VIEW FROM THE CHAIR:
First In-Person Meeting in Three Years

First and foremost, thank you for allowing me to serve as your Affiliate Council Chair for 2022–2023! I’m honored to be part of this amazing organization, and as I learn more and more in my new role, I feel truly blessed to have this opportunity. I want to thank Fabiana Guglielmone for stepping up on very short notice and standing unopposed for election for this year’s Affiliate Council Secretary. She is enthusiastic and ready to get the ball rolling over the next year. I also want to thank Wendy White for her guidance throughout the past year and for taking the Affiliate Council Meeting to a whole new level! Wendy introduced a vision for continued success, and it is my honor to carry on that quest.

The vision is simple, made up of four key elements: Support Struggling Affiliates; Improve the Affiliate Council Experience; Leadership Continuity; and Student Involvement. We also attempted to take this to a whole new level for leadership continuity by extending the terms of the Affiliate Council officers from two years to four years (two years for each position). This was discussed during most of our Zoom meetings and in more detail at our Affiliate Council Meeting on July 31 during IAFP 2022 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. During the latter meeting, two major obstacles came up during discussions. First, Affiliate members felt this could possibly restrict Delegates outside the U.S. from serving on the Affiliate Council due to travel constraints as we move to a “new normal.” Second, some felt four years was too long for some people to commit. After an intense discussion period, the Delegates in attendance voted, and the recommendation to extend the terms for each position did not pass. We continue to encourage anyone who wants to learn more about IAFP to volunteer to serve as the Affiliate Council Secretary.

We also attempted to have three virtual Affiliate meetings throughout the year at various times to allow attendance for as many participants as possible around the world. Each meeting was informative and well attended. Some of the suggestions included creating SOPs or binders that can be passed on from year to year so Affiliate members aren’t starting from scratch, as well as pairing struggling Affiliates with well-established Affiliates with the potential to attend a meeting to see how it is organized.

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moving to the Affiliate Council Chair after the first year. You won’t regret it!

In hopes of getting more student involvement within the Affiliates, we held discussions with the Student PDG, inviting representatives to attend the 2022 Affiliate Council Meeting. Wendy was also a guest speaker at the Student PDG during IAFP 2022. Ideas that came from these meetings included having students who present their research at an IAFP Annual Meeting also present at their local Affiliate’s meeting; reducing the cost for student participation; and inviting students to be a Student Board Member, providing a different perspective. All of these were great ideas, and I hope they can be utilized by our Affiliates!

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So, what’s the plan for the coming year? We’ll continue to hold virtual Affiliate meetings (our next one is Tuesday, December 13, 2022) to stay focused on improving our Affiliates and our Members’ overall experiences with IAFP. We’ll continue to drive a commitment to food safety by helping provide educational opportunities for Affiliates through the use of webinars and Executive Board speakers. These virtual meetings will again be geared toward brainstorming what’s working and what needs improvement.

My hope during my term as Affiliate Council Chair is to provide a platform for people to come together and discuss challenges and frustrations, as well as share their accomplishments. We are all facing new demands in an ever-changing work climate, so scheduling times to openly discuss these opportunities will help provide perspective, collaboration, and a common goal for our Affiliate members – to have an active, strong Affiliate ready to take on the food safety challenges of tomorrow!

Regards,

Amy Rhodes

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relevant food safety issues; assist Members in professional development by providing the enabling environment; information dissemination; and establish partnerships with African governments and other partners.

The ACAFP website is being updated with much information. 2021 achievements were:

- ACAFP highly engaged partners.
- The first ACAFP Virtual Food Safety Conference was held 10–11 November 2021. The meeting proved successful and attracted 250 delegates, including students. It was supported by the African Union Commission (AUC), Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations, and IAFP. Many of the student delegates joined the Affiliate after the meeting. ACAFP received the 2022 Affiliate Membership Achievement Award at the July 31 Affiliate Council Meeting for this achievement.

Challenges included:

- ACAFP covers the entire continent, hence enrolling members from all or many African countries is quite challenging;
- Members live in different time zones, creating a challenge to have convenient meeting times;
- Getting funding for conferences and workshops.

Goals and objectives for 2023 are:

- Host a conference in November 2023; more information will be shared during IAFP 2023 in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
- Increase membership by encouraging people to join ACAFP and become active Members;
- Increase sponsorship;
- Organize webinars; and
- Encourage Members to take on volunteering positions.

Michelle Danyluk, IAFP President, and Mark Carter, IAFP Vice President, were in attendance and were thrilled to hear about ACAFP’s achievements, especially using technology to organize its successful conference. The two encouraged attendees to join both the Affiliate and IAFP. The Board supports ACAFP’s goals for 2023 and plans and activities are lined up.

Next, Peter Kennedy, Affiliate Vice President and Delegate, acknowledged the IAFP Executive Board for providing a complimentary one-year IAFP Membership certificate to a lucky attendee selected by balloting. The Affiliate website is being revamped by Turners, the new website managers. Content on the old website will be migrated to the new one (https://acafoodprotection.org.za). Our website is one of the main means of communicating with our members and for sharing information about the food safety challenges in Africa as well as providing possible solutions. Attendees were encouraged to share information to be posted on the website as informative content is needed to keep members and partners current about relevant food safety issues.

