The Global Animal Health, Food Security and Trade Council met on Tuesday, April 4, 2017 from 2:00 to 5:30 p.m. during the 2017 NIAA Annual Conference in Columbus, Ohio, with approximately 17 people present. Drs. Leonard Bull and Linda Hickam served as Co-Chairs.

The Global Animal Health, Food Security and Trade Council session focused on food safety and security and a specific disease incident. The following speakers presented relevant information pertaining to the focus of the session:

Wondwossen A. Gebreyes, DVM, PhD, DACVPM – The Ohio State University, presented on “The Role of Global One Health Capacity in Global Food Systems”
- Food safety is a multi-factor issue with the factors being host, pathogens and environmental;
- The example was antimicrobial resistance, which is a multifactorial problem and the solution is not simply reduced usage, but finding production methods to reduce stress and looking at alternative treatment methods and alternatives to antibiotic use.

Richard Sellers, Sr. Vice President, Public Policy and Education – American Feed Industry Association, presented on “The Challenges of Imported Animal Food and the Care the Industry Takes”
- The feed industry has devoted a lot of time energy and resources to research and implementation of quality control and HASEP audits.
- Future concerns surround the actions of FDA and implementation of the Food Safety Modernization Act

Ben Wileman, DVM, PhD - AgForte / Wilmar Poultry Company, presented on “Food Security Implications with an Animal Disease Incident”
- The ability to control a major disease incident is necessary to insure food security and the economics of animal production.
- In light of the 2015 HPAI incident, changes were implemented to improve and insure control of a future incident in a more efficient manner.

Hector Cervantes, DVM, MS, DACPV Hon. MAM – Phibro Animal Health, presented on “Salmonella Control Programs for Poultry in the USA”
- Dr. Cervantes gave a very good overview of the history, current and future control mechanisms for Salmonella in the poultry industry.
- He emphasized that a successful control must be a multi-pronged approach and producers must adhere to established policies.

Old Business: There was none.
New Business:

- Resolution #3 was Reaffirmed, Resolution #4 was Reaffirmed. All others were left as is.
- Consensus Points for NIAA White Paper Development
  - Refer to the bulleted points in the above section as presented by each of the presenters.