

**CITRUS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, INC.**

**Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting**

**March 25, 2014**

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Citrus Research and Development Foundation, Inc. was held on Tuesday, March 25, 2014 at the University of Florida, IFAS, Citrus Research and Education Center Packing House Conference Room in Lake Alfred, Florida. The meeting was properly noticed and recorded. The meeting was called to order at 12:30 p.m. by Chairman Tom Jerkins. Roll was called and a quorum was present. Board members present were: Mr. Jerkins; Mr. Newlin; and Mr. Thompson. Mr. Kress and Dr. Joyce participated by telephone. Also present were: Dr. Browning; Mr. Mike Haycock; Mr. Aeden Dowling; Dr. Susan Logue; and Dr. Ian Puddephat, the latter four representing PepsiCo/Tropicana.

The Executive committee convened to hear a presentation of an external evaluation of completed and ongoing HLB research projects commissioned by PepsiCo/Tropicana. This presentation organized retrievable records on HLB research into categories, strategies, and evaluated the available information on these projects with regard to progress and time to delivery of solutions. The study was conducted to provide guidance to PepsiCo with regard to citrus production challenges caused by HLB and the company felt that the resulting information would be of use to the Industry through CRDF.

The presentation focused on publicly-funded research as well as some investigation into private investment in technologies and solutions that might have applicability to HLB. Following the presentation and questions, the PepsiCo presenters offered to provide this overview to the CRDF Board at earliest opportunity.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Jerry Newlin, Secretary