Rose Omari then presented information about membership. As part of the membership drive, a call for membership was announced on various professional platforms, including the PAEPARD D-Group which has more than 11,000 members. More than 100 people were invited to ACAFP’s Annual General Meeting in 2021. More people joined the Affiliate after its first food safety conference. A complimentary one-year membership was provided to students who paid to attend this event. ACAFP’s membership now stands at 193. To sustain membership, the following activities have been or will be rolled out:

- Creating a WhatsApp platform for all members to facilitate information sharing;
- Appointment of Professor Adewale Obadina as the Chair for Education and Training, responsible for webinars, among many things;
- The first webinar will take place the third week of August 2022 and be delivered by the Health and Environmental Sciences Institute (HESI) and the Joint Institute for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (JIFSAN); and
- A bank account has been opened in Nigeria, but discussions are ongoing to identify the easiest way members can pay their dues of $25 for professionals and $10 for students.

Other discussions included an announcement that the Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN) is implementing the EatSafe project in Nigeria and Ethiopia, with food safety information provided for the Affiliate website. The focus is on food safety in the traditional markets. A person from Cameroon encouraged more people to join ACAFP to help address food spoilage, a serious concern in Africa. We need to ensure that discussions continue beyond this meeting. A person from Nigeria commented that what is lacking is the relationship between academia and the corporate world. A private sector needs to be involved in the work of those from academia. A person from Cornell University stated that the institution conducts training on produce safety for Latin American countries, of which ACAFP can take advantage by contacting the Produce Safety Alliance.

The next ACAFP Annual General Meeting will be held during IAFP 2023 in Toronto, Ontario, Canada in July, with a few virtual meetings in-between.

Indian Association for Food Protection in North America: Annual Meeting Held During IAFP 2022

Reported by Manreet Bhullar, Secretary

More than 50 attendees participated in the Indian Association for Food Protection in North America (IAFPNA) Annual Meeting on August 1, 2022 during IAFP 2022 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Govindaraj Dev Kumar, President, opened the meeting, welcomed attendees, discussed the agenda, and
Dr. Nitin Dhowlaghar then shared updates on the assurance that the board would consider them when they see the Affiliate as a good fit for them; and shared ideas on recognizing and updating the number of students and young professionals in Affiliate meetings.

Attending members watched a pre-recorded presentation featuring Dr. Venugopal Gopikrishnan, Centre for Drug Discovery and Development, Satyabhama Institute of Science and Technology, who spoke on “Bioprospecting of Associated Actinobacteria.”

Next, Dr. Jitu Patel shared updates on the financial status of IAFPNA and its registration as a charity organization. He also talked about different strategies to increase membership.

Dr. Neetu Taneja then thanked Dr. Juneja for his guidance in applying and receiving the IAFP Travel Award for a Food Safety Professional in a Country with a Developing Economy. She stated that this award helped her with her professional development. She also shared information about a SIPS conference that is organized in India and suggested that IAFPNA collaborate with them and involve more student and professional membership from India.

Dr. Sharma thanked everyone for attending the meeting and suggested moving the Annual Meeting to Sunday (usually scheduled for Monday evening) during the IAFP Annual Meeting to encourage more interaction among IAFPNA members during the Annual Meeting. Dr. Amandeep and Dr. Singh suggested having an in-person seminar and not an online recorded seminar for next year’s IAFPNA meeting.

As a first-time attendee, Vijay Krishnan shared thoughts that IAFPNA should highlight the purpose/goal of the Affiliate to share information with current and prospective members to attend events and make them more engaging and impactful. He also shared ideas such as organizing mixer/social events, and offered his participation to help organize.

Dr. Soloman Rajkumar, first-time attendee from India, suggested organizing an event in collaboration with professionals from India, with Dr. Tanuja offering to help. Overall, it will aid in engaging more food science professionals from India and increase membership.

Moving forward, board members shared a need for two student liaisons to help with Affiliate activities. Upon the call for self-nominations, graduate students Gurpreet Chaggar (Ph.D. student) and Surbhi Wasson (M.S. student) volunteered during the next term.

In closing, Nitin Dhowlaghar was announced as the next Affiliate President and Manreet Bhullar will serve as Vice President. The Affiliate is seeking volunteers to serve as Secretary and Delegate during the next term. If interested, please reach out to Nitin or Manreet.

Bangladesh Association for Food Protection in North America: Annual Meeting Held During IAFP 2022

Reported by Nur A. Hasan, President

The Bangladesh Association for Food Protection in North America (BAFPNA) met on August 2, 2022 during IAFP 2022 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Twelve members, including all but one, attended the meeting in person.

Professor Salina Parveen, University of Maryland Eastern Shore and BAFPNA President, opened the meeting with a warm welcome before introducing Wendy White, IAFP Past Affiliate Council Chair, who spoke about IAFP and the Affiliate Council.

Dr. Parveen catalyzed the discussion on potential opportunities of Affiliate travel scholarships and membership waivers for food safety students and educators from developing countries, especially Bangladesh, to encourage their participation at IAFP 2023.

