



Education and Training Committee Report/Minutes

2016 AAFCO Mid Year Meeting

Wild Dunes Resort

Isle of Palms, SC

Palms Ballroom

Wednesday, January 20, 2016

8:00 – 10:00 AM

Committee recommendations to Board and membership.

- Encourage committees to identify training needs.
- State participation as SME's or other input when association is tasked for future initiatives of FSMA

Committee Action Items

- Committee members to continue to work on National and Feed Training Curriculums
- Coordinate Seminar in North Dakota
- Coordinate AITS training on Tennessee
- Coordinate Inspector Certification Workgroup with NEHA
- Work with Feed Labeling Committee for medicated feed workshop in Pittsburgh, PA (Annual Meeting)

Summary of Liaisons from ETC

Committee Participants

Members Present: Jim Fear, Judy Thompson, Darlene Krieger, Ken Bowers, Meagan Davis (Vice Chair), Tim Lyons (Chairperson), Kristen Green, Bob Geiger, Jim True, Richard TenEyck, Shannon Jordre, Jo Lynn Otero, Tim Darden, Craig Kaml, David Fairfield,

Via Telephone: None

Advisors Present:

1. Introductions and Agenda Review

- There will be a BSE training course in Raleigh, NC and another in April
- Shannon stated the short list of VFDs were posted on the FDA website
- If states need the tissue residue course talk to Jim Fear or Teresa Bills

2. Intermediate Inspector Training Course (Meagan Davis and Tim Lyons):

- Discussion about working with the Inspection and Sampling Committee to determine if there is a need to develop an intermediate feed inspector course.
- Develop workgroup with Inspection and Sampling Committee to research curriculum development for this course if needed.
- This was brought back to the Inspection and Sampling Committee to work on the contents for the course.

3. Standardizing Training (Craig Kaml (IFPTI) and Jim Fear (FDA):

- Thoughts are that we should start considering standardizing AITS and any other courses that we offer. I would ask a couple of organizations such as IFPTI or NEHA to help explain this.
- IFPTI provided an overview of the current framework
- IFPTI provided background on the general education courses that are being developed through grants with FDA
- A discussion point was made that due to the length of time to create the general education, some states will have to working on their own training. This is due to the requirements under the standards
- There was discussion on overlaying some of the courses with AITS and BITS.
- There was discussion on the need for learning sites to be accessible for different platforms
- IFPTI talked about the various systems for tracking training including IFPTI's and DHRD's.
- Center of Excellence is working with labs to identify laboratories that perform specialized tests

4. Training Cadres (Meagan Davis):

- While developing training, we should also develop a “bench” to ensure that we have people to help train these courses.
- Looking at different dates for the upcoming AITS training
- There are Medicated Feed trainings scheduled for this year
- Plan is for non-Medicated Feed training in 2018
- Need budget information from the committee

5. Animal Feed Inspector Certification Process (Judy Thompson and Rance Baker (NEHA):

- Discussion on what this is and how it will be developed.
- Judy explained that she will need assistance with this since there is a strong possibility that she will be taking a detail outside of Canada.
- Working with NEHA to develop a certification exam
 - i. This is a three step process and the first meeting will be in Denver, Feb 2016
 - ii. There was an overview of the exam writing process
 - iii. Part of the process is to create a study guide for the exam

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 AM

Action Item Table

Responsible	Item	Action	Timing / Status
Lyons/Davis	NEHA Inspector Assessment	Underway. Jacob Fleig is coordinating	
Davis/Lyons	Labeling Workshop	Medicated feed workshop for Annual meeting in Pittsburg.	
Davis//Lyons	AITS Training	Hosted by Tennessee	