

**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (CDFA)
ANIMAL HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY SERVICES (AHFSS)
MEAT, POULTRY AND EGG SAFETY BRANCH (MPES)
SHELL EGG ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SEAC)
MEETING MINUTES
October 24, 2014**

**Location: California Department of Food and Agriculture
2800 Gateway Oaks Blvd., Room 267
Sacramento, CA 95833**

Item
No.

(1) CALL TO ORDER

Wayne Winslow, Chair, called the SEAC meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. and a quorum was established.

(2) ROLL CALL

Roll was taken by Tony Herrera, Egg Quality Manager, Egg Safety and Quality Management (ESQM).

Committee Members Present:

Wayne Winslow, Chair
Michael Sencer, Vice Chair
Steve Mahrt, Petaluma Farms
Gary Foster, Southern California Egg Cooperative
Michael Gemperle, Gemperle Enterprises
Glenn Hickman, Hickman Eggs
Kaliko Orian, JoKeKa Farms
Gary Caseri, Public Member
Richard Jenkins, Alternate
Tom Silva, Alternate

Committee Members Absent:

Milton O'Haire, CACASA Representative
David Will, Chino Valley Ranchers

Interested Parties:

Debbie Murdock, Pacific Egg and Poultry Association
Bob Salazar, Hickman Eggs
David Cisneros, Rosemary Farms
Mark Campbell, Hidden Villa

CDEA:

Dr. Annette Jones, Director, State Veterinarian
Dr. Doug Hepper, Branch Chief
Tony Herrera, Egg Quality Manager
Jenna Celigija, Northern/Coastal District Supervisor
John Ramos, Central District Supervisor
Bill Rohner, Southern District Supervisor

Rosie Martin, Office Technician

(3) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – August 27, 2014**

Chair Winslow asked the committee to review the August meeting minutes.

Motion #1: A motion was made by Mr. Gemperle to accept the minutes. Mr. Sencer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

(4) **SPECIALTY TERMS AND DEFINITIONS**

Mr. Will will address this topic at the next SEAC meeting.

(5) **SEFS UPDATE**

Mr. Herrera and the committee discussed the following topics:

- CDFA staff has conducted SEFS audits of 41 in-state companies, and have 2 more companies left. Additionally, they have conducted 20 out-of-state companies, and will finish the rest of the out-of-state audits by the end of the year.
- CDFA's Legal Office informed Mr. Herrera if chick paper tests positive for Salmonella Enteritidis (SE), the company can test into compliance.
- A recommendation of listing all SEFS compliant companies on CDFA's website for public view. Furthermore, a list of companies not yet audited should be included.
- If companies found to be conducting business while not SEFS compliant, CDFA's penalties matrix will be followed.
- The program is considering posting SEFS violators on CDFA's website for public view, after due process is completed.

A suggestion of possibly sending in paperwork to CDFA for a partial desk audit for ESQM employees to perform.

Motion #2: A motion was made by Mr. Foster to post on CDFA's website clarification of using the Julian date of pack as the date ESQM will enforce compliance with CCR Section 1350. Moreover, the link to the posting will be sent to the committee members in a week's time. Mr. Caseri seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

(6) **ESQM REPORTS (CRBI, CASS, BUDGET)**

Mr. Herrera provided the committee with a County Risk Based Inspection (CRBI), a CASS retail inspection report, and a budget report. The following was discussed:

- Mr. Herrera informed the committee the CRBI reports that are developed will shortly be entered into a web based program, which currently is submitted via paper reports and entered into an access program.

- Also, corrections will be made to the CASS retail reports to reflect corrected information.
- There has been an increase in travel due to SEFS audits.
- At the next SEAC meeting, estimated salary amount for current, next, and following fiscal year will be provided.

(7) **PROGRAM UPDATES**

Mr. Herrera began by informing the committee that the Department of General Services (DGS) has approved five California Agricultural Support Staff (CASS) auditor positions for one year. Additionally, the second full-time auditor position will be filled shortly. Interviews for the Fruit and Vegetable Inspector position will be conducted on November 6th and 7th.

(8) **OTHER BUSINESS**

New members of the committee have been appointed. Ms. Orian as the small egg producer, Mr. Hickman as the out of state producer, as well as Mr. Silva as an alternate member.

With the Certificate of Movement report on hold, the committee asked if we can send out a supplemental form to capture how many eggs come into California and from what locations? The committee asked to speak with Legal to see if the form can be requested as a voluntary report to submit with the monthly mill fee assessment reports.

The next meeting will be held in Sacramento on January 7, 2015 beginning at 10:00 a.m.

(9) **ADJOURN**

Chair Winslow asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion #3: Mr. Sencer made a motion. Mr. Foster seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Rosemerry Martin