CITRUS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, INC.

Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting

November 13, 2015

A closed meeting of the Executive Committee of the Citrus Research and Development Foundation, Inc. was held on Friday, November 13, 2015 in Ben Hill Griffin Hall at the University of Florida, IFAS, CREC, in Lake Alfred, Florida. The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Vice Chairman Ricke Kress. Roll was called and a quorum was present. Executive Committee members present were: Mr. Ricke Kress; Dr. Jeanna Mastrodicasa (telephone); Mr. Jerry Newlin; and Mr. Hugh Thompson (telephone). Mr. Tom Jerkins did not participate. Also present and participating were: Mr. Bobby Barben; Mr. Bill Bewlay; Mr. Larry Black; Mr. Dan Botts; Dr. Harold Browning; Dr. Bob Bruss; Mr. Joe Davis, Jr.; Dr. Kent Morgan; Mr. Craig Noll; Mr. Taw Richardson (AgroSource); Dr. Stephanie Slinski and Mr. Bob Stambaugh.

<u>Mr. Newlin moved to accept the Minutes of the July 28, 2015 Executive Committee meeting</u>. Seconded by Mr. <u>Thompson, the motion passed unanimously</u>.

Mr. Kress stated the Executive Committee meeting was convened to hear presentations of the September 30th progress reports relating to the NuFarm Americas, Inc. and AgroSource, Inc. (ASI) bactericide field evaluation projects. Contract terms indicate that the Executive Committee is the forum for ASI and NuFarm to answer any questions related to the project reports and present business-confidential data emerging from the research.

Dr. Bruss, NuFarm Americas, Inc., updated the committee on progress to determine the magnitude of the residue of oxytetracycline and its metabolites in or on citrus raw agricultural and processing commodities following foliar and trunk applications of Mycoshield[©]. The timelines for fruit harvest, analysis and data interpretation were provided with the complete packet of residue trial data expected to be completed in late summer 2016. An update also was provided on Nufarm's efforts to evaluate efficacy of oxy-tetracycline on trees infected with HLB. Although this project is not funded by CRDF, the company provided a status report on the field evaluations. Discussion also was provided to the Executive Committee on the field use pattern and rationale for inclusion of MycoShield[©] in the petition for Section 18 Emergency Exemption for use in Florida citrus against HLB.

Dr. Kent Morgan, CRADA Team Leader for the AgroSource, Inc. Projects, provided an overview of each project, its goals, the site specifics, and a summary of the treatments that had been applied as of the quarter ending June 30, 2015.

An in-depth overview of each of the three continuing AgroSource projects funded by CRDF was provided by the AgroSource team, highlighting the dates of application of various treatments, the schedule for data sampling, and overview of data summaries available to date. Responses to questions regarding details of the field experiments were provided by the team. An overview of the timeline and milestones indicated that all projects are on time and on schedule.

Additional presentation of information was provided to the Executive Committee concerning the status of support for the inclusion of Firewall© 50 WP and Fireline© 50 WP in the CRDF/FFVA assembly of information for a Section 18 Emergency Exemption targeting CLas and citrus tree health for the 2016 crop season. Details of the field use pattern and rationale for inclusion of these two active ingredients were provided by ASI. Mr. Dan Botts updated the Executive Committee on the status of the packet and potential timelines for movement from FDACS to US EPA. An opportunity for further information and discussion of the Section 18 will occur at subsequent Commercial Product Delivery Committee and Board Meetings. There also was discussion regarding the costs associated with these treatments and how this will fit into grower production budgets.

Strategic Planning Discussions

The final agenda item was a brief presentation by Ms. Alice Gugelev and Mr. Mark Gomez of Business Talent Group (BTG), who have partnered with CRDF to conduct a review of the 2009 business plan and to outline strategic direction. The planning professionals provided an overview of their approach, interview plans and other details of the planning strategy which have been worked out with CRDF staff. Discussion about the communication of CRDF actions and progress also was included. A more detailed presentation and discussion will be conducted during the December, 2015 Board Meeting, and the planning effort is targeted for completion for presentation to the CRDF Board at its February, 2016 meeting.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Jerry Newlin