

TNI PT Program Executive Committee Meeting Summary

July 24, 2024

1. Roll call, approval of minutes and overview:

Chair, Stacie Crandall, called the TNI PT Program Executive Committee (PTPEC) meeting to order at 11am Eastern on July 24, 2024. Attendance is recorded in Attachment A – there were ten (10) voting members present. Associate members present: Michella Karapondo, Carl Kircher (phone only – 11:26am Eastern) and Rachel Hook (new Associate member).

Rachel Hook introduced herself as a new associate member. She is the Director of Laboratory Services at HRSD in Virginia.

There were no changes made to the agenda and it was approved by unanimous consent.

The April 24, 2024, meeting minutes were reviewed by email and on screen. An editorial change needs to be made to new voting member contact information.

The May 22, 2024, meeting minutes were reviewed by email and on screen. An editorial change needs to be made to new voting member contact information.

The June 26, 2024, meeting minutes were reviewed by email and on screen. An editorial change needs to be made to new voting member contact information. Amanda volunteered to join the SOP Subcommittee but has not agreed to Chair. Spelling – Disciple should be discipline. Change Nic to Nick.

A motion was made by Tim to approve the April 24, 2024, May 22, 2024, and June 26, 2024 minutes with no changes other than corrections noted above. The motion was seconded by Susan and unanimously approved.

2. DW FoPT Table - PFAS

Stacie sent the responses as discussed to the seven comments received.

Stacie responded about the nomenclature and that all changes were made and that it has been aligned with the methods and TNI's LAMS for consistency.

A commenter asked for PTRL to be adjusted to match the trigger limits. Stacie responded that we have assigned these based on the PT data as described in our SOP's and that a review of these FoPT tables will be included in the next round of reviews and adjustments to PTRLs may be made at that time if it is necessary based on a larger set of data.

The May minutes included Stacie's responses. She did not hear back from any of the commenters after sending the response.

Stacie pulled up the DW FoPT Table to review the final PFAS information. She pulled it from the website. William will send out the notification about the update once he hears from Stacie that it is final after this meeting.

The six compounds have been adjusted to 30%, the remaining compounds were left at 40%.

There were no comments, so William can send out the notification.

3. Subcommittee Updates

Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee

They are still waiting for one last PT Provider's data. Jerry Parr and Ilona are working on this. Need to understand how much data is missing if the data is not received from this PT Provider. I will add a question to the letter being written.

It was asked whether PTPAs could provide this data. Why does it need to come from the PT Provider. No PTPA was on the call to respond.

Could we add this change to PT Expert Committee standards? It would be better to make this request before the post they their DRAFT Standard. Stacie recommends this be considered – Have the PTPA's supply the data.

Tim provides data to the PTPA and to TNI. He is not sure if what is sent to the PTPA includes the information TNI requests to review to establish new limits as needed. He does not believe what is sent to the PTPA includes everything.

Ilona noted that the PTPEC does not need to tell the PTPA how to collect the data. PTPEC would just request that the process change to PTPEC asking the PTPAs for the data and they can collect the data from the PT Providers. Currently, Volume 3 says PT Providers must send data and Volume 4 says PTPAs must monitor.

A Workgroup was developed to prepare language to send to the PT Expert Committee: Michella, Tim Miller, Susan, Stacie, and Ilona. The Workgroup will meet in Garden Grove right after the PTPEC meeting.

WET FoPT Subcommittee

Submitted slides for summer meeting.

PTP SOP Subcommittee

Still looking for a Subcommittee Chair. The new Subcommittee Chair can determine the meeting schedule. Amanda is willing to take on the Chair role.

4. Presentation for Garden Grove

Susan will send a copy of the presentation when it is completed by email to the Committee. She will ask for comments before she finalizes it.

5. New Business

There was no new business.

6. Action Items

The action items can be found in Attachment C. Attachment B includes a list of reminders.

7. New PTPEC Chair Discussion and Vote

Associate members were asked to end the call and only voting members were present for the discussion and vote.

Susan is willing to accept the Chair role of the PTPEC. Stacie will step into the role of Program Administrator and Ilona will continue to help through the end of August and as needed.

A motion was made by Amanda to appoint Susan as the Chair of the PTPEC as of August 5, 2024. The motion was seconded by Tim and unanimously approved.

8. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be in person on August 5, 2024, at 9am Pacific in Garden Grove, CA.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 pm Eastern. (Motion: Tim. Second: Amanda. Unanimously approved)

Attachment A
Participants
TNI
Proficiency Testing Program Executive Committee

Members	Rep	Affiliation	Contact Information
Stacie Crandall (2025*) (Chair) Present	Lab	HRSD	stacie.crandall@nelac-institute.org
Ilona Taunton, Program Administrator Present		TNI	ilona.taunton@nelac-institute.org
Susan Jackson (2025*) (Vice-Chair) Present	Lab	South Carolina DES	susan.jackson@des.sc.gov
Amy DeMarco (2027*) Absent	Other	NY	amy.demarco@health.ny.gov
Craig Huff (2027*) Absent	Other	Waters	craig_huff@waters.com
Tim Miller (2024*) Present.	Other	Phenova	timm@phenova.com
Jennifer Best (2025*) Present	Other	USEPA	jennifer.best@epa.gov
Jack Denby (2025*) Present	Lab/FSMO	HRSD	jdenby@hrsd.com
Rachel Ellis (2025) Present	AB	New Jersey DEP	Rachel.ellis@dep.nj.gov
Patrick Selig (2024*) Absent	AB	ANAB	pselig@anab.org
Prasanth Ramakrishnan (2024*) Absent	AB	ISA	pramakrishnan@iasonline.org
<u>Amanda Fehr</u> (2027*) Present	Lab	GEL	amanda.fehr@gel.com
<u>Marina Aziz</u> (2027*) Present	AB	NY	marina.aziz@health.ny.gov

Attachment B

Backburner / Reminders – TNI PT Executive Committee

	Item	Meeting Reference	Comments
7	Add the Field PT Subcommittee to the limit update SOP during its next update.	3/4/10	In Progress
11	Evaluate how labs are accredited for analytes that co-elute.	5-19-11	See meeting reference for details.
13	Charter needs to be reviewed/updated in November.	Ongoing	
18	Shawn noted that PTPEC should have some specific measurements. This should be passed along to the PTP SOP Subcommittee. Nicole noted that we need to determine which items to measure.	6-29-17	To be added to 2021 goals.
19	Review possible issues surrounding one vendor for Radiochemistry PTs.	3/24/23	

Attachment C: PTPEC Committee Action Item Summary – 2024. **To be attached.**