AAFCO 2020 Midyear Meeting
Hyatt Regency
Albuquerque, New Mexico
January 19-23, 2020

Agenda

Sunday, January 19th
8:00am – 3:00 pm – Board of Directors ~ Fiesta Room, 2nd Floor
3:00pm – 5:00 pm – Board of Directors/Committee Chairs Meeting ~ Fiesta Room, 2nd Floor

Monday, January 20th
7:00 am – 5:00 pm – Registration Desk Open ~ Grand Pavilion Landing, 2nd Level
8:00 am – 5:00 pm – Medicated Feed Labeling Workshop (Separate Registration Fee) ~ Grand Pavilion Ballroom 1-3, 2nd Floor
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm – AAFCO 101 Welcome Reception ~ Whyte Room, 1st Floor

Tuesday, January 21st
7:00 am – 8:00 am – Morning Coffee Service ~ Grand Pavilion Court, 2nd Floor
7:00 am – 5:00 pm – Registration ~ Grand Pavilion Landing, 2nd Level
8:00 am – 10:30 am – Welcome, Business Meeting, Keynote Speaker ~ Grand Pavilion Ballroom 1-5, 2nd Floor

Keynote Speaker: Michelle Miller “Farm Babe”; “Food Systems Security: Feeding the World”

Michelle Miller, better known as the Farm Babe, is an online influencer, columnist for AGDAILY.com, international keynote speaker, and farmer. She is based in northeast Iowa with her boyfriend where they raise sheep and beef cattle and grow 2,000 acres of corn, soybeans, oats, hay and rye.

She started her social media outreach over five years ago as a way to better bridge the gap between farmers and consumers and has made a name for herself as a dedicated “mythbuster” in food and farming. With over 120,000 followers and an average social media reach of 3 million views monthly, she has been featured in Forbes as one of the most reputable and followed farmers in social media, was recently a guest on Dr. Drew, and has proudly spoken alongside some of the biggest names in food and farming today.

10:30 am – 11:00 am – Coffee Break ~ Grand Pavilion Court, 2nd Floor
11:00 am – 11:30 am – Current Issues and Outreach Committee ~ Grand Pavilion Ballroom 1-5, 2nd Floor
11:30 am – 12:45 pm – Investigator Lunch (closed) ~ Enchantment E-F, 2nd Floor

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Lunch – On Your Own (11:30am-12:45pm)

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm - Model Bills & Regulations Committee ~ Grand Pavilion Ballroom 1-5, 2nd Floor

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm – Inspection & Sampling Committee ~ Grand Pavilion Ballroom 1-5, 2nd Floor

1:00 pm – 5:30 pm – Proficiency Testing Program Committee ~ Grand Pavilion Ballroom 6, 2nd Floor

3:00 pm – 3:30 pm – Break ~ Grand Pavilion Court, 2nd Floor

3:30 pm – 5:30 pm – Enforcement Issues Committee (closed) ~ Grand Pavilion Ballroom 1-5, 2nd Floor

Wednesday, January 22nd

7:00 am – 8:00 am – Morning Coffee Service ~ Grand Pavilion Court, 2nd Floor

7:00 am – 5:00 pm – Registration ~ Grand Pavilion Landing, 2nd Level

8:00 am – 9:00 am – Keynote Speaker ~ Grand Pavilion Ballroom 1-5, 2nd Floor

“New Mexico Agriculture: Rooted in our history, diversity, and innovation” by Tara Vander Dussen

Tara Vander Dussenn is a New Mexico native, growing up her whole life on her family dairy farm in Eastern New Mexico. Now Tara and her husband, Daniel, along with their two daughters, have a dairy farm with her husband’s family. Tara has worked as an environmental scientist for the last 9 years on dairy farm projects throughout the southwest. As project manager, she assists her clients with state and federal regulatory compliance, water conservation, sustainable management practices, and quarterly monitoring reports. She provides direction to producers on environmental concerns. And as a certified NRCS technical service provider, Tara is able to assist producers with nutrient and irrigation management.

