

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

**Research Management Committee Meeting**

**February 18, 2014**

A meeting of the Research Management Committee of the Citrus Research and Development Foundation, Inc. was held on Tuesday, February 18, 2014. The meeting was properly noticed and recorded. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Chairman Bobby Barben. Roll was called and a quorum was present. Committee members participating were: Mr. Bobby Barben; Mr. Bill Barber; Mr. Larry Davis; Mr. Tim Dooley; Mr. Steve Farr; Mr. David Howard; Mr. Tom Jerkins; Mr. Peter McClure; Mr. Joby Sherrod; Mr. Wayne Simmons; Mr. Jim Snively; and Mr. Mike Stewart. Also participating were: Dr. Calvin Arnold; Dr. Harold Browning; Dr. George Bruening; Dr. Jackie Burns; Mr. Greg Carlton (phone); Ms. Diane Johnson; Mr. Jerry Newlin; Ms. Audrey Nowicki; Mr. Phil Rucks; and Dr. Tom Turpen.

Mr. Davis moved to accept the minutes of the October 14, 2013 meeting. Seconded by Mr. Snively, the motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Turpen presented slides that showed overlap of the Commercial Product Delivery Committee and the Research Management Committee. He also shared information presented to the EPA. According to the EPA representative, there is no fast track for antibiotics, but that several tracks are available to pursue. Commercial Product Delivery will be working with companies that already have compounds on the market that could be readdressed for HLB.

The committee discussed the 46 proposals submitted for funding. The list was sorted from highest to lowest ranking by the SAB team. The first list discussed was the top 15. Each proposal was presented and discussed. The summary of the actions are listed below.

Proposal 873 submitted by Dr. Lee was discussed. Mr. Sherrod made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 873 with a budget of \$180,000. Seconded by Mr. Barber, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 922 submitted by Dr. Wang was discussed. Mr. Sherrod made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 922 with a budget of \$436,045. Seconded by Mr. Barber, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 920 submitted by Dr. Wang was discussed. Mr. McClure made a motion to recommend to the Board a Do Not Fund of proposal 920. The science was good on this proposal but the committee was not convinced of the need. Seconded by Mr. Snively, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 860 submitted by Dr. Sharma was discussed. Mr. Howard made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 860 with a budget of \$74,960. Seconded by Mr. Newlin, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 894 submitted by Dr. Brodersen was discussed. Mr. Newlin made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 894 with a budget of \$85,190. Seconded by Mr. McClure, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 818 submitted by Dr. Etxeberria was discussed. Mr. Jerkins made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 818 with a budget of \$39,460. Seconded by Mr. Davis, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 858 submitted by Dr. Santra was discussed. Mr. Jerkins made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 858 with a budget of \$350,000 with the caveat that an evaluation of the project at the end of year one be done and a decision based on that evaluation will determine if the project be continued for the remainder of the project. Seconded by Mr. Farr, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 921 submitted by Dr. Schneider was discussed. Mr. McClure made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 921 with a budget of \$400,000 with the contingency of staffs confirmation of due diligence on data sharing and analysis of budget. Seconded by Mr. Sherrod, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 853 submitted by Dr. LaPointe was discussed. Mr. Sherrod made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 853 with a budget of \$187,681. Seconded by Mr. Howard, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 919 submitted by Dr. Dewdney was discussed. Mr. Jerkins made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 919 with a budget of \$42,650. Seconded by Mr. Howard, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 827 submitted by Dr. Irely was discussed. Mr. McClure made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 827 with a budget of \$153,960. Seconded by Mr. Sherrod, the motion passed with Mr. Snively abstaining.

Proposal 903 submitted by Dr. Gruber was discussed. Mr. Jerkins made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 903 with a budget of \$360,000. Seconded by Mr. Howard, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 850 submitted by Dr. Albrigo was discussed. Mr. Jerkins made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 850 with a budget of \$90,000. Seconded by Mr. Barber, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 816 submitted by Dr. Brodersen was discussed. Mr. Davis made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 816 with a budget of \$20,252. Seconded by Mr. Jerkins, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 925 submitted by Dr. Dutt was discussed. Mr. Howard made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 925 with a budget of \$80,000. Seconded by Mr. Farr, the motion passed unanimously.

The second list discussed was the bottom 15 as ranked by the SAB team.

