

Model Aquatic Health Code (MAHC)  
STEERING COMMITTEE

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**MARCH 19, 2008, 2:30–4:00 PM**

**Members Present:** Michael Beach, Chip Cleary, Joe Hunsaker, Amanda Long – Asst. to the Director, Charles Otto, Douglas Sackett - Director, Lee Tate - MAHC Coordinator.

**1. General Business:** The February 14<sup>th</sup> minutes were approved. A discussion took place whether meetings should be postponed or not; the SC decided to hold meetings as scheduled, and to return to the original schedule of conference calls on the second Wednesday of every month.

**2. Technical Committee Chairperson Conference Call Update:** Conference calls were held in early March with the two TC chairpersons. Introductions were made, an overview of the MAHC process and product was given, and the TC chairperson duties and TC formation/structure were discussed.

**3. Technical Committee Updates:** The priority rankings that have been received thus far have been averaged. Monitoring & testing, filtration, and recirculation systems are the top three – they are the TCs the SC had already decided would be next. Rankings will be finalized once all members submit lists, and chairpersons and liaisons need to be found.

It was decided to increase outreach efforts to expand the candidate pool for TC members. This will include outreach within a SC member's agency, announcements in national newsletters of the aquatics industry, engineering groups, and CDC's network of environmental health directors.

Scopes of work are needed for the other four committees. They will be based on the Strawman outline, and the parts of the Strawman that fit into each TC need to be determined. The message to the TCs would be "Here is what we would like you to tackle as part of your committee work."

The CDC Team Collaboration site is being expanded to include areas for TCs to communicate and share information. TC chairpersons and members will be trained in how to use the site.

**4. March 7<sup>th</sup> Conference Call with International Code Council of Plumbing:** An ICC representative contacted the SC with an interest in exploring a collaboration with the MAHC project. A conference call was held on March 7<sup>th</sup> between representatives from the SC and ICC. The call was primarily a meet and greet and with a promise to talk again later. ICC was invited to have their members participate on MAHC TCs.

**5. Fecal/Blood/Vomit Accident Response Protocol:** Main points in the SC's discussion of the protocol included: 1) change "accident" to "contamination"; 2) Consider the supporting information needed in the annex for each step of the protocol; 3) more information and research is needed before protocols for pools using bromine, cyanurates, or UV can be determined; 4) procedural steps involving clean-up of fecal material; 5) more flexibility in how required CT values can be reached; and 6) clarify wording ensure protocols are clear for operators.

**6. Other items, wrap-up:** The MAHC Grading System was discussed; proposed wording will be sent to SC members for their review and comments. There were no updates regarding the February meeting with APSP; however, updates will be shared when they are received. The next conference call will be Wednesday, April 9, from 2:30-4:00 PM.