



**Committee Report/Minutes**  
AAFCO Annual Meeting, 2019  
Current Issues and Outreach Committee  
August 5, 2019, 10:30 AM  
Louisville, KY

**Committee Recommendations**

Committee recommendation: None.

**Board Recommendations**

Board recommendation: None

**Association Actions**

Association action: None

**Committee Participants**

**Members Present:** Ali Kashani – WA (**Committee Chair**); Jennifer Combs (KY), Jo Lynn Otero (NM), Kristen Green (KY), Kent Kitade (Life Member), Tim Lyons (MI), Chad Linton (WV), Caitlin Price (NC), Eric Nelson (FDA), Shaness Thomas (FL).

**Advisors Present:** David Dzanis (APPA), David Fairfield (NGFA), David Meeker (NRA) [Tim Law, (Alternate for NRA)], Emily Bultan Helms (ETA), Julia Fidenzio (APPA), Louise Calderwood (AFIA), Pat Tovey (PFI), Steve Younker (AFIA), Tomas Belloso (NGFA).

**Committee Report and Minutes:** The meeting started at about 10:30 AM with the welcoming/opening remarks by Ali Kashani. New Co-Vice Chairs, Jennifer Combs and Jo Lynn Otero were introduced. Jenny and Jo Lynn announced their plans to review and initiate the communication plans/tasks that had been identified by the Strategic Affairs committee and listed in the AAFCO strategic planning. The AAFCO blogs replacing semi-annual newsletters were then announced as well as plans for changes to the first-time attendee receptions.

Kathrine (Kathy) Fedder, representing International Food Protection Training Institute (IFPTI) introduced the speaker, Ashlee-Rose, RS, Animal Feed Regulatory Program Standards Coordinator with Washington State Department of Agriculture. Ashlee-Rose, a graduate of the fellowship leadership Program sponsored by IFPTI, presented the result of her research/survey project titled – “Estimating Risk Factors and Analyzing Regulatory Authority”.

**Outreach Work Group – Jennifer Combs - KY & JoLynn Otero - NM**

A work group was formed during the 2019 Annual Meeting in Louisville, KY to address Strategic Plan # 7.2 Mentoring. The charge of the workgroup is to redesign AAFCO 101 as a new member session during the meetings; and to create a mentoring engagement plan with implementation tracking and reporting.

**Work Group Members:** Jennifer Combs (Lead) – (KY); JoLynn Otero (Lead) – NM; Nathan Price – ID; Kent Kitade – life member; Burnadett Mundo – SC; Madison Starnes – SC; Heather Bartley – WI; Dana Brooks – PFI; Dave Fairfield – NGFA; Cathy Alinovi – NGPF.



**Other Business:**

None

No further discussion or topics were brought to the attention of the committee and the meeting was adjourned.

**Action Item Table**

<b>Responsible</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Timing / Status</b>
Work Group	Outreach & Mentoring	Redesign AAFCO 101 as a new member session during the meetings	January 2020
Work Group	Outreach & Mentoring	Create a mentoring engagement plan with implementation tracking and reporting	January 2020