CITRUS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, INC.

Minutes of the Research Management Committee Meeting Thursday, February 15, 2018

A meeting of the Research Management Committee of the Citrus Research and Development Foundation, Inc. was held on Thursday, February 15, 2018. The meeting was properly noticed and recorded. The meeting was called to order at 9:30 am by Chairman David Howard. Roll was called and a quorum was present. Committee members participating were: Mr. Bobby Barben; Mr. Tim Dooley; Mr. Steve Farr; Mr. David Howard; Mr. Daniel Scott; Mr. Joby Sherrod; Mr. Jim Snively; and Mr. Mike Stewart. Mr. Larry Davis, Mr. Peter McClure and Mr. Wayne Simmons did not participate. Also participating were: Mr. Rob Atchley; Mr. Bill Barber; Mr. Larry Black; Dr. Harold Browning; Ms. Holly Chamberlain; Mr. Joe Davis, Jr.; Mr. Michael Harowitz; Dr. Catherine Hatcher; Mr. Lee Jones; Mr. Ricke Kress (telephone); Mr. Charlie Lykes; Mr. Jerry Newlin (telephone); Mr. Gabriele Onorato; Dr. Pat Ouimet; Mr. Brandon Page; Mr. Quentin Roe; Dr. Brian Scully; Mr. Mike Sparks; Dr. Jim Syvertsen; Mr. John Updike; and Dr. Lisa Weaver. Also present were: Ms. Brandy Brown; Ms. Sharon Garrett; Mr. Pat McKenna; Mr. Andrew Meadows; Ms. Helen Miller; Mr. Ernie Neff; Ms. Audrey Nowicki; and Dr. Rosa Walsh.

Mr. Snively moved to accept the minutes of the July 20, 2017 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stewart and passed unanimously.

Chairman Howard welcomed and thanked committee members and audience for their participation in the meeting. He also indicated that the Florida Citrus Production Managers Association members were invited to participate in this listening session to seek input for the next CRDF cycle. He mentioned that additional meetings will occur to seek more input.

Dr. Browning reviewed the process and timeline for the 2018 CRDF call for research preproposals. Dr. Browning also discussed the role of the Scientific Advisory Board and steps to reactivate this group.

Dr. Lisa Weaver gave an overview of historical CRDF projects and discussed five major research categories used over the last decade to organize the research portfolio. These include: Bactericides; Vector (ACP) Intervention; Citrus host improvement; Horticultural Practices; and other citrus disease areas.

Committee members and audience gave input on priorities and questions that should be considered in calls for pre-proposals. This information will be collated and integrated with other grower input to facilitate the development of RMC and CPDC calls for pre-proposals in the next two months.

Mr. Howard advised the committee the vice-chair position needs to be filled for RMC and asked for nominations. Mr. Farr made a motion to nominate Mr. Snively for Vice-Chair. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stewart and passed unanimously. Mr. Howard invited everyone to stay for the luncheon following the RMC meeting.

With no further discussion the meeting adjourned at 12:22 pm.

Minutes submitted by B. Brown