



**International Dairy Foods Association**  
Milk Industry Foundation  
National Cheese Institute  
International Ice Cream Association

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## **Boards of Directors, Board-Directed Committees, Task Forces, Working Groups**

### **INTERNATIONAL DAIRY FOODS ASSOCIATION (IDFA)**

#### **IDFA Board of Directors (standing)**

Staff: Constance E. Tipton, President & CEO

Participants: Seven members of each Board of MIF, NCI, and IICA, plus three Gold Business Partners representing each segment of the industry, plus Advisory Committee

Purpose: The management of the Association shall be under the direction of the IDFA Board of Directors.

- **Advisory Committee (standing)**

Staff: Constance E. Tipton, President & CEO

Reports to: IDFA Board

Participants: Three immediate past Chairmen of the IDFA Board

Purpose: To continue to participate on the Board with full voting rights.

- **Audit Committee (standing)**

Staff: Neil Moran, Senior Vice President, Finance, Administration & Trade Show

Reports to: IDFA Board

Participants: Treasurers of MIF, NCI, IICA, IDFA

Purpose: Charged with selection of audit company and review of audit.

- **Budget, Finance & Strategic Planning Committee (standing)**

Staff: Constance E. Tipton, President & CEO

Reports to: IDFA Board

Participants: Appointed members of the IDFA Board

Purpose: To review the finances, proposed budget and strategic plans of the Associations for recommendations to the IDFA Board.

- **Executive Committee (standing)**

Staff: Constance E. Tipton, President & CEO

Reports to: IDFA Board

Participants: IDFA Chair, IDFA Vice Chair, IDFA Secretary/Treasurer, and nine members of the IDFA Board

Purpose: To enact business in the interim between IDFA Board meetings.

#### **IDFA 3-A Equipment Supplier Task Force**

Staff: Jon Gardner, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs & International Standards

Reports to: IDFA Board

Participants: Open to IDFA Gold Business Partners & Business Partners

Purpose: Develop equipment supplier positions and recommendations on 3-A standards and practices.

### **IDFA Ad Hoc Working Group on Nutrition**

Staff: Cary Frye, Vice President, Regulatory & Scientific Affairs

Reports to: IDFA Board

Participants: Open to MIF, NCI, IICA members and Gold Business Partners

Purpose: To review, on an as-needed basis, proposed changes to federal nutrition programs, such as WIC and the National School Lunch Program.

### **IDFA Allergens Task Force**

Staff: Cary Frye, Vice President, Regulatory & Scientific Affairs

Reports to: All Boards

Participants: Open to MIF, NCI, IICA members, and Gold Business Partners

Purpose: Charged with reviewing and providing recommendations on proposed changes to allergen labeling.

### **IDFA c-GMP Task Force**

Staff: Jon Gardner, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs & International Standards

Reports to: IDFA Board

Participants: Open to MIF, NCI, IICA and Gold Business Partners

Purpose: To advocate dairy processor concerns regarding expansion of FDA's food GMP.

### **IDFA Dairy Security Committee (ad hoc)**

Staff: Clay Detlefsen, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs & Counsel

Report to: IDFA Board

Participants: Open to MIF, NCI and IICA members, and Gold Business Partners.

Purpose: Charged with providing feedback and distributing information on national, international, state and local security issues, laws, and regulations.

### **IDFA Environmental and Worker Safety Committee (ad hoc)**

Staff: Clay Detlefsen, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs & Counsel

Reports to: IDFA Board

Participants: Open to MIF, NCI, IICA and Gold Business Partners

Purpose: Informing members and recommending actions pertaining to environmental and worker safety regulations and laws.

### **IDFA Federal Order Strategic Planning Committee (ad hoc)**

Staff: Connie Tipton, President & CEO

Reports to: IDFA Board

Participants: Members consist of MIF, NCI and IICA members appointed by the IDFA Board

Purpose: To review challenges with federal order milk price regulation and propose alternative federal order reforms.

- **IDFA Federal Order Strategic Planning Technical Committee (ad hoc)**

Staff: Bob Yonkers, Vice President & Chief Economist

Reports to: IDFA Federal Order Strategic Planning Committee

Participants: Members consist of MIF, NCI and IICA members appointed by the IDFA Federal Order Strategic Planning Committee

Purpose: To review challenges with federal order milk price regulation and propose alternative federal order reforms.

