

FOOD PROTECTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

July 17 2013 Minutes

WELCOME: by Christina Wilson at 9:05 A.M.

MINUTES: from April 17, 2013 was approved.

MICROMARKET RULE CHANGES: Discussion on micro market and OAC 3717-1-01. Possible changes in the definition as coffee was an issue. Language may be rearranged to address issues. As to date, CPH has licensed 25 micro markets in the last 4 months. CPH still receiving calls but it appears to be leveling out at this time.

RETAIL FOOD SAFETY ADVISORY COUNCIL UPDATE: Discussion on the Children's Hunger Alliance Program and other children's supplemental nutrition programs. A letter of opinion has been issued from ODA/ODH. There are still inspection issues and costs issues still pending. A cost methodology is to be developed by ODE TO BE ESTABLISHED. This inspection will not be part of the cost methodology for ODH/ODA. There was a lengthy discussion on how to handle sites that do not have the proper holding equipment. Issues on food safety at the feeding sites were discussed in great length. There is a conference Call tomorrow on the CHA program. Discussion on what are to forms to be utilized for the inspection. No enforcement guidelines for LHD for sites not in compliance as ODE will handle and a license is not required.

FOOD PROTECTION EDUCATION: Discussion on possible revisions to Level 2 class. It was discussed to go to a 2 ½ day schedule. This would allow more time for the student to study for the test and may limit the stress. The review and test would be held on the 3rd day instead at the end of the 2nd day. After some discussion it was decided to leave the level 2 schedules as it is now. Level 1 classes were also discussed as to content and time spent in classroom. It was suggested that we offer evening classes. Also discussed was the procedure and policy of requesting an off-site Level 1 or 2 classes. An update to the program as that Spanish level 1 classes are now being offered monthly and we plan to schedule a level 2 late fall.

PROGRAM UPDATES:

1. Intern projects on Allergan and Farm Markets was discussed. Concerns about Farmers Markets were discussed in some length especially regarding licensing.
2. The start-up of a Fats, Oils & Grease (FOG) inspection program for Food Protection Section was introduced by Keith Krinn, EH Administrator. Mr. Krinn went over the program parameters, inspections, and why it is important for the field staff to conduct these inspections. Costs from the program will be paid by CC public utilities, Sewerage and Drainage, and will be a separate inspection from the standard inspection. This will not be in the ODH/ODA food cost methodology. All enforcement will be done by Sewerage and Drainage. Details are still being worked and a joint letter is being drafted to send to facilities. Looking at starting program in September or October.

3. SANITARIANS: Program has hired one field sanitarian but have more positions to fill. Adding a new district and will need to add additional field staff. This will give the program a total of 20 districts. Christina Wilson, Section Chief, will be working on the redistricting and hopes to have completed by September.
4. COST METHODOLOGY: Christina Wilson has started working on the food cost methodology. Current plan is to present proposed fees to Board of Health at the October meeting. Discussion on Board of Health Meeting dates, 3rd Tuesday of each month and no meeting in August.

MEETING DATES: A reminder of when the FPAC meets. Next meeting is October 16, 2013 with future meeting dates being January 15, 2014 and April 16, 2014. Please mark your calendars.

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Scott complimented for their efficiency and professionalism at the Arts Festival.

Laura had an update on the Food Trucks and the current pilot program by the City of Columbus. Discussion on oversized trucks and a possible exception to rules on the parking meters spots. As of today 12-13 food trucks have been licensed under the pilot program. More information will be available at a later date.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:00 A.M.