

Commodity Advisory Council Meeting

The Iowa USDA Foods Advisory Council met on Friday, September 30, 2011. Council members in attendance were: Jane Heikenen, Denise Rawson, Jim Rupp, Linda Mitchell, Lisa Nolting, Marie Miller, Nancy Hogstad, Sharon Foote, Troy Lebeck, Vickie McVey and Virginia Bechtold. Those not in attendance were: Mary Bellwood.

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m. The minutes from the last meeting were read by Nancy Hogstad. Virginia Bechtold voted to approve the minutes and Marie Miller seconded. Nancy Hogstad was elected as Chair and Lisa Nolting as Secretary for the 2011-12 school year.

The council discussed the process of sampling the cheese-filled breadsticks, then sampled the breadsticks, scored, and discussed the products.

The council discussed the cost of processed items and the proportion of entitlement cost vs. processing cost.

This school year, the council will be re-bidding on the following products: French Toast Sticks, Cheese Filled Breadstick, Juice Cups (if cost effective when compared to cost from a distributor), and Chicken Nuggets.

The next meeting will be on Friday, January 27, 2012 at the Des Moines Central Kitchen.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made and seconded at 1:45 p.m.

Submitted by:

Lisa Nolting, Secretary