The meeting included a scientific presentation, “Impact of Seasonal Variation in Soil Microbiome of Dairy Farms and Risks Associated with Pathogen Transmission,” by Arpita Aditya, graduate student from the University of Maryland College Park, followed by a presentation on BAFPNA activities by Dr. Nur A. Hasan, Affiliate Secretary. Dr. Hasan congratulated the Affiliate Members for making so many impactful contributions and achievements at IAFP 2022 in Pittsburgh. Despite being a small and young Affiliate, BAFPNA Members made more than 25 significant contributions throughout the Annual
Meeting, including nine oral presentations, 13 poster authorships, one symposium convenor, one student award, and one Student Travel Scholarship Award.

BAFPNA Members also organized and successfully convened a symposium, “Addressing the Global Threat of Antimicrobial Resistance Using One Health Approach,” which was very well received and attended by more than 120 participants.

The meeting was adjourned through a Vote of Thanks by Affiliate Vice President, Professor Debabrata Biswas, University of Maryland, College Park, followed by a group dinner to celebrate the achievement of BAFPNA members and to welcome two new Affiliate Officers. Affiliate officers include:

President: Nur A. Hasan
Vice President: Debu Biswas
Secretary: Mohammad Aminul Islam
Treasurer: Arpita Aditya
Past President: Salina Parveen
Delegate: Md Niamul Kabir

Washington Association for Food Protection: Celebrating 71 Years!
Reported by Stephanie Olmsted, Secretary/Contact

Washington State University students pose with Professor Minto Michael (third from left) during the Washington Association for Food Protection’s 71st Affiliate Meeting, September 15–16.

Food Safety Consulting, Ltd., who presented “5 Keys to Building a Better Food Safety Culture;” Bill Marler, Marler Clark Attorneys at Law, who spoke on “Hot Topics in Food Safety;” and IAFP President Michelle Danyluk, University of Florida, who shared information on “Case Studies in Produce Production and Packaging.”

Several other speakers rounded out the agenda including presenters with WSDA and FDA, and WSU Food Science professors and students.

Charles Breen, formerly with FDA, was inducted into the Hall of Fame after a 41-year career with the FDA. We were honored to have Charles present to our group over the past 20 years. He also took valuable time from his busy career to serve as an active member of our Planning Committee.

The Awards Banquet was held on the final evening of the conference, with student scholarship awards presented to Dustin Johnson and Bradley Lubeck, both from Washington State University. Prior to the banquet, the third “Science and Cocktails” hour was held, allowing time with the students and their research poster presentations.
Newly elected officers include:

President: Virginia Ng
President-Elect: Stephanie Smith
Past President: Diep Wisniewski
Secretary/Contact: Stephanie Olmsted
Treasurer: Diep Wisniewski
Delegate: Minto Michael

Indiana Environmental Health Association: 71st Fall Annual Education Conference
Reported by Jennifer Heller, President-Elect

The Indiana Environmental Health Association (IEHA) held its 71st Fall Annual Education Conference September 19–21, 2022 in Nashville, Indiana at the Abe Martin Lodge in Brown County State Park. This year’s conference theme was “Environmental Health: Impact, Progress, and Issue Mitigation in Our World Today.” Attendees totaled 199.

Sessions included: “Lessons Learned: Moving Public Health Forward in Indiana,” presented by Christina Box, State Health Commissioner; “Dynamics of Change,” presented by Gale Prince, former President of IAFP (supported by the IAFP Executive Board Speaker Program); “Foodborne Illness Litigation,” presented virtually by Bill Marler, Marler Clark Attorneys at Law; “Managing Septic Systems for the Protection of Water Resources,” by Dr. Sara Heger, President of NOWRA, and “One Health with the Growth of Animal Agriculture,” with Dr. Bret Marsh, Indiana State Veterinarian.

Other diverse sessions included topics on charitable feedings and foodborne illness outbreaks, watershed management, secondary treatment, soil absorption fields downsizing and system maintenance, the Local Health Department’s role after a fire, vent hoods in food establishments, animal bite reporting, eyelash extensions, lead program updates, “Stop the Bleed” training, poisonous mushrooms, and more. Monday afternoon included the Local Health Department Managers Meeting.

In all, a total of 34 speakers presented during the conference. Evening programs included the Annual Awards Banquet, a naturalist talk, karaoke, a distillery tour, and a cookout with a live band entertaining attendees. There were also opportunities to explore the 18 miles of hiking trails, biking trails, and 65 miles of horseback trails in the 16,000-acre park.

IEHA Vice President Krista Click announced her venue selection of the Horizons Conference Center in Muncie, Indiana for the IEHA 2023 Fall Conference. Andrew Pappas will serve as incoming Vice President in 2023 and is coordinating the IEHA Spring Conference to be held in April.

AFFILIATE BRIEFS

Pennsylvania Association for Food Protection: Affiliate Name Updated

The Pennsylvania Association for Food Protection (PAFP) recently updated its Affiliate name to the Pennsylvania Association for Food Protection (PAFP) to better reflect its expanding mission and direction. The Association was founded in 1939 and served its members under several names before arriving at its most recent name.

