Approval of agenda: Changes: move FDA talk top beginning of new business; add announcement about AFDO’s new food defense guidelines. Motion approved unanimously.

The Chair reviewed the anti-trust guidelines.

Robyn Miranda – Student Liaison, could not attend the meeting.

FDA presentation: Ryan Newkirk and Colin Barthel: FSMA IA rule – requirements, guidance, training, and implementation.

FDA Global and Domestic Efforts Idea.

Chemical and Radiological Detection Methods.


Old Business:
- Review 2017 meeting minutes – approved unanimously.
- Reviewed mission statement – no changes recommended.
- FDA presentation: Ryan Newkirk and Colin Barthel: FSMA IA rule – requirements, guidance, training, and implementation.
- Jenny Pierquet (Past-Chair) gave an update on the Association of Food and Drug Officials (AFDO) new food defense guidelines.
- Reviewed previous year’s symposium submissions.
- Reviewed this year’s sessions:
  1. Symposia – short (1.5 hours), Ballroom G & I, July 9, 10:30 a.m., Rock on! Interdisciplinary Teams Protecting Nachos at a Concert Near You. Amy Kircher, Sponsor: Food Defense PDG, Collaborating Session Sponsors: Food Fraud PDG.

New Business:
- New symposium.
  1. FDA Global and Domestic Efforts Idea.
  2. Chemical and Radiological Detection Methods.

Other comments:
- Food Protection and Defense Institute would like to combine the Food Defense Conference with next year’s IAFP. There was broad support among the PDG members.
- Members that submit proposals would like to get feedback on their ratings by the reviewers and the Program Committee is working on that.
- FDA could hold an in-person FSMA IA rule training session at IAFP. Deadline for symposium submissions is October 2, 2018.

Recommendations to the Executive Board:
- The PDG recommends the Executive Board approve the selection of Mark Kazmierczak as PDG Vice Chair.
- The PDG recommends the Food Defense Conference hosted by FPDI be held in conjunction with the 2019 IAFP Annual Meeting.

Next Meeting Date: July 21–24, 2019, Louisville, KY.

Meeting Adjourned: 12:03 p.m.

Chairperson: Oscar Rodriguez-Gonzalez.