

CITRUS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, INC.

Commercial Product Delivery Committee

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 23, 2018

A meeting of the Commercial Product Delivery Committee of the Citrus Research and Development Foundation, Inc. was held on Tuesday, January 23, 2018. The meeting was properly noticed and recorded. The meeting was called to order at 1:30 pm by Chairman Ben McLean. Roll was called and a quorum was present. Committee members participating were: Dr. Tim Anglea; Mr. Larry Black; Ms. Holly Chamberlain (telephone); Mr. Joe Davis, Jr.; Mr. Ricke Kress; Mr. Ben McLean; Mr. Jerry Newlin; Mr. Andy Rackley; Dr. Brian Scully; Ms. Shannon Shepp (telephone); Mr. Tom Stopyra (telephone); and Mr. John Updike. Dr. Jackie Burns; Dr. Greg Hodges and Dr. Pat Ouimet did not participate. Other participants were: Mr. Dan Botts; Dr. Harold Browning; Ms. Sharon Garrett; Ms. Brandi Goller; Dr. Jude Grosser; Dr. Catherine Hatcher; Mr. Alec Hayes; Mr. David Howard; Dr. Michael Rogers; Dr. Stephanie Slinski; Dr. Jim Syvertsen; and Dr. Lisa Weaver.

Others attending the meeting included Mr. Rob Atchley; Ms. Brandy Brown, Ms. Kelly Friend, Ms. Mary Hartney, Mr. Tom Jerkins, Mr. Kevin Langdon, Mr. Charlie Lykes, Mr. Roy Morris, Mr. Craig Noll, Ms. Audrey Nowicki (telephone), Mr. Steve Olsen, Dr. Juanita Popenoe, Mr. Bill Row and Dr. Rosa Walsh.

Mr. Davis moved to accept the minutes of the October 16, 2017 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kress and with no discussion, passed unanimously.

Chairman McLean welcomed the new committee member Mr. John Updike. Mr. McLean recognized and thanked Mr. Andy Rackley for his service, and acknowledged Mr. Rackley's announcement will be retiring this year. Mr. Rackley introduced Ms. Kelly Friend, his current Deputy Director, who he indicated would be his replacement.

Dr. Weaver referenced the Project Manager Quarterly Report provided in meeting materials and encouraged committee members to review the report and forward questions or discussion back to the Project Managers. The report also will be posted to the CRDF website.

Dr. Slinski gave a brief presentation highlighting status on the use of CRDF-funded PCR labs by chemical companies as requested at the last meeting. Dr. Slinski noted that a very low percentage of samples were from private industry.

Mr. Dan Botts gave an update on the Tree Health Section 18 Status and its recertification. He also outlined an EPA Consultation scheduled for February 22. This meeting will provide update on broader strategies for HLB management and details on specific technologies that will require regulatory review for implementation. A report will follow this meeting.

Dr. Slinski gave an update on the Tank Mix Subcommittee report and Injection of Bactericides, highlighting the collection of details on both topics. These needs will be considered in the development of calls for pre-proposals for both RMC and CPDC in Spring.

Dr. Slinski presented a consulting proposal for Dr. George Sundin to support interpretation of bactericide monitoring data emerging from CRDF-funded fieldwork (#17-006C). Staff recommended to move forward with consultation in 2018 not to exceed \$7,000 to cover billable hours and approved travel. Mr. Black made a motion in support of the Sundin consulting work with CRDF with a budget not to exceed \$7,000. The motion was seconded by Dr. Scully and passed unanimously.

Dr. Syvertsen gave a report on completion of CRDF efforts to evaluate Thermal Therapy, highlighting limited long-term benefit derived from collection of field trial data over the past 3 years. Discussion followed on the limitations of this work and what else might be done to take advantage of this technology.

Mr. Botts gave an update on the Clothianidin Section 18 continuation for use on ACP management in young citrus trees.

Dr. Rogers gave a presentation on IFAS recommendations for ACP Management. This presentation, which updated ongoing research into ACP resistance to recommended pesticides and revision of recommendations, will be available on the CRDF website.

Dr. Browning announced that the presentation by AgLogic was postponed and would be available at a later meeting.

Dr. Weaver gave an update on the NuPsyllid Final Report.

Dr. Hatcher presented a new proposal #18-001C, Grosser, requesting Field Trial Support for a new field trial of rootstock/scion combinations. Earlier consideration by CRDF led to this proposal being presented. It represents a proposed cooperation from 3 funding organizations over 5 years and requests \$25,000 a year for 3 years, the limit available for funding from CRDF. Project Management Staff reviewed the proposal and recommended deferring this proposal for the 2018 formal RFP call. Mr. Kress made a motion to accept the recommendation for a formal RFP call. The motion was seconded by Dr. Scully and passed with five opposing votes.

Mr. Alec Hayes gave a presentation from Florida Citrus Processors Association Research Subcommittee, who recently completed a California citrus Research Tour November 2017.

Dr. Weaver gave a presentation on the CRDF/Bayer Partnership Steering Committee meeting held January 17, 2018 in France. She reported that the milestones and objectives for this project had been met and some exciting leads were reported by Bayer.

Dr. Browning reviewed the USDA, NIFA, SCRI Citrus HLB 2017-18 Round 4 Awards. The information was provided in materials and posted to the CRDF webpage.

Dr. Browning gave brief update on Planning for RMC and CPDC calls for pre-proposals in 2018.

Mr. McLean announced that Mr. Howard has stepped down as the Vice-Chair of CPDC to focus on his new appointment as chair of RMC. Nominations for this role were Mr. Joe Davis and Ms. Holly Chamberlain. The Committee members voted to elect Ms. Chamberlain as Vice-Chair if she was willing. Staff will contact Ms. Chamberlain about becoming vice-chair and Mr. Davis added that he would accept if Ms. Chamberlain declines. The Vice-Chair announcement will be made at the next CPDC meeting.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:52 pm.

Minutes submitted by Brandy Brown