Meat and Poultry Safety and Quality PDG

Attendees: Wendy White (Chair), Matt Taylor (Vice Chair), Amanda Rials, Amit Morey, Andrea Etter, Audrey Kreske, Betsy Booren, Bledar Bisha, Brian Himelbloom, Byron Chaves, Carl Custer, Melvin Carter, Cindy Austin, Dennis Burson, Dianna Bourassa, Doug Marshall, Emefa Monu, Emilio Esteban, Garth Hoffmann, Gina Geornaras, Gireesh Rajashekkara, Hayriye Cetin-Karaca, James Dickson, Jason M. Scheffler, Jennifer Raspaldo, Joe Holt, John Jarosh, Karleigh Bacon, Kathy Glass, Kimberly Anderson, Kristin Schill, Laura Garner, Leslie Thompson-Strehlow, Mark Muldoon, Martin Duplessis, Mary Anne Amalaradjou, Max Golden, Michael Roberson, Nancy Gushing, Nydia Orue, Peter Kennedy, Peter Muriana, Raj Rajagopal, S. Balamurugan, Sarah Azinheiro, Stevie Hretz, Subash Shrestha, Tim Freier, and Yanbin Li.

Board/Staff Present: Emilio Esteban, Didi Loynachan, and Dina Siedenburg.

Total Number of Attendees: 52.

Meeting Called to Order: 11:03 a.m. EDT, October 1, 2020

Minutes Recording Secretary: Wendy White.

Wendy White welcomed attendees and introduced Dr. Matt Taylor as the PDG’s Vice Chair and the PDG’s new Student Liaison, Sam Annor, a Ph.D student at Texas A&M. Dr. Emilio Esteban gave the IAFP Executive Board Update. He welcomed all attendees and reminded everyone that the deadline for early registration is today, Oct. 1, 2020, although registration will be available after this time. http://www.foodprotection.org/annualmeeting/registration/register/

Old Business:

Wendy entered the link to the 2019 Meat and Poultry PDG Meeting Minutes in the chat. Attendees voted to accept these minutes after the motion was raised by Carl Custer and seconded by Matt Taylor.

New Business:


Matt lead the attendees in a brainstorming for session ideas for the 2021 IAFP Annual Meeting. The complete proposal list will be distributed to the members after the call. There were 11 proposal ideas discussed: Atmospheric cold plasma, WGS with big data and BlockChain, using elevated hydrostatic pressure, fresh meat shelf life, virtual auditing, egg inspection modernization, animal feed food safety, meat & poultry industry’s response to the COVID-19 pandemic, preharvest controls of Salmonella, cell grown meat, and the swine inspection modernization.

Please remember that the deadline for session proposals is Nov. 10, 2020. The submission portal can be accessed on the IAFP website: https://iafp.confex.com/iafp/2021/cfp.cgi.
Matt gave the members an update on *Food Protection Trends*, which is free for all members of IAFP. He urged everyone to enable updates from *FPT* via IAFP Connect as new issues come every two months. The *FPT* Management Committee is requesting ideas from all IAFP PDGs. Any IAFP sessions and posters can be incorporated into a *FPT* article. Please reach out to Matt or Cathy Cutter for any article ideas.

Anyone that is interested in nominating someone or self-nominating for the Vice Chair position, should reach out to Matt (matt_taylor@tamu.edu) and Wendy (wwhite@gatech.edu). This position will be elected in the next few months and will take effect at the 2021 Annual Meeting.

**Recommendations to the Executive Board:** None.

**Next Meeting Date:** July 18, 2021, Phoenix, Arizona.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 12:32 p.m. EDT.

**Chairperson:** Wendy White.