

**Iowa-Section of the Institute of Food Technologists**  
**Minutes November 20, 2003**  
**Strawtown Inn - Pella, Iowa**

**Executive Committee Meeting**

Attending: Mark Love, Dave Raife, Elaine Wolf, Janis Hochstetler, Ann Nelson, Lester Wilson, Tony Pometto

1. Meeting called to order at 4:30pm by Love.
2. With the resignation of Amy Larson as 2003-04 Chair-person, discussion was held as to a replacement. Dave Raife volunteered to take on duties as Chairperson for the remainder of term of the office. He has recently retired and noted that he would be most happy to do it. Love moved to appoint Raife as Chairperson and Wilson second. Motion passed. This appointment will be brought to the general membership at the business meeting for a vote.
3. Raife handed out current month's Treasurer's Report. The current balance is \$6776.32.

Wolf reported she had audited the Treasurer's Books and they were found in order.

4. Love gave a councilors report: He explained the proposal for a change in the timing of National Elections to coincide better with the annual national meeting. The executive council endorsed the change and Love would report that to National IFT. Love also explained a proposal to allow IFT executive council to increase dues when needed instead of having the increase go through membership approval. The executive committee did not support the proposal and Love would report that to National IFT as well.
5. Raife moved acceptance of the secretary's minutes of the September Meeting, Wilson seconded. Motion passed.
6. The executive committee discussed the new email/postcard/newsletter notification of the meetings and web page. Wolf moved to continue sending postcard for the next two meetings. Pometto second. Motion passed.

Wilson will review the undelivered email list for changes. The new system will be evaluated at the June Executive Meeting.

Since Sherri Angstrom is being paid through ISU, her hours are being considered overtime with a rate \$25.79/hour. This will be reviewed again in February 2004.

7. Committee Reports
  - a) Midwest Food Processing Conference: Wilson reported that the Conference, held in Chicago, had less attendees than last year, however the meeting had good information and well presented. The 2004 meeting has been set for November 10, 2004. Minnesota is the lead section and has asked Iowa to co-sponsor. It was suggested that if we co-sponsor the conference, we would like to have the conference somewhere besides Chicago. Suggested sites included

the Minneapolis/St. Paul area or the Amanas. A decision on the sections response will be made after presenting this to the general membership at the business meeting.

- b) Program and Meeting Arrangements: Love reported that Charlie Hurburgh, Professor in Ag and Biosystems Engineering will be the guest speaker the February meeting. The meeting will be held in Eastern Iowa with a possible tour of the State Hygienic Lab.
- c) 2004 Suppliers Night: Raife reported that supplier's night is set for the Adventureland Inn, in Altoona. The decision was made to have no guest speaker since there would be awards and business meeting. Also, we hope that many of the attendees of the Food Safety Homeland Security Workshop and Apple Cider Certification class that Sam Beattie is holding will attend the suppliers night meeting. The tables for suppliers are \$100 and include 1 drink ticket. Raife is looking into having a golf outing for the suppliers and members attending.

Wolf motioned for adjournment, Raife second. Motion passed. Adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

### **Business Meeting**

Twenty-two members enjoyed dinner at the Strawtown Inn, Pella, Iowa

The business meeting was conducted by Tony Pometto. Introductions of all attendees were made. Raife gave the treasurers report and asked for industry support for the Iowa Section Food Industry Scholarship. Raife also mentioned Suppliers Night –April 22, 2004 meeting. He mentioned a Food Safety Homeland Security Workshop will be sponsored by ISU and will be held the same day as the Suppliers Night and hope we have some cross over attendance to our meeting.

Mark Love reported on the two councilor issues reported at the executive meeting and the general membership agreed with the executive committee. Lester Wilson reported on MFPC- November 11, 2003 at the Rosemont in Chicago. He also asked for the membership's opinion on co-sponsoring the 2004 conference with Minnesota. The general membership unanimously supported that we would co-sponsor the conference if it were held somewhere other than Chicago. Recommended sites were Minneapolis/St. Paul area or the Amanas.

Love reported that Dave Raife has volunteered to take on the responsibilities of chairperson for the remainder of the term with the resignation of Amy Larson. Dave will continue his Treasurer duties as well. The executive committee has approved this appointment. The appointment needs approval from the general membership. Jane Love moved to accept the appointment of Dave Raife to Chairperson. Anthony Pometto seconded. Motion passed.

Mark Love introduced Dr. Sam Beattie, Extension Food Specialist at Iowa State. He discussed the book "Fast Food Nation."

Respectfully submitted, Janis M. Hochstetler

2/5/04

Amended 2/19/04, JMH