## CITRUS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, INC.

## **Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting**

July 28, 2015

A closed meeting of the Executive Committee of the Citrus Research and Development Foundation, Inc. was held on Tuesday, July 28, 2015 in the Packinghouse Conference Room, at the University of Florida, IFAS, CREC, in Lake Alfred, Florida. The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chairman Tom Jerkins. Roll was called and a quorum was present. Executive Committee members present were: Mr. Tom Jerkins; Dr. Jackie Burns; Mr. Ricke Kress; Mr. Jerry Newlin; and Mr. Hugh Thompson. Also present and participating were: Mr. Robert Barben (telephone); Mr. Bill Barber; Mr. Bill Bewlay; Mr. Larry Black; Dr. Harold Browning; Mr. Dan Botts; Dr. Bob Bruss; Mr. Joe Davis, Jr.; Mr. Charles Lucas; Mr. Devron McLeod; Mr. John Merritt; Mr. Kent Morgan; Mr. Craig Noll; Dr. Robert Shatters; Mr. Wayne Simmons; Dr. Stephanie Slinski; Mr. Robert Stambaugh; Mr. Taw Richardson (AgroSource); and Mr. Mark Trimmer (telephone).

## Mr. Kress moved to accept the Minutes of the March 24, 2015 Executive Committee meeting. Seconded by Mr. Newlin, the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Jerkins stated the Executive Committee meeting was convened to hear presentations of the June 30<sup>th</sup> progress reports relating to the AgroSource, Inc. (ASI) and NuFarm Americas, Inc. antimicrobial field evaluation projects. Contract terms indicate that the Executive Committee would be the forum for ASI and NuFarm to answer any questions related to the project reports and present business-confidential data emerging from the research.

Mr. Taw Richardson, AgroSource, Inc., 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. He noted that the Section 18 for Firewall 50WP for citrus canker suppression on Florida Grapefruit was re-issued on July 1, 2015. Mr. Richardson expressed concern over the delay in the re-issue of the Section 18, as the resistance monitoring packet was submitted to the EPA June 1<sup>st</sup>.

An in-depth overview of each of the four 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.

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<sup>©</sup>. 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. As with the former projects, the Nufarm residue study is on time and on schedule.

Mr. Jerkins initiated the discussion of two Resolutions by the Board of Directors to recognize the dedication and service by Dr. Joseph Joyce while a member of the CRDF Board of Directors between 2009 and January 2015, and by Dr. George Bruening as Chairman of the Scientific Advisory Board from 2009 until May 2015. <u>Mr. Kress moved to approve the two Resolutions</u>. The motion was seconded by Mr. Newlin and passed unanimously.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Jerry Newlin