New Zealand Association for Food Protection: New Officers Elected

The New Zealand Association for Food Protection (NZAFP) appointed new Affiliate officers in July, 2022. They are:

President: Craig Billington
Past President: Phil Bremer
Secretary: Aswathi Soni
Delegate: Roger Cook

Message from Affiliate Student Liaison

During the past year, the Student Professional Development Group (SPDG) has encouraged students to join their local Affiliates. To increase student awareness of Affiliates, Haknyeong Hong, representing international and Affiliate representatives of the SPDG, hosted a virtual coffee hour with Wendy White, Affiliate Council Chair, and Aaron Aboud, Trophy Foods, Inc. earlier in 2022. It was a great opportunity for students to learn about future career options and network with food safety professionals. Haknyeong has connected students who do not have a local Affiliate with an Affiliate in their respective area. She also shared student activities and events during the Affiliate Council Meeting at IAFP 2022. Haknyeong completed her term as student liaison to the Affiliates after completion of IAFP 2022. “It has been an honor to serve as the Affiliate representative for the SPDG. I’ve been pleased to help make new connections with IAFP Members.” Thank you, Haknyeong!

(From left): Amy Rhodes, Incoming Affiliate Chairperson, Haknyeong Hong, Student Representative, Wendy White, Past Affiliate Council Chair, and Susan Smith, IAFP Liaison, pose for a photo after completion of the Affiliate Council Meeting during IAFP 2022 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
Affiliate Council Welcomes
2022–2023 Secretary:
Fabiana Guglielmone

Fabiana Guglielmone was elected by acclamation of the IAFP Affiliate Council as Secretary for the 2022–2023 term on July 31, 2022. Fabiana’s term commenced at the close of the Affiliate Council Meeting during IAFP 2022 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. She will succeed Amy Rhodes as Chairperson for the 2023–2024 term.

In 2005, Fabiana joined Unilever in Buenos Aires, Argentina as a Quality Expertise Manager, a global function focusing on developing quality standards and systems; leading expert interventions; and auditing and training on topics such as microbiology and consumer safety, HACCP, hygiene, and Food Defense. Fabiana is also part of the Production Incident Managers team and leads a Laboratory Optimization project.

Fabiana previously spent many years teaching Food Microbiology, Food Safety, and HACCP at various universities in Buenos Aires. She is currently a Food Microbiology professor in the Food Safety master’s degree program (a postgraduate degree) at Isalud University, where she also participates in research studies related to Food Safety Culture. Her background also includes work as a microbiology analyst in a dressings factory in Buenos Aires; and several years spent in various processing and quality roles.

Fabiana has been an active member of the Argentine Microbiology Association (AAM) since the beginning of her career and joined its Directive Committee in 2019.

As a member of the Argentine Food Safety Commission, which she helped establish in 2015, Fabiana currently serves as its President, Delegate, and Contact. Since its start, the Affiliate has developed several symposia, courses, and workshops on food safety, as well as organizing the IAFP’s 6th Latin American Food Safety Symposium in 2018.

Fabiana joined IAFP in 1998.

Welcome!

2022 Affiliate Awards

Congratulations to the 2022 Affiliate Award recipients for their hard work during the past year! Four Affiliates were recognized with five awards during the Affiliate Council Meeting held on July 31, 2022. The C.B. Shogren Memorial Award was formally presented at the IAFP 2022 Awards Banquet on August 3 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

C.B. Shogren Memorial Award
Georgia Association for Food Protection

Affiliate Membership Achievement
African Continental Association for Food Protection

Affiliate Member Education
Indian Association for Food Protection in North America

Affiliate Communication Materials
British Columbia Food Protection Association

Best Overall Affiliate Meeting
Turkish Food Safety Association
AFFILIATE NEWS

NEXT AFFILIATE COUNCIL VIRTUAL MEETING

The Affiliate Council will continue its virtual meetings throughout the next year, based on the success of these meetings during the past year. These meetings were established in 2021 to provide Affiliate officers and members with more opportunities to discuss important and timely topics on a quarterly basis. The virtual meetings also allow the Affiliate Council Meeting, held during IAFP’s Annual Meeting, to be shortened significantly. Times will vary to accommodate as many international Affiliate attendees as possible.

The next Affiliate Council Virtual Meeting will take place on Tuesday, December 13, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. (Eastern Time). This meeting will review the Affiliate Council Strategic Plan that was slated to cover a two-year timeframe, and discussions will continue to share best practices. Two topics for this meeting are: “Expanding collaboration between Affiliates and PDGs;” and “How to better utilize information we already have available to us.” Participants are encouraged to bring information/ideas/concerns on topics you would like to pursue within this one-hour meeting. If you are unable to attend but have a topic of discussion, contact Amy Rhodes, Affiliate Council Chair; Fabiana Guglielmone, Affiliate Council Secretary; or Susan Smith, Affiliate Council Liaison. All meetings are recorded and posted on IAFP Connect for all IAFP Members to review after conclusion. A summary of the December 13 meeting will also be included in the Winter issue of Affiliate View.

AFFILIATE ANNUAL REPORTS DUE TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2023

All Affiliate Annual Reports are due Tuesday, March 7, 2023 for activities taking place during 2022. Please take time to review the information sent by Susan Smith, Affiliate Liaison, to all Affiliate officers (reminders will continue to be sent to those who have yet to submit a report).

