Beverages and Acid/Acidified Foods PDG

Attendees: Dan Anderson, Elizabeth Andress, Dory Barninka, Fred Breidt, Greg Burnham, Frank Burns, Erdogan Ceylan, Suchart Chaven, Stella Chen, Marlo Darken, Nomie Desriac, Ruth Eden, Linda Harris, Shauna Henley, Barbara Hunt, Brandee Hunter, Ingrid Huntley, Michelle Iannucci, Barbara Ingham, Keith Ito, Stephen Kenney, Jason Khoo, Elke Kohler, Y. Jennifer Lee, Quanhong Li, Suzanne S Mailman, Joseph Meyer, Steven Murphy, Wilfredo Ocasio, Deog-Hwan Oh, Amy Parks, Tracy Posavatz, Erin Post, Florence Postollec, Gale Prince, Daniel Quillen, Emilia Rico-Munoz, Jena Roberts, Patricia Rule, Paula Safko, Sarah Sanderson, Kristin Schill, Jean Schoeni, Jay Schuman, Yael Sellman, Weilin Shelver, Tracey Sinclair, Pamela Sinderson, Kevin Smith, Mehgan Styke, Ben Tall, Malcond Valladares, Purnendu Vasavada, Paul Winniczuk, Florence Wu, May Yeow, and Michelle You. Number of Attendees: 57

Meeting Called to Order: 1:00 p.m., Sunday, July 31, 2016.

Minutes Recording Secretary: Fred Breidt and Wilfredo Ocasio.

Old Business: Approval of 2015 meeting minutes.

New Business:

- Call for nominations for vice chair: Dr. Barbara Ingham nominated.
- Ruth Eden presented a new website (http://ask-bioexpert.com/) which is a new interactive forum for the discussion of topics facing the food safety community. It will be a place for the exchange of information, get expert opinions, and to deal with hot topics as they emerge. It will also enable the experts to introduce themselves to the community. Ruth invited all attendees to be a part of this activity and help shape this new form of communication. Brief discussion of the two symposia for the current (2016) meeting sponsored by the PDG.
- Antitrust statement.
- Update from the IAFP Board by Dr. Linda Harris.

Discussion of topics for the 2017 meeting:

- Workshop proposal for 2017, Workshop on fungal identification Dr. Emilia Rico-Munoz, proposed for the 2017 meeting
- Proposed Symposia topics for 2017:

1. Innovation, regulation, and validation fundamentals for beverages and acid/acidified foods" Patricia Rule, Megan Stylke, Erdogan Celyon (with fruit and vegetable PDG?) 30 minutes for each overview topic – innovation; regulation; validation. Challenges to innovation, regulation and

validation for beverages and high-acid foods. The effects of spoilage on mycotoxin production –

Emilia Rico-Munoz.

2. Evaluation of surrogates in high acid-low moisture foods: Jena Roberts recommended as a topic

within a larger symposium; perhaps one focusing on surrogates.

3. Proton transfer mass spectroscopy as a tool for quality and safety: F. Breidt and Frank Burns (with

Advanced Molecular Analysis PDG).

4. Predictive modeling: Florence Postollec and Emilia Rico-Munoz.

5. High throughput Sequencing microbial ecology methods for beverage and fermented/acidified

food ecology and safety: Fred Breidt and Frank Burns.

6. Validation of aseptic filling processes: Greg Burnham and Wiledo Ocasio.

7. Developments in mold spoilage and mycotoxin production: Emilia Rico-Munoz and Margareta

Gomez.

8. Preventative controls and environmental monitoring programs for quality and safety of beverages

and acid/acidified foods: Mehgan Styke.

Recommendations to the Executive Board:

1. Dr. Barbara Ingham was unanimously elected vice-chair, subject to approval by the IAFP

Board.

2. PDG affiliations should be included with the information in the program about each

symposium. It was also recommended that the IAFP app symposia be searchable by PDG

affiliation.

Next Meeting Date: July 9, 2017, Tampa, Florida.

Meeting Adjourned: 3:20 p.m.

Chairperson: Fred Breidt.