Proposal 907 submitted by Dr. Johnson was discussed. Mr. McClure made a motion to ask the PI to resubmit proposal with objective one only to show proof of efficacy. Seconded by Mr. Farr, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 916 submitted by Dr. Wang was discussed. Mr. McClure made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of project for \$431,180 with a caveat of re-examination after year one to show proof of concept. Seconded by Mr. Davis, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 926 submitted by Dr. Gowda was discussed. Mr. McClure made a motion to recommend to the Board Do Not Fund proposal 926. Seconded by Mr. Howard, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 849 submitted by Dr. Adair was discussed. Mr. Jerkins made a motion to recommend to the Board Do Not Fund proposal 849. Seconded by Mr. Snively, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 899 submitted by Dr. Etxeberria was discussed. Mr. Jerkins made a motion to ask the PI to resubmit proposal with objective one and a revised budget. Seconded by Mr. McClure, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 819 submitted by Dr. Hall was discussed. Mr. McClure made a motion to recommend to the Board Do Not Fund proposal 819. Seconded by Mr. Farr, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 847 submitted by Dr. Pelz-Stelinski was discussed. Mr. Jerkins made a motion to recommend to the Board Do Not Fund proposal 847. Seconded by Mr. Howard, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 870 submitted by Dr. Patt was discussed. Mr. Howard made a motion to recommend to the Board Do Not Fund proposal 870. Seconded by Mr. Stewart, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 875 submitted by Dr. Ramadugu was discussed. Mr. McClure made a motion to recommend to the Board Do Not Fund proposal 875. Seconded by Mr. Farr, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 886 submitted by Dr. McCollum was discussed. Mr. Snively made a motion to recommend to the Board Do Not Fund proposal 886. Seconded by Mr. Stewart, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 885 submitted by Dr. Lu was discussed. Mr. McClure made a motion to recommend to the Board Do Not Fund proposal 885. Seconded by Mr. Farr, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 838 submitted by Dr. Morgan was discussed. Mr. Davis made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 838 for \$349,491 with guidance from Mr. Newlin, Mr. Farr, Mr. Snively, Dr. Turpen and Dr. Browning. Seconded by Mr. Farr, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 932 submitted by Dr. Wang was discussed. Mr. Farr made a motion to recommend to the Board Do Not Fund proposal 932. Seconded by Mr. Howard, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 876 submitted by Dr. Duan was discussed. Mr. McClure made a motion to recommend to the Board Do Not Fund proposal 876. Seconded by Mr. Farr, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 884 submitted by Dr. Lin was discussed. Mr. McClure made a motion to recommend to the Board Do Not Fund proposal 884. Seconded by Mr. Farr, the motion passed unanimously.

The last list discussed was the middle group as ranked by the SAB team.

Proposal 803 submitted by Dr. Duan was discussed. Mr. McClure made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 803 with a budget of \$574,219. Seconded by Mr. Davis, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 880 submitted by Dr. Gurley was discussed. Mr. Snively made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 880 with a budget of \$101,758. Seconded by Mr. Farr, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 861 submitted by Dr. Shirk was discussed. This project does have significant overlap with the nuPsyllid project. Dr. Turpen would ask Dr. Pelz-Stelinski and Dr. Shirk to put together a modified budget for items that do not overlap the nuPsyllid program and bring back to this committee for approval. Mr. Simmons made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 861 with a revised budget once it is worked out. Seconded by Mr. McClure, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 910 submitted by Dr. Powell was discussed. Mr. Howard made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 910 with a budget of \$369,714. Seconded by Mr. Barber, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 898 submitted by Dr. Dandekar was discussed. Mr. Simmons made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 898 with a budget of \$270,053 provided he can demonstrate existing CAP with CTV *in vitro* with *L. crescens* and then attempt this project. Seconded by Mr. McClure, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 864 submitted by Dr. Stelinski was discussed. Mr. Howard made a motion to recommend to the Board a Do Not Fund of proposal 864. Seconded by Mr. Farr, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 805 submitted by Dr. Long was discussed. Mr. McClure made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 805 with a budget of \$540,197. Seconded by Mr. Simmons, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 862 submitted by Dr. Stansly was discussed. Mr. Howard made a motion to recommend to the Board a Do Not Fund of proposal 862. Seconded by Mr. Davis, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 564 submitted by Dr. Lindeberg was discussed. Mr. Howard made a motion to recommend to the Board approval for 1/3 of budget for proposal 564 (\$25,000 would be new amount) contingent on support letters from the scientific community that this web site is being used. Seconded by Mr. Simmons, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 923 submitted by Dr. Goss was discussed. Mr. McClure made a motion to recommend to the Board o Not Fund proposal 923. Seconded by Mr. Farr, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 904 submitted by Dr. Gruber was discussed. Mr. Newlin made a motion to recommend to the Board Do Not Fund proposal 904. Seconded by Mr. Howard, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 809 submitted by Dr. Albrigo was discussed. Mr. Simmons made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 809 with the areas of overlap with existing projects taken out. Seconded by Mr. Snively, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 834 submitted by Dr. Duan was discussed. Mr. Davis made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 834 with a budget of \$385,900. Seconded by Mr. Snively, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 901 submitted by Dr. Gonzalez was discussed. Mr. Simmons made a motion to recommend to the Board Do Not Fund proposal 901. Seconded by Mr. McClure, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 887 submitted by Dr. Moore was discussed. Mr. Newlin made a motion to recommend to the Board Do Not Fund proposal 887. Seconded by Mr. Howard, the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 909 submitted by Dr. Moudgil was discussed. Mr. McClure made a motion to recommend to the Board approval of proposal 909 with a budget of \$96,457. Seconded by Mr. Jerkins, the motion passed unanimously.

With the list of Fund/Do Not Fund completed. The Research Management Committee was asked to rank the approved projects with a ranking of 5 to 1 with 5 being the highest possible ranking. Members were requested to send the completed ranking to Audrey Nowicki and the list will be resorted to an order of recommended funding from highest to lowest.

**Other business:** There was no other business.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Diane Johnson