Even if your Affiliate did not participate in any activities (meetings, webinars, etc.) during 2022, an Annual Report submission is still required, according to the Bylaws. Annual Reports serve as information to keep IAFP updated on current officers, past and upcoming meetings, websites, etc. All Annual Reports are to be submitted electronically. Membership lists are no longer a requirement when submitting your Report.

Consider applying for one of the five Affiliate awards during your submission process. Awards include Membership Achievement; Best Overall Affiliate Meeting; Affiliate Communication Materials; Affiliate Member Education; and the C.B. Shogren Memorial Award.

For questions on submitting your Annual Report, contact Susan Smith.

NEED A GREAT SPEAKER AT A LOW COST FOR YOUR NEXT AFFILIATE MEETING?

One of the many benefits Affiliates receive from IAFP is the opportunity to include a professional food safety expert to speak at your Affiliate meetings about numerous food safety topics. IAFP speakers not only provide additional resources from which Affiliates can choose, but also contribute a more diversified selection of food safety-related topics.

Each Affiliate may request one Executive Board speaker or your selection from the expanded IAFP Speaker Program list for one Affiliate meeting within a 12-month calendar year. A two-month advance notice is required. IAFP will support the travel expense to your meeting location for the Executive Board Member or your selection from the expanded Speaker Program list. The Affiliate covers local expenses, including meals, lodging, and local transportation. To invite a speaker for your next Affiliate meeting, contact Susan Smith.

GIVING TUESDAY HELPS THE IAFP FOUNDATION

Tuesday, November 29, 2022 is “Giving Tuesday.” This special day was created to promote the spirit and act of giving, providing the opportunity to transform local communities and the world. One way IAFP Members and other food safety professionals can give is through financial support to the IAFP Foundation. Big or small, donations to the Foundation continue to give throughout the year to other food safety professionals around the world, supporting programs that impact the future of food science and food safety and providing opportunities to those who otherwise would not receive. To learn more about donating to the IAFP Foundation, visit the IAFP website. Contributions can be set up as one-time or recurring and are often tax-deductible (check with your tax adviser). Together we give.
The Affiliate Council met on July 31 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania during IAFP 2022. Following are the official minutes that will be published in the November–December issue of Food Protection Trends.

**Affiliate Delegates Present:**
- Africa: Joseph Odumeru
- Alabama: Neil Bogart
- Argentina: Fabiana Guglielmone
- California: David Shelep
- Capital Area: Jenny Scott
- Colombia: Janeth Luna
- Florida: Matthew Krug
- Georgia: Wendy White
- Japan: Shige Koseki
- Indian in NA: Amandeep Dhillon
- Missouri: Nathan Mirdamadi
- New Jersey: Jason Udrija
- New York: Amy Rhodes
- Ohio: Christina Wilson
- Ontario: Nadia Narine
- Quebec: Julie Jean
- Southeast Asia: Alvin Lee
- United Kingdom: Helen Taylor
- Upper Midwest: Dan Erickson
- Washington: Minto Michael
- Wisconsin: Erin Headley

**IAFP Board/Staff Present:** Ruth Petran, Michelle Danyuk, Jose Emilio Esteban, David Tharp, Lisa Hovey, Susan Smith.

**Visitors/Guests:** Hiroki Abe (Chinese in NA); Jennifer Acuff (Arkansas); Takiyah Bail (Wisconsin); Dave Blomquist (Minnesota); Gale Beard (Wisconsin); Yige Bima (Michigan); Makena Brand (California); Caio Carvalho (Brazil); Govindaraj Dev Kumar (Indian in NA); Nitin Dhowlaghar (Indian in NA); Francisco Garces-Vega (Colombia); Lauren Hamilton (California); Minji Hur (Student Representative); Haknyeong Hong (Student Representative); Zi Hua (Chinese in NA); Peter Kennedy (Africa); Kento Koyama (Japan); David Lloyd (United Kingdom); Deon Mahoney (Australia); Diego Romulo (Argentina); Kristin Schill (Wisconsin); Tom Sidebottom (California); Gabriela Stancaneli (Argentina); Ren Yang (Chinese in NA); Jiyoung Yi (Student Representative).

**Meeting Called to Order:** 7:36 a.m. (US Eastern Time), Sunday, July 31, 2022.

**Minutes Recording Secretary:** Amy Rhodes.

**Agenda:** The agenda was reviewed and approved.

**Delegate Roll Call:** Captured by badge scanning.

**Approval of 2021 Minutes:** A motion to amend as follows was approved and seconded:

- Peter Kennedy (Africa Affiliate) should be listed as a Visitor/Guest.

Meeting adjourned should read 11:03 a.m. (U.S. Eastern Time)

**Report from Affiliate Chairperson:** Wendy White provided the following updates:

- Acknowledgment of 2021 milestone Affiliate anniversaries (responses from attendees):
  - Georgia Association for Food Protection – 40 years
  - California Association for Food Protection is now official.
  - Ontario Association for Food Protection – 65 years
  - Indian Association for Food Protection in North America – held the highest number of talks in India during the past year.
  - African Continental Association for Food Protection – membership grew by almost 70% and their first Annual Meeting was very successful. Peter Kennedy added that this inaugural event had 40 countries represented.

