

CITRUS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, INC.

Commercial Product Delivery Committee

Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 16, 2017

A meeting of the Commercial Product Delivery Committee of the Citrus Research and Development Foundation, Inc. was held on Monday, October 16, 2017. 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 (telephone); Mr. Larry Black; Ms. Holly Chamberlain; Mr. David Howard; Mr. Ricke Kress; Mr. Ben McLean; Mr. Jerry Newlin (telephone); Dr. Patricia Ouimet; Dr. Brian Scully; Ms. Shannon Shepp (telephone); Mr. Tom Stopyra; Dr. Jackie Burns; Mr. Joe Davis, Jr.; Mr. Peter McClure; and Mr. Andy Rackley. Mr. Hugh Thompson did not participate. Other participants were: Dr. Harold Browning; Mr. Tim Eyrich; Dr. Jude Grosser; Dr. Catherine Hatcher; Dr. Stephanie Slinski (telephone); and Dr. Lisa Weaver.

Others attending the meeting included Ms. Brandy Brown, Dr. Jim Dukowitz, Ms. Kelly Friend (telephone), Ms. Sharon Garrett (telephone), Dr. Fred Gmitter, Ms. Brandi Goller, Mr. Charlie Lykes, Ms. Audrey Nowicki (telephone), Mr. Brandon Page, Dr. Jim Syvertsen, Mr. John Updike and Dr. Rosa Walsh.

Mr. Kress moved to accept the minutes of the August 10, 2017 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Howard and with no discussion, passed unanimously.

Chairman McLean asked for Active Project Updates.

Dr. Browning introduced three CRDF Board Member Elects: Mr. David Howard with Graves Brothers, Mr. Charlie Lykes with Lykes Brothers, and Mr. John Updike with Alcoma Caretaking.

Dr. Browning introduced the new Senior Program Manager, Dr. Lisa Weaver. Dr. Weaver's bio was included in materials. Dr. Weaver gave a presentation on the status of field projects following Hurricane Irma. IFAS, USDA, and Growers gave updates on the impact of Hurricane Irma.

Dr. Weaver presented an adjustment to project 15-032C Irely "Continued support for the Southern Gardens Diagnostic Laboratory" related to oversampling for \$29,208.91. Mr. Stopyra made a motion to support a budget amendment for project 15-032C Irely for \$29,208.91 for additional sampling. The motion was seconded by Dr. Scully and passed with one abstaining vote from Mr. Kress.

Dr. Weaver presented an adjustment to project 17-006C Triplett "Monitoring of citrus groves for non-target antibiotic resistance prior to and after application of streptomycin and oxytetracycline" for one additional sampling site to be added to the project with a budget of \$16,935. Mr. Kress made a motion to support a budget amendment to project 17-006C Triplett for \$16,935 for one additional sampling site to be added to the project. The motion was seconded by Dr. Ouimet and passed unanimously.

Dr. Weaver discussed for consideration of a consultant to assist CRDF with bactericide resistance monitoring. Mr. Kress made a motion to approve moving forward to develop a proposal from Dr. Sundin for consulting work with CRDF. The motion was seconded by Mr. McLean and passed unanimously.

Dr. Browning discussed forming a subcommittee to assist in development of the tank mix trials to work with Dr. Slinski. The four members who agreed to be on the subcommittee were Ms. Chamberlain, Mr. Howard, Mr. Newlin, and Mr. Stopyra.

Dr. Browning introduced Mr. Tim Eyrich from Southern Gardens who gave a presentation on RNAi Field Trial supported by CRDF.

Dr. Hatcher presented a request from IFAS for Plant Improvement Field Trial support from the committee. The project would conduct field-testing to identify elite rootstocks that can mitigate or prevent HLB in scions potentially important to USA Citriculture under an optimized affordable production system. The request is for a five year project starting January 2018 through December 2022 with a budget request of \$125,000. Dr. Jude Grosser discussed details of the proposed work with the committee. Mr. Newlin made a motion to request a proposal from Dr. Grosser to be reviewed by staff. The motion was seconded by Dr. Ouimet and passed unanimously. Dr. Browning asked committee members to send points to Dr. Hatcher that they would like to see addressed in the proposal.

Dr. Browning gave an update on Federal HLB Funding Programs.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:58 pm.

Minutes submitted by Brandy Brown