### **IDFA FMD Strategy Group**

Staff: Jon Gardner, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs & International Standards

Reports to: IDFA Board

Participants: Open to MIF, NCI, IICA members, and Gold Business Partners

Purpose: Develop dairy processing industry strategies in response to federal and state government FMD response plans as well as serve as a sounding board for IDFA responsible for maintaining the IDFA FMD Dairy Response Manual.

### **IDFA Global Food Safety Initiative (GFSI) Task Force**

Staff: Jon Gardner, IDFA Vice President, Regulatory Affairs & International Standards

Reports to: IDFA Board

Participants: Open to MIF, NCI, IICA members, particularly employees responsible for plant, corporate production, or quality assurance; and Gold Business Partners

Purpose: Charged with developing ways to help processors through the SQF program certification process, a third-party food safety and quality system offered by the Food Marketing Institute in response to retailer demand for new food safety measures.

### **IDFA HACCP Task Force**

Staff: Jon Gardner, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs & International Standards

Reports to: MIF Board

Participants: MIF members and Gold Business Partners

Purpose: To organize Grade A processors interested in HACCP as a regulatory tool and advocate their views.

### **IDFA International Standards Committee**

Staff: Jon Gardner, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs & International Standards

Reports to: IDFA Board

Participants: Open to MIF, NCI members and Gold Business Partners

Purpose: To review international food standards, such as labeling, food additives, and food hygiene, and provide recommendations to the International Dairy Federation (IDF) to present industry's position to the Codex Alimentarius Commission.

### **IDFA International Trade Committee (standing)**

Staff: Clay Hough, Senior Group Vice President & General Counsel

Reports to: MIF, NCI, and IICA Boards

Participants: Open to MIF, NCI and IICA members and Gold Business Partners who have either experience or interest in expanding international trade opportunities for dairy foods and ingredients.

Purpose: Established in 1998, this Committee is charged with recommending policy positions and priorities with respect to negotiations, agreements, and policies that affect international trade in dairy foods, and with ensuring that international trade policies and domestic dairy policies are consistent, coordinated, and mutually reinforcing.

### **IDFA Legislative Oversight Committee (ad hoc)**

Staff: Jerry Slominski, Senior Vice President, Legislative Affairs & Economic Policy

Reports to: IDFA Board

Participants: Members are appointed from MIF, NCI and IICA Boards, including current chairmen of each Association.

Purpose: Serves in an oversight capacity for management of activities and funding to address milk pricing policy issues.

### **IDFA *Mycobacterium paratuberculosis* Task Force (ad hoc)**

Staff: Jon Gardner, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs & International Standards

Reports to: IDFA Board

Participants: Open to MIF, NCI, IICA members and Gold Business Partners

Purpose: Charged with reviewing current research information on *Mycobacterium paratuberculosis* and Johnes disease. Includes developing information on mycobacterium paratuberculosis to be used for member education and media inquiries.

### **IDFA PAC Steering Committee (standing - revised annually)**

Staff: Jerry Slominski, Senior Vice President, Legislative Affairs & Economic Policy

Reports to: IDFA Board

Participants: There are three co-chairs, one each from MIF, NCI and IICA. The vice chairs from each of these three Boards serve as the co-chairs of the Committee. Other members are invited to serve on an annual basis.

Membership is open to members who give or raise money for the PAC.

Purpose: Charged with developing the PAC plan and priorities for the year.

**IDFA International Dairy Show Advisory Committee**

Staff: Neil Moran, Senior Vice President, Finance, Administration & Trade Show

Reports to: IDFA Board

Participants: Open to MIF, NCI, IICA members; Gold Business Partners and Business Partners that are Show Exhibitors

Purpose: To provide guidance to help promote the exhibitor and attendance aspects of the International Dairy Show.

**MILK INDUSTRY FOUNDATION (MIF)**

**MIF Board of Directors (standing)**

Staff: Constance E. Tipton, President & CEO

Participants: Twenty-one to forty elected members of MIF, plus officers, plus the Chairman of IICA, plus the Advisory Committee, plus four Gold Business Partners.