**Report from IAFP President:** Ruth Petran, IAFP President, gave the IAFP Board update. She talked about this year’s Annual Meeting being approximately 80% of the attendees from 2019, with 80% of exhibitors attending. The Association is making progress and working toward our new normal. She encouraged visiting the exhibitors as they are an important part of the IAFP family who need our support. Explore the Floor is back this year as is the Exhibitors Showcase. Giant Eagle was huge with helping with local arrangements and putting conference bags together. Ruth asked that we work with the PDGs on recommendations, which are due by Thursday morning. She also asked that Members monitor IAFP Connect because that is how PDGs communicate. As you are thinking about your Affiliate programs, think about DEI. Webinars are free to all members, so please consider holding one. The Foundation has a goal of $4 million for its 40th anniversary. This will allow more to attend our Annual Meeting. Ruth also spoke about the transition of JFP to Elsevier, allowing for more people to get information in an open access format. Questions about this can be answered by representatives at the IFT booth in the Exhibit Hall. Next year’s meeting is in Toronto, and Ruth reminded attendees to update their passports.

**Report from IAFP Executive Director:** David Tharp reported that approximately 3,000 attendees are at IAFP 2022. Last year’s meeting was a hybrid, with some kinks in the process. This year is exciting to see people in person. Sessions where presenters have agreed are being recorded, and the content will be available for attendees; those who couldn’t attend can purchase.
2021, all committee meetings were held virtually, with this year's back to in person. Our international meetings are continuing well such as the first African meeting, along with Chile, Argentina, Dubai, and China. Dubai and China will be held again later this year, as well as Turkey and Latin America. IAFP is continuing to do well, with David thanking the attendees.

Report from IAFP Staff Liaison: Susan Smith reported 43 of 55 active Affiliates (78%) had filed their 2021 Annual Reports, but all Affiliates need to submit an Annual Report as stated by IAFP Bylaws. All Reports are to be submitted electronically as one email if possible. Member lists are no longer required to help save time. She encouraged Affiliates to apply for one or more awards. This year, 14 Affiliates applied, an increase over last year. We had several Affiliates receiving awards for the first time so know that your hard work can pay off. 2021 Affiliate Annual Reports will be posted on the IAFP website in a few weeks. There were no issues in submitting for 2021 activities. Websites are relied upon for important information, so please keep them updated and active. Affiliates were reminded to take advantage of IAFP’s Executive Board Speaker Program for an affordable and informative speaker for upcoming meetings, whether in person or virtually. If Affiliates collect dues through IAFP, update us with any changes in amounts. No new charters were established since the 2020 Affiliate Council Meeting. If interested in establishing one, let us know.

Discussions: Wendy discussed the notes from the three virtual meetings held throughout the past year. Calls were held in November 2021, March 2022, and June 2022. The calls were recorded and are available on IAFP Connect. Wendy or Susan can help if you need help navigating the platform, and can be sent to those requesting the recordings.

Wendy went through the proposed changes to the Affiliate Council Operational Guidelines (Attachment B). Dan Erickson recommended to change the word “active” to “current” in the Membership (Section A). Motion was seconded and verbal vote accepted. A second motion was made to strike the wording in Part B from a 2-year term total instead of the 4-year term total. There was no second on the recommended change. An open discussion then took place with pros and cons on the change request. Motion was made and seconded to have voting take place by email. Strike the words “if necessary” in Section III, #5, 2, and additional wording was changed to say the candidate would be selected by the Delegates and those “self-nominated.” Motion was made to approve and seconded. Motion was made and seconded to remain at one-year terms for each of the Affiliate Council officers. Motion passed.

Election of Affiliate Council Secretary: Minto Michael, Delegate from Washington, offered to stand for election for Affiliate Council Secretary for 2022–2023, then declined when he knew Fabiana Guglielmone, Delegate from Argentina, had previously offered to stand. Fabiana gave a short recap of her career. No other nominations came from the floor. Vote was taken and passed to elect Fabiana Guglielmone as incoming Affiliate Council Secretary.
Presentation of the Affiliate Awards: Wendy highlighted the achievements of the award recipients and announced the 2022 Affiliate Awards as follows:

**Affiliate Membership Achievement** - African Continental Association for Food Protection

**Affiliate Member Education** - Indian Association for Food Protection in North America

**Affiliate Communication Materials** - British Columbia Food Protection Association

**Best Overall Affiliate Meeting** - Turkish Food Safety Association

The Georgia Association for Food Protection received the **C.B. Shogren Memorial Award**, which will be part of the Awards Recognition Presentation at IAFP 2022.

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:** Haknyeong Hong gave an update on the Student PDG. During the past year, members have reached out to other students and stressed upon those who had earned awards from their Affiliates, along with hosting coffee meetings. They continue to work on networking techniques and will continue with their coffee hours, changing the times up so all time zones are taken into account.

