

CITRUS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, INC.

Commercial Product Delivery Committee

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 22, 2017

A meeting of the Commercial Product Delivery Committee of the Citrus Research and Development Foundation, Inc. was held on Wednesday, February 22, 2017. The meeting was properly noticed and recorded. The meeting was called to order at 9:35 am by Chairman Ben McLean. Roll was called and a quorum was present. Committee members participating were: Dr. Timothy L. Anglea; Mr. Larry Black; Ms. Holly Chamberlain (telephone); Mr. Joe Davis, Jr.; Mr. David Howard; Mr. Ricke Kress (telephone); Mr. Ben McLean; Mr. Jerry Newlin; Dr. Patricia Ouimet; Mr. Andy Rackley (telephone); Mr. Tom Stopyra; and Mr. Hugh W. Thompson. Dr. Jackie Burns, Mr. Peter McClure, Dr. Brian Scully and Ms. Shannon Shepp did not participate. Other participants were: Mr. Dan Botts; Mr. Larry Davis; Dr. Jim Dukowitz; Dr. Catherine Hatcher; Dr. Michael Rogers; Dr. Swadeshmukul Santa; Dr. Stephanie Slinski; Dr. James Syvertsen; Dr. Tom Turpen and Dr. Rosa Walsh.

Others attending the meeting included Mr. Bill Barber, Ms. Brandy Brown, and Mr. Charlie Clark (telephone).

Mr. Newlin moved to accept the minutes of the January 13, 2017 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stopyra and with no discussion, passed unanimously.

Chairman McLean asked for the Active Project Updates.

Dr. Slinski presented the AgroSource bactericide field research Quarterly Update. Mr. Kress made a motion that the Commercial Product Delivery Committee recommend to the Board, for AgroSource to provide more information and express the need to know what is going on now. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stopyra and passed unanimously.

At the invitation of the Committee, Dr. Santra gave a presentation on Zinc Based Bactericide, followed by discussion with the committee.

Mr. Dan Botts discussed the Section 18 Approval Update and provided handouts on his presentation.

Dr. Slinski discussed the CRDF-Bayer Partnership proposal.

Dr. Hatcher updated the committee on the Development of Disease Resistant and Tolerant Citrus Rootstocks and Scions, with discussion that followed.

Dr. Slinski and Dr. Hatcher presented the 2017 Portfolio Review with Project Manager Recommendations. These results were provided following review of all active and ending projects in the CRDF portfolio, including new ideas for projects that were both solicited and unsolicited. The Project managers, as a team, reviewed each project and its progress, and the presentation illustrated projects that warranted further discussion, including consideration of next steps for projects ending before June 30,

2017. Discussion of individual projects ensued, with Committee members referring to the summary spreadsheet of projects provided in meeting materials.

Mr. Newlin made a motion to recommend staff form a committee of researchers to further address Resistance Monitoring and submit a new project proposal, a continuation of Project 15-038C, with new techniques before June 30, 2017. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stopyra and passed unanimously.

Dr. Slinski and Dr. Rogers discussed the Field Trial Staffing position that was developed to provide necessary support to CRDF-managed field trials and to support the efforts of CRDF project managers..

Mr. Kress made a motion to defer further discussion of CRDF staff needs to the Governance Meeting on February 28, 2017. The motion was seconded by Mr. Joe Davis, Jr. and passed unanimously. Mr. Kress requested a summary of the staff recommendations and associated supporting documents be provided to Governance Committee members in advance of the Governance Committee meeting.

In further discussion of the CRDF portfolio relating to CPDC, Mr. Newlin made a motion to recommend staff come up with a plan on how to test the three bactericides with a series of tank mix trials and determine the amount of applied bactericides getting into the trees through foliar application and what inhibits bactericides getting into the trees. The motion was seconded by Mr. Joe Davis, Jr. and passed unanimously.

Following discussion of the individual projects in the CPDC portfolio, discussion ensued on the need to identify further project ideas that met the priority emerging from CRDF Strategic Planning that addressed delivery of short term solutions (available to growers in less than three years). It was noted that as the industry continues to experience increasing losses to HLB, short-term tools to help growers remain economically viable are more important than ever, and CRDF needs to look closely at any opportunities to meet this priority.

Dr. Slinski gave a brief update on CPDC Project Review Timeline 2017.

Dr. Rogers gave an update on CRDF Strategic Planning Strategy 3: Grower Playbook, indicating that IFAS is working to incorporate information on HLB management into an expansion of the IFAS Citrus Pest Management Guide. He projected that the expanded product would be completed by July 2017

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:40 pm.

Minutes submitted by B. Brown