

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

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Committee Actions

The Safety Committee held its meeting September 18, 2007 during the AOAC Annual Meeting in Anaheim, CA. Maire Walsh attended representing the Board of Directors. Only 4 members were present due to other Committee meetings being conducted at the same time.

The main topic was the Official Methods Board reorganization plan; several committees were already retired, and some will be retired once action has been taken on the last method remaining. The Safety Committee will continue but Safety Advisors will not be specifically assigned to any committee, they will advise according to their expertise.

During the meeting, the necessity of having new members was discussed and suggested possible qualified replacements as Safety Advisors. Eugene Chechick retired and Paul McCormack's term expired.

The Safety Committee members were encouraged to submit safety topics for publication in *Inside Laboratory Management* (ILM). The member can write the article or provide background information for use by ILM staff.