Purpose: The management of the Association shall be under the direction of the MIF Board of Directors.

• **Advisory Committee (standing)**

Staff: Constance E. Tipton, President & CEO

Reports to: MIF Board

Participants: Past Chairmen of the MIF Board

Purpose: To continue to participate on the MIF Board with full voting rights.

• **Executive Committee (standing)**

Staff: Constance E. Tipton, President & CEO

Reports to: MIF Board

Participants: MIF Chair, MIF Vice Chair, MIF Secretary, MIF Treasurer, Chairman of IICA, and seven to nine members of the MIF Board.

Purpose: To enact business in the interim between MIF Board meetings.

**MIF Aseptic Task Force**

Staff: Jon Gardner, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs & International Standards

Reports to: IDFA Board

Participants: Open to MIF members and Gold Business Partners

Purpose: To represent Grade A processors to remove aseptic regulations from the Pasteurized Milk Ordinance.

**MIF Milk Case Loss Task Force**

Staff: Clay Detlefsen, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs & Counsel

Reports to: MIF Board

Participants: MIF members and Gold Business Partners

Purpose: Charged with developing solutions to reduce milk case losses.

**MIF Regulatory Committee (standing)**

Staff: Jon Gardner, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs & International Standards

Reports to: MIF Board

Participants: Open to MIF members and Gold Business Partners

Purpose: Reviews issues related to food safety and develops strategies on changes to the Grade A Pasteurized Milk Ordinance. This Committee prepares submissions to the NCIMS Conference and evaluates issues related to regulations for Grade A milk and milk products.

**MIF Yogurt Task Force**

Staff: Cary Frye, Vice President, Regulatory & Scientific Affairs

Reports to: MIF Board

Participants: Open to MIF members and Gold Business Partners

Purpose: To propose and comment on changes in the federal standards of identity to accommodate new technology for food ingredients and processing methods, as well as consumer preferences.

**MIF & IICA Economic Policy Committee (standing)**

Staff: Bob Yonkers, Vice President & Chief Economist

Reports to: MIF and IICA Boards

Participants: Open to MIF and IICA members

Purpose: This joint Committee is charged with making recommendations regarding economic regulations affecting milk ingredient procurement and milk pricing policies.

**NATIONAL CHEESE INSTITUTE (NCI)**

**NCI Board of Directors (standing)**

Staff: Constance E. Tipton, President & CEO

Participants: Thirty-six members of NCI, plus four Gold Business Partners

Purpose: The management of the Association shall be under the direction of the NCI Board of Directors.

• **Advisory Committee (standing)**

Staff: Constance E. Tipton, President & CEO

Reports to: NCI Board

Participants: Past Chairmen of the NCI Board

Purpose: To continue to participate on the NCI Board with full voting rights.

• **Executive Committee (standing)**

Staff: Constance E. Tipton, President & CEO

Reports to: NCI Board

Participants: NCI Chair, NCI Vice Chair, NCI Secretary, NCI Treasurer, and eight to sixteen members of the NCI Board

Purpose: To enact business in the interim between NCI Board meetings.

**NCI Economic Policy Committee (standing)**

Staff: Bob Yonkers, Vice President & Chief Economist

Reports to: NCI Board

Participants: Open to NCI members

Purpose: Charged with making recommendations regarding economic regulations affecting milk ingredient procurement and milk pricing policies.

**NCI Regulatory Committee (standing)**

Staff: Cary Frye, Vice President, Regulatory & Scientific Affairs

Reports to: NCI Board

Participants: Open to NCI members and Gold Business Partners

Purpose: Charged with making recommendations regarding all technical and scientific regulatory matters, including food safety, biosecurity, standards, Codex and biotechnology.

• **Listeria Subcommittee**

Staff: Cary Frye, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs

Reports to: NCI Regulatory Committee

Participants: Open to NCI Members and Gold Business Partners

Purpose: Charged with working to enact a regulatory action limit for *Listeria monocytogenes*.

**NCI UF Milk Task Force**

Staff: Clay Hough, Senior Group Vice President & General Counsel

Reports to: MIF and NCI Boards

Participants: MIF, NCI members and Gold Business Partners

Purpose: To provide recommendations on changes in the standards of identity for the use of liquid ultrafiltered milk in cheesemaking, including responding to FDA rulemaking on the NCI petition.

