Water Quality and Safety PDG

Members Present: Susan McKnight (Chair), DeAnn Benesh, Michael Brodsky, Larry Cohen, Dean Davidson, Louise Fielding, Peter Kennedy, Wendy Maduff, Joseph Odumeru, Phyllis Posy and Kathleen Rajkowski.

Board/Staff Member Present: Isabel Walls.

New Members: Lisbeth Truelstrup Hansen, Yen-Con Hung, Kirsten Hirneisen, Roberto Marrero-Ortiz, Eric Amann, Christina Harzman, Geoffrey Morell, Li Ma, Karen Killinger, Charles Young, Annemarie Buchholz and Kali Kniel.

Visitors/Guests: Craig Johnson, Carla Napier and Ynes Ortega.

Meeting Called to Order: 2:00 p.m., Sunday, July 31, 2011 by Incoming Chair Susan

McKnight.

Recording Secretary of Minutes: Dean Davidson.

Old Business: Thanked Dean Davidson for his great service, generous time and leadership given as Chair (and previously Vice Chair) of this PDG.

New Business:

- 1. Nomination and election of Wendy Maduff (ConAgra) as Vice Chair.
- 2. Webinars:
 - Webinar will be scheduled in the near future by Dean Davidson with IAFP staff on recently enacted Aircraft Drinking Water Rule by US FDA/US EPA which address the subject of aircraft drinking water and culinary water use on airplanes. This will be for PDG members only.
 - Another webinar topic to be explored water treatment technologies used in the food industry.
 - Noted that we need info from David Tharp on lead time needed by IAFP for Webinars, notification process, etc.
- 3. "Thoughts on Food Safety" topics for Food Protection Trends submission:
 - Dorothy Wrigley (Minnesota State University) had forwarded a list of topics she was going to discuss with her Food Microbiology class as possible Thoughts on Food Safety topics. The PDG recommended exploring few topics such as – water usage in the food industry.
 - Wendy Maduff and Dean Davidson will explore the problems that arise with water in food processing (not necessarily with answers).
- 4. Work with Ewen Todd's group of the revision of Waterborne Illness publication.

Symposium ideas:

- 1. Water Re-use: What does safe for intended use actually mean in the following areas:
 - Beverage industry
 - Food processing/Manufacturing
 - Cruise ships
 - Agriculture
 - Retail setting
 - Testing and validation

This PDG would like to coordinate this symposium idea with other PDGs in the listed areas above.

2. Water in Aquaculture – Intake and Outtake issues: Explore global examples like Chili, Darden's (or someone else's) experience in Asia (with the Seafood PDG).

Recommendations to the Executive Board:

1. Approve the election of Wendy Maduff (ConAgra) as Vice Chair of this PDG.

Next Meeting Date: After input is given from IAFP regarding symposium paring and after Webinar.

Meeting Adjourned: 4:00 p.m. **Chairperson:** Susan McKnight.