Food
Safety
Advisory
Council
of Orange County

2021-22 Board:

"To promote food safety in Orange County through industry and regulatory agency cooperation."

## Meeting Minutes February 23, 2022 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Remote Meeting Hosted by County of Orange Environmental Health Meeting Link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83296522696?pwd=T2IwSFRNZ2Z2WIh2YU51R2pUVkE2Zz09#

- 1. Meeting Called to Order 10: 04 AM, Klarissa Karas (FSAC Vice Chair) filling in for David Haywood (Chair)
- 2. Introductions Jenafer Forester introduced guest speakers and board members
- 3. Treasurer's Report Janet Yaldezian not on call, Jenafer Forester stated no change, per last report: \$1,994.17
- 4. Approved Minutes Erin Thompson, last meeting minutes are incomplete but will be available on the OC FSAC website
- 5. OC EHD Updates Darwin Cheng and Christine Lane

We are seeing an increase of unlawful food vending; OC has assembled a task force to address this. Senate Bill 972 wants to create a true sidewalk vending law in Cal Code throughout the state of California. There are food safety concerns with allowing these vendors to operate without permits required. Please check out the information on this bill so we can try to make if fair for all and to help educate.

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill\_id=202120220SB972

6. California Department of Public Health – Food and Drug Branch Retail Food Program Update – Susan Leaverton, REHS

Introductions of new Retail Food Safety Specialists, Susan Leaverton, REHS & Rawan Naser, REHS. This branch deals with the legislative bill analysis, they can oppose if amended or stay neutral. They focus a lot on cottage foods and HACCP variances. An update to the cottage food will be posted on the website in about a month. The HACCP variance review ROP, acidification, and Sous Vide foods. She is a technical advisor for the state for interpretation of the code. Reviewing courses to evaluate for CEU qualification.

7. Presentation provided by Orange County Environmental Health "California Retail Food Code

## Update" (1.5 CECH) - Jenafer Forester, REHS

Safety Initiatives - New laws as of January 1, 2022, for the following Assembly Bills: AB 1144 regarding changes to cottage food operations in CRFC, AB 1276 regarding single-use utensils and condiments and AB 831 includes the following changes in California Retail Food Code: Definition of limited food preparation, Limited-Service Charitable Feeding Operation (LSCFO), outdoor wood-burning oven, satellite food service, double glove procedure, Reduced Oxygen Packaging (ROP) criteria and FDA Food Code Section 3-502.12 (D) for cook-chill and sous vide, mobile food pushcarts and ventilation, consumer utensils, CFO advertising requirements, fisherman's Market booth, and plan review includes LSCFO.

## 8. COVID-19 Update – Jenafer Forester

Reminder: AB685 Cal OHSA mandates COVID-19 workplace outbreaks in any business to be reported to the local Health Department within 48 hours. An outbreak is defined as 3 or more confirmed COVID-19 cases among employees within 14-days at one workplace location. Additionally, employer must notify their employees of any COVID-19 workplace exposure. More information: AB685 – Reporting COVID Outbreaks & Notification. Effective January 1, 2021. To report an outbreak visit: <a href="https://coronavirus.egovoc.com/guidance-non-healthcare-businesses-worksites">https://coronavirus.egovoc.com/guidance-non-healthcare-businesses-worksites</a>)

CDPH website includes information on mask requirements, SMARTER COVID-19 plan, N-95 masks are made available for free at Walgreen's and CVS. For more information visit <a href="https://covid19.ca.gov/masks-and-ppe/">https://covid19.ca.gov/masks-and-ppe/</a>

Find the most recent Health Officer's Order and Recommendations on the OC website here: https://coronavirus.egovoc.com/article/oc-health-officers-orders-recommendations

- 9. Next OC FSAC Meeting May 2022, date TBD Klarissa Karas
- 10. Meeting Adjournment at 11:13 AM Klarissa Karas