Tara’s passion is advocating for modern dairy farming by sharing her story about life on her family dairy through her blog, New Mexico Milkmaid, and her social media platforms. By using her voice, she hopes to change people’s perceptions of farmers and dairy farming. New Mexico Milkmaid now has a community of more than 27,000 followers. And she has had the opportunity to speak at national and global conferences about dairy sustainability including at the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization Committee on World Food Security and the Forbes AgTech Summit. Tara also serves as the President of United Dairy Women, a charity committed to providing local New Mexico children’s homes with the recommended three servings of dairy a day for the entire year. United Dairy Women has raised more than $1.3 million to further their causes. She graduated Magna Cum Laude with a BS in Soil, Water and Environmental Science from the University of Arizona with a focus in both, Policy and Law and Soil Chemistry.
9:00 am – 9:30 am – Coffee Break ~ Grand Pavilion Court, 2nd Floor

9:30 am – 5:30 pm – Laboratory Methods & Services Committee ~ Grand Pavilion Ballroom 6, 2nd Floor

9:30 am – 12:00 pm – Pet Food Committee ~ Grand Pavilion Ballroom 1-5, 2nd Floor

12:00 pm – 1:15 pm – Finance Committee (closed) ~ Enchantment E-F, 2nd Floor

Lunch on Your Own (12:00pm-1:15pm)

1:30 pm – 2:00 pm – Keynote Speaker ~ Grand Pavilion Ballroom 1-5, 2nd Floor

“Sustainability: Our purpose is to repurpose” by Randall Stuewe, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Darling Ingredient Inc.’s

Randall C. Stuewe has served as Darling Ingredient Inc.’s (NYSE: DAR), Chairman and Chief Executive Officer since February 2003. He has been instrumental in re-branding, re-inventing, and repositioning Darling Ingredients into being the global leader in the production of sustainable natural ingredients from slaughtered animal by-products for food, feed, and fuel for the world’s growing population. Headquartered in Dallas with over 215 locations on 5 continents and 10,000 employees has built Darling from a regional US based company into the recognized global leader in animal and natural based ingredients.

Prior to joining Darling, Mr. Stuewe worked for ConAgra Foods, Inc. from 1996 to 2002, holding a series of senior executive positions. He was initially hired to do business development as executive vice president soybean processing and most recently served as president of Gilroy Foods. While operating Gilroy Foods, Mr. Stuewe built it into the largest vegetable dehydration business in the world.

Prior to serving at ConAgra Foods, Mr. Stuewe spent 12 years in various management roles within Cargill Inc.’s food processing businesses; most notably corn wet milling and vegetable oil refining and trading.

Mr. Stuewe graduated from Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kansas with a degree in Finance. He was recognized as the Outstanding Financial Executive of the Year in 2007 and was elected into Kansas State Business School Hall of Fame in 2012. Mr. Stuewe has also been recognized by Ernst and Young in 2011 as one of their Entrepreneurs of the Year.

2:00 pm – 2:45 pm – Feed Labeling Committee ~ Grand Pavilion Ballroom 1-5, 2nd Floor

2:45 pm – 3:30 pm – Networking Break ~ Grand Pavilion Court, 2nd Floor

3:30 pm – 5:30 pm – Ingredient Definitions Committee ~ Grand Pavilion Ballroom 1-5, 2nd Floor
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm – AAFCO All Attendee Meet and Greet ~ Whyte Room, 1st Floor

Thursday, January 23rd
7:00 am – 8:00 am – Morning Coffee Service ~ Grand Pavilion Court, 2nd Floor

8:00 am – 8:30 am – Tech Talk ~ Grand Pavilion Ballroom 1-5, 2nd Floor

Preparing for blockchain in “A New Era of Smarter Food Safety” by Kathy Barbeire, MBA
Marketing Manager for CAT Squared

Throughout my career, I’ve helped organizations think of creative ways to (1) harness new technology to maximize effectiveness, (2) collect relevant data to measure and improve performance, and (3) use data to tell compelling stories to customers and stakeholders. In 2015, I joined CAT Squared, a developer of manufacturing execution systems (MES) for the food industry. As CAT Squared’s marketing manager, I monitor industry trends to (1) ensure our products are flexible enough to adapt to new industry standards and (2) prepare our customers for new technologies with the potential to disrupt the industry.

In my current role, I’ve represented CAT Squared as a participant in a blockchain learning group that has grown out of Blockchain for Arkansas (BC4AR), an initiative launched by Governor Asa Hutchinson to promote capacity building around blockchain technology. As my own knowledge and capacity grows, I develop new content to educate our supply chain partners and help them prepare for the transition ahead.

Prior to launching my career, I graduated magna cum laude from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock (UALR) with a Bachelor of Arts degree in professional and technical writing and a double minor in sociology and information technology. I later returned to UALR and completed the MBA program.

8:30 am – 9:15 am – Feed and Feed Ingredient Manufacturing Committee ~ Grand Pavilion Ballroom 1-5, 2nd Floor
9:15 am – 10:15 am – Education & Training Committee ~ Grand Pavilion Ballroom 1-5, 2nd Floor

10:15 am – 10:30 am – Coffee Break ~ Grand Pavilion Court, 2nd Floor

10:30 am – 12:00 pm – Strategic Affairs Committee ~ Grand Pavilion Ballroom 1-5, 2nd Floor

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