government representatives participating in the NAGPI contact their counterparts responsible for writing the CEC's Program Plan for 2005. Participants expressed their worries regarding the future of the group, as CEC's projects become less and less numerous. It was, however, agreed that the group should continue its work early next year, since the final Program Plan will not be finalized in 2004, but rather later in 2005.

3. Last annual meeting: proceedings

Part of the information is still missing to complete the proceedings. Martha will remind Loretta of this.

4. Meeting in March

It was confirmed that the next meeting will be on 31 March 2005 in Santa Monica.

Participants will be asked their input for building the agenda for this event. Next conference call will address this issue.

Brian intends to make the most of this event by organizing a second meeting the day after or before to address local and state-wide issues related to green purchasing.

Veronica expressed interest in capitalizing on PWGSC presence in Santa Monica to learn more about best practices, meet people and discuss lessons learned.

5. Committee update

Scot mentioned that information has been gathered on green cleaning products and that this will be shared and discussed with the members of his committee in a conference call. Next steps to take will also be on their agenda.

Veronica said the “office supply” committee has identified the members and gathered some information as well. The material will be shared through e-mail this week and the group will move ahead in January. She also reminded us of the meeting that will take place in Ottawa on this issue on 21 January and how relevant this event will be for the committee as that both suppliers and buyers will be participating.

6. Other

Madeleine informed us that the Eco-SAT web site is almost complete. NAGPIers will be asked to comment the best practices guide before the end of this year.

7. Next Meeting

Next conference call: Wednesday 19 January, 14:00 EST.