Next, on behalf of Dina Siedenberg, Susan gave a short presentation on IAFP webinars. The Association has had a good turnout, with some having several hundred attendees from around the world. Submit your ideas to the IAFP Board so that we can continue these as an inexpensive education opportunity. If you have an Affiliate meeting with a great speaker and topic, consider this as a webinar, which are free and open to anyone. Wendy added that at least two Affiliates have held IAFP webinars. The Association handled all of the logistics, and the Affiliate only had to schedule the speakers. As a result, hundreds of people attended. All Members can access the recordings on the IAFP website, with some posted in the archives for review at any time.

**Recommendations to the Executive Board:**

The Affiliate Council recommends that the changes to the Affiliate Council Operational Guidelines be approved.

The Affiliate Council recommends that Fabiana Guglielmone be appointed as the next Affiliate Council Secretary.

**Passing of the Gavel:** Chairperson Wendy White passed the gavel to Amy Rhodes, signifying the beginning of Amy’s term as the Affiliate Council Chair, official after the completion of IAFP 2022.

**Next Meeting Date:** Virtual meetings will continue and be set up soon. The next in-person meeting is Sunday, July 16, 2023, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Meeting Adjourned at: 9:23 a.m. (U.S. Eastern Time).

Chairperson Name: Amy Rhodes.
IAFP HEADLINES

UPCOMING IAFP MEETINGS

IAFP’s two largest meetings will bring together food safety professionals from around the world. Plan now to attend the 2023 IAFP European Symposium on Food Safety. The Symposium is an excellent forum to gain knowledge about the latest developments and techniques in food science and safety. This meeting will be held 3–5 May 2023 in beautiful Aberdeen, Scotland.

IAFP 2023 is also well into the planning stages. Held in various locations throughout North America, our Annual Meeting has grown over the years to become the leading food safety conference worldwide. IAFP 2023 will be held July 16–19 in Toronto, Ontario, Canada at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre.

Registration and hotel information for both meetings will open in early 2023. Please watch for IAFP announcements for both events as we grow closer to the dates.

Plan Ahead for IAFP 2023

If planning to attend IAFP 2023 in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, July 16–19, IAFP advises to plan well ahead to make sure you are up-to-date with required information.

First, check your passport expiration date. Allow plenty of time to renew or apply for a passport. Passports and visas can often take several months to obtain. Next, check the travel requirements in Canada by going to https://travel.gc.ca/. This website includes services and information you’ll need to know about traveling to, from, and within the country. Include IAFP 2023 in your budget. Registration and hotel reservations will open in January 2023.

If interested in promoting your company, you can sign up now as an IAFP 2023 exhibitor. Visit the IAFP website to learn more.

2023 SUBMISSIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED

Tuesday, January 17, 2023 is the abstract submission deadline for both the IAFP European Symposium on Food Safety and IAFP 2023. Plan now to take part in these key events! To learn more about submissions for each of these meetings, visit the IAFP website and go to the Events and Meetings tab.

UPCOMING IAFP WEBINARS

IAFP is pleased to offer two upcoming FREE webinars.

“Navigating the USAJOBS Application Process” is a two-hour webinar on Tuesday, December 6, 2022, organized by the Student Professional Development Group (PDG). The Office of Personnel Management will provide a 1.5-hour presentation on how to navigate the USAJOBS application process including how to find and apply for federal jobs. A 30-minute Q&A will follow.

“A Comparison Between Manual and Automated Microbial Testing Methods” is a one-hour webinar scheduled for Tuesday, January 31, 2023 that will discuss the advantages and disadvantages of various manual and automated methods used in a microbial testing lab. A case study will also be discussed. Registration for both IAFP webinars is FREE; participants must register in advance. Visit the IAFP website to learn more.

MAKE A NOTE: IAFP 2023 AWARD NOMINATION AND APPLICATION DEADLINE

IAFP welcomes your nominations for our Association awards. 2023 criteria and forms are now posted on the IAFP website. You are not required to be an IAFP Member to nominate a deserving professional or colleague for one of our awards. We also encourage Members to apply for the IAFP Travel Award for State or Provincial Health or Agricultural Department Employees in North America and for the IAFP Travel Award for Food Safety Professionals in a Country with a Developing Economy to attend IAFP 2023 in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Student Members are also invited to submit an application for the Student Travel Scholarship to attend IAFP 2023. Deadline for all award nominations and applications is Tuesday, February 14, 2023.
October 2022
(October and November meetings were held prior to print production.)
13: Japan Association for Food Protection, 2022 Annual Symposium (virtual). For more information, contact Mami Furukawa at mfurukawa@neogen.com.
19: Iowa Association for Food Protection, 2022 Annual Meeting, Calmar, Iowa. For more information, contact Lynne Melchert at lmelchert@prairiefarms.com.
27: Ohio Association for Food Protection, 2022 Fall Conference, Columbus, Ohio. Visit www.ohiofoodprotection.org/.

November 2022
15: Ontario Food Protection Association, 65th Fall Food Safety Symposium & General Meeting, Mississauga, Ontario. Visit www.ofpa.on.ca/.
16: United Kingdom Association for Food Protection, 19th Annual Meeting, Cardiff, United Kingdom. For more information, contact Helen Taylor at hrtaylor@cardiffmet.ac.uk.

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To request these items for your next meeting, call or email Susan Smith at the IAFP Office.

