Food Safety Culture PDG


Number of Attendees: 143.

Meeting Called to Order: 1:00 p.m., Sunday, July 9, 2017.

Minutes Recording Secretary: Megan Kenjora (Guilford).

Old Business: None.

New Business:
- The group will work to advance food safety culture as a science and not a slogan by reviewing existing content on the topic and publishing in scientific journals, engaging members, communicating best practices, and learning from other industries/disciplines.
- Held Chair and Vice Chair election. Megan Kenjora (Guilford) elected as Chair and Lone Jespersen elected as Vice Chair.
- Members agreed to bi-monthly touch-base calls with agenda and predetermined topics for discussion. Members also requested an electronic forum for information sharing between calls and to work better across time zones. Megan Kenjora will set up a LinkedIn Group for this purpose.
- Recommend a webinar that will serve as a food safety culture 101 to educate food safety professionals about the topic, inform about the new PDG, and spark interest for additional membership and engagement.
- Food safety culture at the executive level (C-suite), exploring food safety culture when looking at outbreaks/recalls, and measuring food safety culture were the three biggest areas of interest shown in the initial meeting.
- The research group affiliated with the TWG is currently evaluating 45–50 food safety culture measurement tools with published results expected this fall. The PDG will review this work upon publication and identify any applicable PDG next steps on the topic.
- Group will identify strategies to engage students once formally established.

Recommendations to the Executive Board:
1. Approve permanent formation of Food Safety Culture PDG.
2. Approve Megan Kenjora (Guilford) as Chair.
3. Approve Lone Jespersen as Vice Chair.
4. Approve the following Mission Statement: The mission of the Food Safety Culture PDG is to provide an international forum to advance food safety culture science and best practices.

Next Meeting Date: July 9, 2018, Salt Lake City, UT.

Meeting Adjourned: 2:47 p.m.

Chairperson: Megan Kenjora.