



# North Carolina Food Safety and Defense Task Force

Established 2003

## NC Food Safety & Defense Task Force Executive Committee

**Meeting Minutes – Friday, Oct 11th, 2019 – 9:30 am**  
**NCDA Ballentine Building @ NCDA & CS**  
**Reedy Creek Road Raleigh, NC**

### Activate phone for callers – 919-850- 2992

In person: Steve Tracey; Veronica Bryant; Daniel Gains, Anita MacMullan; Beth Yongue; Nicole Lee

On Phone: Alyson Jackson-Hill, Shane Smith, Chris Gunter, Candice

#### ▪ Hot Topics

Outbreaks and Investigations – Massive recall of multiple products containing Tip Top Poultry cooked cubed chicken meat due to *Listeria monocytogenes* concerns. Since product is sold frozen the recall must go back further.

King's Dominion flour has been recalled due to STEC.

#### ▪ Meeting Minutes

Last Executive Committee (August) minutes – no edits

Motion to approve minutes – Steve Tracey, Beth Yongue second

### Executive Committee Business

**Annual Governor's Report:** Due 12/1/19 (Covers Jan 2018 – Dec 2019)

- Needs to include the following:
  - Bi-law changes
  - Conference planning
  - Significant events the task force has participated in
  - Activities where NC Task Force hosted and/or presented to other Tasks Forces
  - New web address, including number of visitors and unique visits
- Draft will be sent to Exec Comm
- ✚ Action Item – all present today need to email Veronica any additions to the report
- ✚ Action Item – Steve and Candice need to be added to the email listserv

### Leadership Structure for Executive Committee

- These are clear in the bi-laws now

### **Roles and Responsibilities and Expectations**

- Phone meeting may be more feasible depending on agenda
- Zoom or Skype meeting suggested as a compromise
- Conference planning meetings should be in person

### **Conference Report**

- 2020 plans
  - Partnership
 

Suggestion was raised to partner with the Carolina affiliate of IAFP (International Association for Food Protection) for the annual conference, which will allow for additional financial resources and attendees. Committee was in agreement.
  - Securing a venue
 

Suggestion was raised for Connie Bacon-McCoy, who has been hired annually to assist with conference planning, to assist with securing a venue rather than having the past-chair perform this task. Past-chair is an overseer of the conference planning committee and not the sole person responsible for planning. Committee was in agreement
  - Conference location discussion
    - ✚ Chris – Centennial campus hotel; Veronica – DoubleTree expressed willingness to negotiate; Chip Simmons – University Club; Connie – McKimmon Center; Steve – Sheraton and BioTech center is currently reserved for us on May 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>. Committee was in agreement that the BioTech Center is at capacity with our current attendees.
  - Agenda / Theme
 

Theme: “Innovative Foods” or “Food Innovations”

Agenda: We can glean from another group’s agenda. Suggestions included lab grown meat, FDA standards of identity (i.e. non traditional meats and cheeses), epi overview of foods that may not require pasteurization (i.e. Tempeh outbreak), virtual audits, microgreens (i.e. are they a spout, herb, or leafy green), produce centered talk.
  - Other notes
    - Connie cannot physically attend the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of May due to a family wedding

### **Next Meetings Dates**

- Full Task Force Meeting – Wednesday November 13, 2019– location Harris Teeter DC, 200 Distribution Dr. Greensboro, NC 27410
- Exec Committee meeting - Wednesday December 11, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. in conference room, Constable Lab Building, NCDA&CS

### **Adjournment**