

AAFCO-Inspection and Sampling Committee Minutes
Indianapolis, IN
August 5, 2012

The Inspection and Sampling Committee meeting was called to order at 1:30 PM by Co-Chair Chad Linton in the Florida/Illinois Room in the Marriott Downtown in Indianapolis, IN on August 5, 2012. New members joining the committee include Dave Mason, Meagan Davis and Miriam Johnson.

There were 16 committee members, 4 advisors, and 22 guests in attendance.

The minutes from the 2012 Mid-Year Inspection and Sampling Committee Meeting held on January 12, 2012 were voted on and approved on January 30, 2012. These were posted to the website. No further action is needed.

Jennifer Godwin gave a report regarding the progress of the Inspector Sampling Manual. Chapters 2, 9, 13, and 14 have been completed, voted on, and posted to the website.

Chapter 3 (Sampling) was reviewed by Bob Church and additional comments received by Ben Jones were discussed. Edits will be made to the chapter, sent back out to the committee for comments, and voted on at a later time.

Chapter 4 (Labeling) was reviewed by Miriam Johnson and additional comments received from Ben Jones were discussed. Edits will be made to the chapter, sent back out to the committee for comments, and voted on at a later time.

Chapter 7 (Feed Ingredients) is being reviewed by Gail DeGreeff. At this time it was suggested that the Feed Ingredients portion be pulled out and rewritten. A chapter for Feed Safety and Manufacturing Practices has been suggested to include the information from Feed Ingredients. It was decided to add necessary informational pages, move forward, and add the Feed Safety and Manufacturing Practices chapter at a later time.

Chapter 10 (Enforcements) was reviewed by Miriam Johnson. At this time no additional revisions were made. The chapter will be sent out to the committee for review.

Tim Lyons gave an update regarding the AITS training to be held in Traverse City, MI, October 8-12, 2012. A revised agenda was sent out to certain committee members, agreed upon and is now being finalized for the training. Currently the presentations are being prepared but speakers are needed to cover the topics. Questions were posed regarding testing at the end of the course. There is a need to move forward on certification; however the test needs to be revised as the agenda has been updated. At this time an "essay" type test with scenario's to substitute was suggested by Judy Thompson and certificates of participation will be given at the end of the course.

Jennifer Godwin gave an update on the AITS training to be held in Wilmington, NC in conjunction with the Annual Association of Southern Feed, Fertilizer, and Pesticide Control Officials (ASFFPCO), June 18-21, 2013. This training will be incorporated into the meeting where the pertinent information will be given as opposed to a full 3 days of training.

Meagan Davis discussed a possible training to be held in LA in the fall 2013. More information will be available at a later time.

Gloria Dunnavan discussed the need for an AAFCO Certificate Program, taking the Training Standard from AFRPS into account, in which a curriculum would be developed with verification of completion, and achievement being set up at different levels. Ricky Schroeder suggested that we begin the ground work and once the Standards come out we can revise.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:08 PM.