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Fellow members of IAPT:

Please forgive some of the confusion surrounding the organization of this fall’s meeting of the Iowa Association of Physics Teachers.  With the inaugural meeting of the Prairie Section of the American Physical Society on November 12-14, we have been given an opportunity to “brush elbows” with physicists in the Midwest and a chance to see some of our old friends in physics education as well .

I scanned the APS website for any information regarding this specific meeting, and all that I could find was the abstract deadline, which happens to be October 16.  I thank our co-secretaries, Dale Stille and Craig Kletzing for researching and finding additional information on the meeting. You should have received a recent email outlining this information.  With input from some of the active members, I feel we should carve out some time from the 3-day schedule and plan to have a meeting similar in structure to those we have had in the past. I would simply like the members of the IAPT to plan to meet in the morning, Saturday, November 14 at a spot that Dale can line up for us, share some donuts and  coffee and take it from there!

So, to all of our members, I say welcome to Iowa City and what I feel will be an historic inaugural meeting.  It has been several years since we last met at the University of Iowa and I am excited to get back to the land of Van Allen.

Warm regards,

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