

Food Safety Advisory Committee Meeting
March 9, 2017
Oregon Department of Agriculture Building
635 Capitol St NE
Salem, OR 97301
3rd floor conference room
12 pm – 1:30 pm

Meeting Summary

Advisory Committee Members present:

Steve Ramsey, Safeway
Paul Cieslak, Oregon Health Authority
Bob Beck, NORPAC
Lisbeth Goddik, Oregon State University
Jenny Dresler, Oregon Farm Bureau
Mark Wustenberg, Tillamook County Creamery Association
Anneliese Koehler, Oregon Food Bank

Advisory Committee Members participating by phone:

Connie Kirby, NW Food Processors
Jovana Kovacevic, Oregon State University

Oregon Department of Agriculture staff:

Alexis Taylor, Director
Stephanie Page, Food Safety & Animal Health Programs
Karen Apiado, Food Safety & Animal Health Programs
Rusty Rock, Food Safety Program

1. Meeting with new ODA Director Alexis Taylor

New ODA Director Alexis Taylor came and introduced herself to the committee. She described her background and previous experience, and explained that ODA's budget presentation to the Oregon Legislature had gone well.

2. Updates on ODA's budget

Stephanie Page reiterated that ODA's budget presentation seemed to go well, and ODA's financial services program staff are tracking other agencies' budget hearings to see if questions come up that ODA should be prepared to answer. The program is still planning to reduce the number of FDA contract inspections per year from 500

to 400, and is trying to figure out whether/how much to participated in the manufactured food cooperative agreement going forward.

The committee also reviewed budget update information that was presented at its January meeting, for the benefit of new committee members and members who were not able to attend the January meeting.

3. Updates on ODA's FSMA legislative concept (SB 18) and other concepts

Stephanie Page reviewed ODA's three legislative concepts related to food safety – those are SB 18, which would give ODA authority to implement the produce safety rule and make Oregon's laws for animal foods consistent with FSMA; a bill that would give ODA authority to suspend a milk producer's license for a first violation; and a bill that would clearly give ODA the authority to regulate dietary supplements.

4. Updated strategic plan in response to Secretary of State's office audit

Stephanie Page shared a completed draft of the program's strategic plan to address the recommendations in the SOS audit (this was also submitted this with ODA's budget presentation, as the committee recommended). The program is continuing to update the plan as there are accomplishments to report and as the program learns more about the need to improve data quality in its database.