AAPCO BOD Meeting Minutes  
November 6, 2019  
Amy Sullivan, Executive Secretary  

The call began at 2pm eastern time.  
Rose Kachadoorian, Leo Reed, Patrick Jones, Derrick Lastinger, Megan Patterson, Tony Cofer, Liza Fleeson Trossbach, Amy Sullivan  

Pollinator Survey  
Over 30 states have replied. The deadline has been extended to November 12. We are hoping that the University programs are being included in the state responses. EPA is very interested in the survey, and has met about it, and is working with Kachadoorian on reviewing the assessment. AAPCO will post the aggregated results and the state contacts when it is complete.  

Federal Register Notices  
Jones has a draft letter for review by the BOD for the Antimicrobial Performance Evaluation Program – Development of a Risk-Based Strategy.  
WPS committee met and discussed the targeted inspections and briefly the AEZ.  
AEZ – The proposed revision does not have a provision for the states who may want to do something differently, for instance Oregon OSHA’s Shelter in Place provision. Equivalency has not been addressed in the proposal, and AAPCO will put that into the comments. Also, concerns regarding changes in outdoor production and droplet size, but droplet size is still in for enclosed space. This may cause some confusion for applicators. It is best to have uniform criteria. NC and AAPCO will also include in their comments the issue of utilizing drift reduction, although with a small droplet size, and that should be supported by the agency.  
Sodium Laurel Sulfate – Proposed language for the tolerance exemption, residues of the fungicide and miticide are exempt, but insecticide are not exempt. This also could result in an inspector looking at a label for pests, and Kachadoorian is considering if AAPCO should write a letter to remove the fungicide and miticide exemption because the point is that it is applied to a food crop. That is due December 2. Cofer strongly agrees.  
Expect a FR Notice on 24(c) restrictions. Kachadoorian requested if this was targeting new uses only and did not get a clear answer. NC has sent in 24(c) dicamba registrations, and IN is expecting to as well.  

SFIREG  
Kachadoorian thanked Fleeson Trossbach for her work as chairperson of SFIREG during the past two years. As her term will expire after the December meeting, Fleeson Trossbach will mentor the new SFIREG chairperson Gary Bahr during the December SFIREG meeting. Kachadoorian stressed her desire to see AAPCO expand opportunities for mentorship and involvement as much as possible.  

Patterson will be the Project Manager for the new Label Improvement workgroup, and Fleeson Trossbach will chair the activities of the workgroup. This workgroup is just getting set up and will require a significant amount of effort into the foreseeable future.
PIRT
Jones wants to include discussion on PIRT at the AAPCO conference, especially to encourage states to participate as hosts. There is a movement to have PIRT be modeled more on PREP, but some of the states that have hosted PIRT see a benefit in having it stay the way it is because it benefits the host states. Cofer added that having the host states determine the courses is beneficial. Perhaps program promotion could be increased, although the funding restrictions are impactful and narrows the pool of states that can host. AAPCO has not formally taken a position. Fleeson Trossbach added that SFIREG asked if there were alternative ways to address the funding and would like to see consideration of that. Perhaps through the cooperative agreement, or another way that would make it easier for states to host. Jones is proposing three options and will discuss that on the next PIRT call. Kachadoorian offered that if the host states could do the work to set up the agenda and have someone else handle the finances it would be helpful. Cofer would like to see more input from the states, perhaps solicited through SFIREG.

The BOD then discussed the March agenda.

The call ended at 2:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Sullivan