Water Safety and Quality PDG

Members Present: Susan K. McKnight (outgoing Chairperson), Louise Fielding, Kathleen Glass, Peter Kennedy, Marilyn Lee, Douglas Marshall, Joseph Odumeru, Otto Simmons III, Ron Wasik, Dorothy Wrigley and Charles Young.

Board/Staff Member Present: Alejandro Mazzotta.

New Members: Joe Heidenreich, David Grant, Sharan Lanini, Yifan Zhang and Bill Lachowsky.

Visitors/Guests: Jennifer Shields, Rachel McEgan and Kaiping Deng.

Meeting Called to Order: 8:05 a.m., Sunday, July 28, 2013.

Recording Secretary of Minutes: Louise Fielding.

Old Business:

- 1. Reviewed 2012 meeting minutes. Noted that Dorothy Wright should read Wrigley.
- 2. Discussed the webinar (August 2012 (Airline Water Regulations, EPA/FDA).

New Business:

- 1. Nomination of vice-chair Louise Fielding, Cardiff Metropolitan University.
- Marilyn Lee requested volunteers to assist in completing the review of "Procedures to Investigate Waterborne Illness." Authors are needed for the chapter regarding the role of water used in food (irrigation and misting of produce) as well as reviewing already modified chapters.
- 3. Chip Simmons updated PDG members with the activities of the NoroCORE project.
- 4. Kathy Glass updated PDG members regarding upcoming meetings on water quality and food safety, scheduled for 19th September. Additionally, there will be a webinar by Simon Toze (CSIRO) at the Wisconsin Centre for Sustainability and the Global Environment. This will be archived and available for download from the University of Wisconsin Web site.
- 5. Chip Simmons proposed that we should talk with the Produce PDG about agriculture and food production pre-harvest irrigation and post-harvest processing of produce and the role of water.
- 6. Topic ideas to be developed for next year for symposium or roundtable for IAFP 2014, or for webinars during the year:
 - a. Global water standards practical applications, implications for global trade (potentially a short symposium, Susan McKnight, David Grant and Joseph Odumeru).
 - b. Resource Extraction the tension between ensuring adequate resources (including energy and water) and the impact of this on water safety and

quality. This can be further split into: Mother Nature (extreme weather, areas under permanent water stress – webinar?); the Food Industry (and its self-destruction); energy and water (Louise Fielding, Dorothy Wrigley and David Grant).

c. Water and food defense (Peter Kennedy, Chuck Young and Bill Lachowsky).

Recommendations to the Executive Board:

- 1. Approve the nomination of Louise Fielding as new Vice Chair.
- 2. Consider the use of online tools such as Dropbox or Google Drive as an alternative to iCloud for the storage of documents for easy access by members.

Next Meeting Date: IAFP 2014, August 3-6, Indianapolis. IN.

Meeting Adjourned: 9.45 a.m.

Chairperson: Louise Fielding (for Wendy Maduff).