To be featured in the next issue of Affiliate View, send your news and photos by December 9 to Susan Smith at ssmith@foodprotection.org.
IAFP EXECUTIVE BOARD SPEAKER PROGRAM
FOR AFFILIATES

How It Works

1. IAFP Board Members are available to speak at Affiliate meetings on numerous topics involving food safety.

2. Each Affiliate may request one Executive Board speaker for one Affiliate meeting within a 12-month calendar year.

3. A minimum of 15 minutes should be allowed for the Board Member to deliver information about the International Association for Food Protection in addition to their main subject(s) (see #1).

4. IAFP will pay the Board Member’s expense to travel to the Affiliate meeting location.

5. The Affiliate covers local expenses, including meals, lodging, and local transportation for the Board Member.

6. The Board Member makes their own travel reservations and will submit an expense report to the IAFP office within 10 days of completion of their travel to the Affiliate meeting. Any local expense (see #5) will be billed to the Affiliate.

7. A two-month advance notice is required.

8. To invite a Board Member to speak at your Affiliate meeting, contact Susan Smith, IAFP Affiliate Services, at +1 515.276.3344; or email ssmith@foodprotection.org. (Please do not contact Board Members directly until approved by IAFP.)

Michelle Danyluk, Ph.D., University of Florida
President

- What You Need to Know About the Produce Safety Rule
- Managing Risk in a Field of Uncertainty: Pathogens in the Produce Production Environment
- How Did That Get There? Case Studies in Produce Production and Packing

Roger Cook, Ph.D., New Zealand Food Safety
President-Elect, pro tem

- Foodborne STECs – An International Perspective
- Regulatory Food Control Plans – A Practical International Perspective
- The Future: Culture Independent Confirmation & Qualitative Chemical Hazard Characterization

Mark Carter, MC Squared
Vice President

- Method Development and Validation
- Statistical Sampling Plans and Development

Manpreet Singh, Ph.D., University of Georgia
Secretary

- Managing Risks in Meat & Poultry Processing
- Food Safety Management Systems in Food Processing
- Antimicrobial Resistance of Foodborne Pathogens

Ruth Petran, Ph.D., Ruth Petran Consulting, LLC
Past President

- Sanitation Preventive Controls
- Norovirus Management

Amy Rhodes, HP Hood LLC
Affiliate Council Chair

- Supply Chain Safety
- Maintaining a Quality Management System
- Managing a Food Safety Management System (how food safety, food defense, and food fraud all work together)

Fabiana Guglielmone, Unilever
Affiliate Council Secretary

- Are We Learning from Food Safety Marketplace Incidents?
- Allergen Management
- Importance of Hygienic Design and Proper Validation of Cleaning and Sanitation Procedures
IAFP SPEAKER PROGRAM (EXPANDED)

Jim Dickson, Ph.D.
Iowa State University
- Foodborne Pathogens in Meat: Progress and Challenges
- Interventions to Control Foodborne Pathogens in Meat
- Food Safety Issues with Pet Food
- Process Validation for Food Safety

Jeff Farber, Ph.D.
University of Guelph
- Overview of Raw Milk Cheese Issues in Canada
- Risk Assessment and Risk Management of Foodborne Listeriosis in Canada
- A Dummy’s Guide to Free Online Predictive Modelling Tools
- Emerging Foodborne Pathogens

Kathy Glass, Ph.D.
University of Wisconsin – Madison
- Opportunities and Limitations of Clean Label Antimicrobials
- Validating Formulation Safe RTE Foods
- Intervention Strategies to Control Listeria monocytogenes in Ready-to-Eat Foods
- Control of Sporeforming Bacteria During Extended Cooling and Refrigerated Storage

Linda Harris, Ph.D.
University of California – Davis
- Tree Nuts: Food Safety Risks and Intervention Strategies
- Low-moisture Foods: Food Safety Challenges and Opportunities
- Low-moisture Foodborne Outbreak Case Studies: Lessons Learned
- Microbial Food Safety and Culinary Herbs

Tim Jackson, Ph.D.
U.S. Food & Drug Administration
- Food Safety Management
- Food Microbiology
- Regulatory Food Safety

Gale Prince
Retired/Consultant
- So You Chose Food Safety as a Career Choice
- Food Safety Culture Drives Excellence
- Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA)

Mickey Parish, Ph.D.
U.S. Food & Drug Administration (retired)
- Science and Policy in Government
- Listeria in Foods

Don Schaffner, Ph.D.
Rutgers University
- Understanding and Managing Food Safety Risks
- Quantitative Microbial Risk Assessment of Foods
- Development and Application of Predictive Models for Food Microbiology
- Handwashing, Hand Sanitizers, and Cross-Contamination

Don Zink, Ph.D.
IEH Laboratories & Consulting Group
- FSMA Implementation – Foreign Supplier Verification and Preventive Controls
- Environmental Pathogen Monitoring
- Controlling Listeria and Salmonella

Alejandro Mazzotta, Ph.D.
Chobani, Inc.
- Dairy Food Safety and Spoilage
- FSMA and Regulatory Compliance
- Food Safety and Quality Systems

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IAFP 2025, July 27–30, Cleveland, Ohio