Feed Labeling Committee – Special Meeting

Meeting Minutes
Tuesday February 19, 2019
12:00 – 12:30 PM Eastern
Conference Call

Committee Participants
Members Present:
David Dressler (PA), Dave Phillips (ND), Heather Bartley (WI), Liz Beckman (WA), Al Harrison (KY), Jason Schmidt (LA), Tim Darden (NM), Miriam Johnson (NC), George Ferguson (NC), Erin Bubb (PDA), Steve Gramlich (NE), and Mika Alewynse (FDA).

Advisors Present:
Dave Dzanis (ACVN/APPA), Meghan Dicks (AFIA), Jan Campbell (NGFA), Chris Olinger (NGFA), and Pat Tovey (PFI).

Guest Present: Sue Hayes (AAFCO)

Absent: Michelle Boyd (IA), Stevie Glaspie (MI), Richard Ten Eyck (OR), Angela Mills (AFIA), Ed Rod (APPA), and James Emerson (US Poultry).

Introductions
David Dressler called the meeting to order at 12:02 PM EDT. Roll call of members and advisors was taken and a quorum was established (12 out of 15).

Online Database of Ingredients
David Dressler explained the sole purpose of this special meeting was to determine the future of the Online Database of Ingredients (ODI), which is currently a workgroup within the feed labeling committee. The goal of the meeting is to determine if the ODI project should remain within feed labeling, or if it should be moved to the board for reassignment.

Jan Campbell stated she thinks it is too big for the feed labeling committee and that workgroup members could change.

Heather Bartley questioned who operates the Feed BIN, because perhaps that group could manage ODI. Sue Hayes stated the feed BIN is completely managed by Richard Ten Eyck.

Dave Phillips mentioned the AAFCO Board of Directors is in the process of forming a technology committee, which could be an option for the future place of ODI.

Mike Alewynse stated that ODI could be expanded into other label aspects.

MOTION: Heather Bartley moves to disband the ODI work group in feed labeling and move this project to the board to determine where this will reside. Jason Schmidt seconds.

DISCUSSION:
Al Harrison stated he would vote against the motion, because the ODI project is a feed labeling issue. David Phillips stated that this is more than one committee.

Since ODI only addresses ingredients, it would make sense to have ODI in the ingredient definitions committee. Would claims and guarantees be addressed? The upgrades can be discussed in feed labeling (or other committees) and then passed on the group that manages ODI. Dave Phillips stated that various committees could move suggestions up to the board or we could have a liaison from the committee to the group that houses ODI in the future.

George Ferguson stated that the IT committee would not put anything in place on their own. They would just aid feed labeling committee or any other committee with changes they want. The IT committee only helps facilitate the tasks assigned to them. The IT committee was not formed to make decisions.

Hearing no further discussion, David Dressler called for a vote on the motion made by Heather Bartley. MOTION PASSED 11-1.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 PM