Developing Food Safety Professionals PDG

Attendees: Dina Scott (Chair), Matthew Moore (Vice Chair), Gina Kramer, Seun Agbaje, Adam Alberson, Keith Amoroso, Cameron Bardsley, Giovana Bodnar, Ernest Bonah, Adam Borger, Chris Boyles, Stephanie Brown, Kellie Burris, Vanessa Bussiere, Loan Cao, Ben Chapman, Chia-Yang Chen, Jessica Chen, Casey Chester, Michelle Chester, Candice Christian, Carrie Clark, Shannon Coleman, Marlo Darken, Kaiping Deng, Claudia Diaz, Brian Eblen, Sophia Elie, Bertrand Emond, Erika Estrada, Andrea Etter, Sara Farmer, Peyman Fatemi, Emily Forauer, Gina Frontino, Monica Galleguillos, Balasubramanian Ganesan, Constantin Genigeorgis, Gaurav Ghai, Leah Gilman, Julian Graham, Susan Hammons, Marlee Hayes, Jim Heemstra, Paula Herald, Dylan Hinrichs, Tsung Han Hsieh, Richard Huang, Oluwatosin Ijabadeniyi, Jealae Jackson, Megan Jensen, Charles Kalish, Michael Kalish, Jasmine Kataria, Ahyoon Kim, Kalmia Kniel, Robert Kramer, Jeong-Eun Lee, Sean Leighton, Cortney Leone, Xia Xi Dawn Li, Marie Limoges, Kory Longhurst, Stephanie Maggio, Sahar Malekmohammadi, Chip Manuel, Maia Metreveli, Minto Michael, Amit Morey, Deepika Morey, Scott Nguyen, Estefania Novoa Rama, Philip O'Connor, Morrine Omolo, Yuda Ou, Craig Overlock, Brian Perry, Hannah Pilch, Sophia Pinton, Florence Postollec. David Read, David Reyda, Carrie Rigdon, Catherine Rolfe, Lindsey Ross, Christopher Rupert, JoAnn Sagaral, Kristen Saniga, Sara Scharber, Carla Schwan, Natalie Seymour, Shima Shayanfar, Emalie Thomas-Popo, Sarah Tillis, Qing Wang, Myriam Evelyn Watts, Wendy White, Brooke Whitney, and Peipei Zhang.

Number of Attendees: 99.

Meeting Called to Order: 3:15 p.m., Sunday, July 8, 2018.

Minutes Recording Secretary: Jessica Chen/Matthew Moore.

Old Business: Address by Jessica Chen, Outgoing Chair.

New Business: IAFP Board Update from Board Liaison, Kali Kniel.

Discussion of accepted sessions that were sponsored/co-sponsored by the PDG:

- Insights into Food Safety Careers Roundtable (Primary)
- The Grey Area of Science: "Predatory" Publishers and Questionable Conferences (Primary)
- Help! I'm New Management. How Do I Convince My Colleagues Food Safety is Important (Primary)
- Student PDG 3-minute Thesis Competition (Co-Sponsor)
- Culturally Targeted Messages and Methods: The Next Generation of Food Safety Education Strategies (Co-Sponsor)

Discussion of specific session ideas:

- Scientific communication to the public as a scientist. Potentially bringing in science journalists to discuss strategies for communicating to the public/non-scientists (Andrea Ray, Wendy White).
 - Similar topic discussed with meat and poultry PDG and may be some interest with student PDG. We will reach out to collaborate.
- Next Steps in Ensuring Food Safety: Data Analytics, Machine Learning and Blockchain (Proposed by Amit Morey, seconded by Matthew Moore).
 - Viral and Parasitic PDG also considering proposing something similar, will reach out.
 - i. A number of potential company speakers could be included: Sysco is using blockchain, and Golden State Foods has it (Wendy White).
- News of potential government proposal to merge USDA and FDA (Andrea Ray).
 - A lot of interest in room as to how this may affect career landscape. It was decided to table the idea and keep eye on situation for potential future proposal.
- Training the next generation of food safety professionals. Entirely
 new generation has different set of skills and communication background, how to work with and supervise them effectively (Proposed
 by Dina Scott; Interest from: Stephanie, Wendy White, Noelle from
 Tyson, Amit Morey, Katie Satchwell).
 - Retail PDG also interested in this, will reach out for potential collaboration.
- Crisis management in the age of social media; how it affects brand protection, etc. (Proposed by Dina Scott; interest from: Amit Morey, Natalie Seymour).
 - 1. Potentially turn into roundtable or webinar.
- GMO labeling and considerations involved; will it potentially become mandatory (Proposed by Wendy White; Interest from Craig Overlock)

Recommendations to the Executive Board:

- Request to officially appoint Matthew Moore as the new Vice Chair (elected prior to meeting).
- 2. Start a 40 under 40 club.

Next Meeting Date: July 21, 2019, Louisville, KY.

Meeting Adjourned: 5:15 p.m. Chairperson: Dina Scott.