

# Meeting Minutes

## October 19, 2022

### 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

David Haywood, Chair • Klarissa Karas, Vice Chair  
Janet Yaldezian, Treasurer • Erin Thompson, Secretary

2021-22 Board:

**In-Person and Virtual Hybrid Meeting Hosted By: Orange County Environmental Health**

**MEETING LINK:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89751707336?pwd=ejhRazVuajFXU2dlbndtSkhaTDZKQT09>

1. **Meeting Called to Order at 10:05 a.m. by David Haywood (FSAC Chair)**
2. **Introductions – All**
3. **Approval of Minutes by Erin Thompson (FSAC Secretary) and Stephanie Wilkins-Singleton (Environmental Health Food Safety Program Manager)**
4. **Treasure Report \$1,994.17 provided by Erin Thompson**
5. **OC EHD Updates – Darwin Cheng (Environmental Health Assistant Director)**
  - Database: update workflows to increase efficiency, ensure reports input in a timely manner, and inspection reports are available to the public via the OC HCA website.
  - Staffing: more inspectors promoted to EHS III to be able to better serve the county with thorough inspections.
6. **Legislation Updates – Darwin Cheng and Bao-An Huynh (Environmental Health Food Safety Program Manager)**
  - Senate Bill 946 - Sidewalk Vendors: passed and signed into law.
  - Senate Bill 972 - Compact Mobile Food Operations (CMFO): passed and signed into law, will be chaptered into California Retail Food Code, effective January 1, 2023.
  - CMFO 25 square feet or less display area with whole produce or packaged non-potentially hazardous then no health permit is required but must abide by city ordinances.
  - CMFO is over 25 square feet, then a health permit is required.
  - At present, there are a number of permitted Cottage Food Operations in Orange County, but no permitted Microenterprise Home Kitchens Operations that would serve as a commissary for a CMFO.
  - More information to come as California Conference of Directors of Environmental Health are developing uniform guidance.
7. **FSAC Board Panel Discussion with Members – David Haywood and Erin Thompson**

“Navigating the Post-COVID Food and Beverage Industry and Strengthening Food Safety Measures”

- Members who attended the meeting gave an update on pre-COVID vs post-COVID to include take aways for screening employees.
- Some members shared a third-party auditor was hired to assist with evaluating food safety practices.
- More focus on mobile vendors with hand contact and hand washing.
- Employee hand wash frequency was noted in California Retail Food Code, Section 113963 wherein a food employee working in all food facility shall be permitted to wash their hands every 30 minutes and additionally as needed.
- Enhanced the cleaning frequencies of common hand contact surfaces.
- Considerations given for registered cleaning agents that are effective against different viruses, compare [EPA List of Registered Disinfectants for COVID \(List N\)](#) and [EPA List of Registered Disinfectants for Norovirus \(List G\)](#).

**8. Presentation provided by Environmental Health Food Safety Program Specialized Assessment Team – Jenafer Forester (Supervising Environmental Health Specialist)**  
“Using Environmental Health Outbreak Data to Leverage Prevention Efforts and Best Practices”

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - National Environmental Assessment Reporting System (CDC NEARS)
- Reports on FBI outbreaks, how and why they occur, risk factors, and types of food facilities affected most.
- The how is identified by three (3) different types of Contributing Factors: Contamination, Proliferation, and Survival. [What Are Contributing Factors? | EHS | CDC](#)
- The why is identified by various root causes known as Antecedents: People, Equipment, Processes, Foods, and Economics. [What Are Environmental Assessments? | EHS | CDC](#)
- Reviewed FBIO 2021 data for Orange County and looked at common trends and how to use this data to improve the food safety program and primary prevention during inspections.
- Orange County continues to use CDC NEARS for 2022 data and more information will be made available.

**9. Orange County Public Health Communicable Disease Control Division, Deputy Medical Director, Dr. Christopher Zimmerman**

- Provided a brief introduction and stated the important roles of Environmental Health, Epidemiology, and Public Health Laboratory during a FBIO investigation.

**10. Next OC FSAC Meeting – First Quarter 2023 TBD – David Haywood**

**11. Meeting Adjournment at 11:50 a.m. by David Haywood**

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