## INTERNATIONAL ICE CREAM ASSOCIATION (IICA)

### **IICA Board of Directors (standing)**

Staff: Constance E. Tipton, President & CEO

Participants: Forty-eight elected members of IICA, plus officers, plus the Chairman of MIF, plus the Advisory Committee, plus four Gold Business Partners.

Purpose: The management of the Association shall be under the direction of the IICA Board of Directors.

#### • **Advisory Committee (standing)**

Staff: Constance E. Tipton, President & CEO

Reports to: IICA Board

Participants: Past Chairmen of the IICA Board

Purpose: To continue to participate on the IICA Board with full voting rights.

#### • **Executive Committee (standing)**

Staff: Constance E. Tipton, President & CEO

Reports to: IICA Board

Participants: IICA Chair, IICA Vice Chair, IICA Secretary, IICA Treasurer, Chairman of MIF, and nine to seventeen members of the IICA Board

Purpose: To enact business in the interim between IICA Board meetings.

### **IICA Regulatory Committee (standing)**

Staff: Cary Frye, Vice President, Regulatory & Scientific Affairs

Reports to: IICA Board

Participants: Open to IICA members and Gold Business Partners

Purpose: Charged with making recommendations regarding all technical and scientific regulatory matters, including food safety, biosecurity, standards, Codex and biotechnology.

#### • **IICA Listeria Subcommittee**

Staff: Cary Frye, Vice President, Regulatory & Scientific Affairs

Reports to: IICA Regulatory Committee

Participants: Open to IICA members and Gold Business Partners

Purpose: Responsible for working to enact a regulatory action limit for *Listeria monocytogenes*.

#### • **IICA Standards Subcommittee**

Staff: Cary Frye, Vice President, Regulatory & Scientific Affairs

Reports to: IICA Regulatory Committee

Participants: Open to IICA members and Gold Business Partners

Purpose: Responsible for developing and supporting proposed changes to the ice cream standards of identity allowing for new ingredients and technologies.

### **MIF & IICA Economic Policy Committee (standing)**

Staff: Jerry Slominski, Senior Vice President, Legislative Affairs & Economic Policy

Reports to: MIF and IICA Boards

Participants: MIF and IICA members

Purpose: This joint Committee of MIF and IICA members is charged with making recommendations regarding economic regulations affecting milk ingredient procurement and milk pricing policies.

## **Non-Board-Directed Groups**

### **Food Safety Contact**

Staff: Ruth Saunders, Vice President, Policy & Legislative Affairs

Participants & Purpose: Employees of member companies who like to be updated and notified of any food safety initiative or action.

### **GRAND (Grassroots Action Network for Dairy) Key Contact**

Staff: Ashley Burch, Assistant Director, Political Programs

Participants & Purpose: An individual within a company who is IDFA's first-line contact in the grassroots network if there is active legislation pending in a particular state. This person also receives the Grassroots Newsletter.

### **Member Media Network**

Staff: Peggy Armstrong, Vice President, Communications

Participants & Purpose: Communications professionals and other individuals interested in staying up to date on IDFA's communications activities—quarterly conference calls, regular media alert e-mails—regarding industry strategy on sensitive issues, as well as assistance with responding to media inquiries.

### **Sustainability Interest Group (SIG)**

Staff: Clay Detlefsen, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs & Counsel

Participants & Purpose: Open to all member groups, individuals will receive communications about new developments in the area of sustainability and will be invited to participate in IDFA discussions on an as-needed basis.

### **US Coalition for Nutritional Ingredients**

Staff: Clay Hough, Senior Group Vice President & General Counsel

Participants & Purpose: Open to members of MIF, NCI, IICA, IDFA Gold Business Partners and Business Partners, this is an ad hoc association of IDFA members and other trade associations and advocacy groups opposing the imposition of TRQs on dairy ingredients.

### **Washington Representatives Group**

Staff: Jerry Slominski, Senior Vice President, Legislative Affairs & Economic Policy

Participants & Purpose: Open to MIF, NCI, IICA members who have representative offices in Washington, DC. Meets periodically to discuss legislative actions and the political climate in Washington, DC.