Conference for Food Protection – Committee Periodic Status Report

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COMMITTEE NAME: Unattended Food Establishments

COUNCIL or EXECUTIVE BOARD ASSIGNMENT: Council 1 (established by 2014-1-19)

DATE OF REPORT: July 6, 2015

SUBMITTED BY: Ric Mathis and Larry Eils, Committee Co-Chairs

COMMITTEE MEMBER ROSTER:

I Roster remains same as last submitted, no changes.

COMMITTEE CHARGE(s):

- 1. Develop recommendations on whether and how the Food Code should be modified to address unattended food merchandising operations;
- 2. Consider any existing guidelines from FDA and others and develop a CFP guidance document that could assist states when addressing the need to have alternative protective provisions in place when approving a waiver or variance for entities that do not meet section 2-101.11 and 2-103.11 of the 2013 Food Code; and
- 3. Report back to the 2016 Biennial Meeting with a recommendation to Council 1

COMMITTEE'S REQUESTED ACTION FOR EXECUTIVE BOARD (If Applicable):

None at this time.

PROGRESS REPORT / COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES WITH ACTIVITY DATES:

1. **Progress on Overall Committee Activities**

Our third conference call was held on June 4, 2015. During the call, the committee engaged in meaning discussions. Currently, the committee continues to be engaged in communication via email. The members were given until July 17th to provide comments on several outstanding issues from the conference, which will be addressed during the next call. The next conference call is proposed for either July 28th, 29th, or 30th.

2. Progress Addressing Each Assigned Committee Charge

Charge 1: The committee has agreed that the Food Code should be modified to address unattended food service establishments. Now that a draft definition has been created, which includes parameters for these operations, the committee can proceed with determining other issues that govern how these operations should be addressed. **CHARGE # 1 IN PROGRESS.**

Charge 2: The currently proposed definition, ongoing email discussions, and forthcoming conference call will address more than 50% of the concerns outlined in the FDA guidance documents. CHARGE #2 IN PROGRESS.