

CITRUS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, INC.
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
November 1, 2016

A Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Citrus Research and Development Foundation, Inc. was held on Tuesday, November 1, 2016 at the University of Florida, IFAS, CREC, Ben Hill Griffin Hall, in Lake Alfred, Florida. The meeting was properly noticed and recorded. The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by President Tom Jerkins. Roll was called and a quorum was present. Board members present were: Mr. Bobby Barben; Mr. Larry Black; Dr. Jackie Burns (telephone); Mr. Joe Davis, Jr.; Mr. Ned Hancock; Mr. Tom Jerkins; Mr. Ricke Kress; Dr. Jeanna Mastrodicasa (telephone); Mr. Ben McLean; Mr. Jerry Newlin; Mr. Wayne Simmons; and Mr. Hugh Thompson. Dr. Lisa Conti did not participate. Also participating were: Dr. Harold Browning; Dr. Jim Dukowitz; Dr. Catherine Hatcher; Mr. Andrew Meadows; Dr. Patricia Ouimet; Ms. Shannon Shepp; Dr. Stephanie Slinski; and Dr. Tom Turpen.

Also in attendance were: Ms. Brandy Brown; Ms. Brandi Goller; Ms. Leanna Himrod; and Dr. Susan Logue.

Mr. Jerkins moved to accept the Minutes of the August 23, 2016 Board of Directors meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Black and passed unanimously.

Finance and Audit Committee: Chairman Hugh Thompson reviewed the Financial Summary and Accompanying Statements. Mr. Thompson moved to approve the financial statements as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Barben and passed unanimously.

Chairman Thompson discussed changes to the FY 2015-2016 Tax Forms. Mr. Thompson moved to approve the FY 2015-2016 Tax Forms as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Davis and passed unanimously.

Mr. Thompson gave a brief update on the UF Foundation Fee Assessment, reporting an increase from 2.5% to 5% on all donations that come through UFF. All donations made on or before June 30, 2016 will not be effect by the increase.

Long Term Research Funding and Legislative Matters: Mr. Andrew Meadows gave an update on the State and Federal funding programs.

Governance Committee: Chairman Ricke Kress reported there will be a Governance Meeting directly following the BoD meeting today and they will review Indirect Charge (IDC) and staffing issues.

Research Management Committee: Chairman Bobby Barben reported that the committee had not met. Mr. Tom Turpen reported they are continuing to advance the Bayer Partnership and the updates to the nuPsyllid program are being implemented.

Dr. Browning gave an update on the modifications to the nuPsyllid Project. There was Board discussion about the nuPsyllid project and getting better understanding on nuPsyllid. It was suggested that a Dr. Turpen develop a white paper to communicate the expected outcomes from the nuPsyllid project as it comes to conclusion, as well as how the progress will be continued.

Commercial Product Delivery Committee: Chairman Ben McLean gave a report from the October 28 CPDC Meeting.

Dr. Slinski gave an update on the Tree Health Section 18 Renewal stating in early October, a letter from the Agricultural Commissioner was submitted to EPA, seeking recertification for the use of three bactericides in Florida citrus by January 1, 2017.

The committee recommendation for project #16-023C Dr. Etxeberria “Determining the Efficacy of a New Class of Adjuvants in Increasing Penetration of Antimicrobials into Citrus Leaves.” was presented for a budget in the amount of \$23,603 for six months. Mr. McLean made a motion to approve funding for project #16-023C Dr. Etxeberria “Determining the Efficacy of a New Class of Adjuvants in Increasing Penetration of Antimicrobials into Citrus Leaves.” in the amount of \$23,603 for six months. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hancock and passed unanimously.

Dr. Browning gave a brief update on the Bayer Partnership. There was Board discussion on timelines and CRDF liaison with this proposed project.

The committee recommendation for project #16-020C Vincent “Dyed kaolin to repel Asian citrus psyllid in field conditions.” revised proposal was presented in the amount of \$273,908. Mr. McLean made a motion to approve the revised budget for project #16-020C Vincent “Dyed kaolin to repel Asian citrus psyllid in field conditions.” in the amount of \$273,908. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kress and passed unanimously.

Dr. Browning reported that the Recertification request for Belay 2.13SC Insecticide has been submitted to EPA

Dr. Catherine Hatcher gave a presentation on “Deployment of disease resistant or tolerant citrus rootstocks and scions and project organization”, outlining her activities since joining CRDF four months ago. There was discussion among the board members with Dr. Hatcher and Dr. Browning regarding progress and participation by plant improvement scientists funded by CRDF. Mr. Kress made a motion that CRDF develop a letter to ALL conventional and genetic engineering research leaders, outlining the need to have direct support to CRDF with ALL research to ensure that ALL projects are designed, implemented and operated to ensure ALL requirements are met. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hancock. It was suggested that the letter start with or get copied to senior management of the breeders. The motion was passed unanimously.

Committee recommendation for project #16-010C Dewdney “Enhancement of Postbloom fruit drop control measures.” proposal revision was presented to add only the modeling objectives in the amount of \$70,093. Mr. McLean made a motion to approve project #16-010C Dewdney “Enhancement of Postbloom fruit drop control measures.” revision to add the modeling in the amount of \$70,093. The motion was seconded by Mr. Davis and passed unanimously.

Dr. Jim Dukowitz presented a review of proposed license agreement between UF and a third party for licensing of research results funded in part by CRDF. Following discussion, Mr. Black made a motion to letter of No Objection to the University. The motion was seconded by Mr. Davis and passed unanimously.

Industry Research Coordinating Committee: Chairman Wayne Simmons reported the IRCC will be meeting next week to finalize their priorities and conduct the gaps analysis.

COO Report: No report.

Future CRDF Meetings: Board of Directors meeting – December 6, 2016

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:25pm.

Minutes submitted by Brandy Brown