

CITRUS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, INC.

Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting

February 23, 2016

A closed meeting of the Executive Committee of the Citrus Research and Development Foundation, Inc. was held on Tuesday, February 23, 2016 in Ben Hill Griffin Hall at the University of Florida, IFAS, CREC, in Lake Alfred, Florida. The meeting was called to order at 12:50 pm by the Chairman Tom Jerkins Jr. Roll was called and a quorum was present. Executive Committee members present were: Mr. Tom Jerkins, Jr.; Mr. Ricke Kress; Mr. Jerry Newlin and Mr. Hugh W. Thompson III. Dr. Jeanna Mastrodicasa did not participate. Also present and participating were: Mr. Bobby Barben; Mr. Larry Black; Dr. Harold Browning; Dr. Jackie Burns; Mr. Joe Davis Jr.; Mr. Ned Hancock; and Mr. Wayne Simmons. Mr. Mike Aerts; Mr. Dan Botts; and Dr. Stephanie Slinski were in attendance.

Mr. Taw Richardson (AgroSource, Inc.); Mr. Bill Bewlay and Mr. Craig Noll (Nufarm Americas, Inc.) were invited to participate for the discussion on their specific Project updates/reports on the Agenda. The purpose of this meeting was the quarterly presentation of business-confidential data associated with sponsored field research with bactericides under registration with the two companies.

Taw Richardson of AgroSource International provided an overview of the field research evaluating season-long applications of the materials Firewall® and Fireline® bactericides containing streptomycin and oxy-tetracycline bactericidal active ingredients, respectively. Results for 2nd quarter of the funding year were presented across the 17 field sites being evaluated. Data summaries were provided and included measures such as improved tree growth, fruit drop, and fruit size measurements taken on the early harvested varieties, and tree health and other pre-harvest metrics on those field sites with later-harvested crop varieties.

An update also was provided on the submission of Section 3 full registration petitions of the two products being evaluated. Since the complete crop residue battery data have been obtained, analyzed, and submitted to US EPA, these data are supportive of both the pending Section 18 petition on citrus tree health, as well as the Section 3 petitions submitted for the two products in November and December of 2015 for use on citrus.

Discussion ensued on the preparedness to support the pending critical use exemption for these products being reviewed by EPA in conjunction with FDACS. Dan Botts of FFVA/TPR commented on the assembly and submission of the tree health Section 18 petition including how the registrants had provided supporting data and field use recommendations.

This discussion ended with an overview by Mr. Richardson of the potential field research that might be considered for follow-up in 2016 growing season. Proposals and work plans will be requested later to address the top priorities developed for this topic by the Commercial Product Delivery Committee of CRDF.

The next segment of the meeting was a report on confidential business data from field evaluation of MycoShield® oxytetracycline bactericide by Mr. Bill Bewlay. Mr. Bewlay presented 2nd quarter progress towards completing the full citrus crop residue package on Mycoshield® a project supported in part by CRDF. Progress in field evaluations of this product for contribution to citrus tree health also was presented. Mr. Bewlay also updated the Committee

on status of their portion of the Section 18 petition, including how support for the product would be provided if/once approval for grower use occurred.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Jerry Newlin