IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Division Unapproved Minutes October 1, 2008 Meloland Research Station

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Walter Britschgi, Hugh Kissick, William Love, Nancy Wade

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Freddi Abatti, Jose DeSoto, Johnny Esquer, Steven Finnell, Ed Fonda, Ed Hale, Al Kalin, Tommy Mills, Daniel Poloni, Antonio Rivera, Bo Shropshire, Ralph Strahm

STAFF PRESENT

Pat Pauley, Steve Burch, Ofelia Duarte

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for September 3, 2008 were approved unanimously. M/S/C H. Kissick/W. Britschgi

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Filling out the application for Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) funds

P. Pauley picked up application packet. S. Burch stated the process takes about a year. P. Pauley stated grant is competitive. Only funding five out of 70 applications received. Funds are not exclusive for putting tile, they can also be used to reduce chances of soil erosion or improve soil quality. Discussion followed. W. Britschgi recommends doing the following the first year: ditch repair, tiling, gates, and replace bad gaskets. S. Burch recommends ditch repair as top priority since tile problem will be taken care of this year.

B. Tile installation

P. Pauley spoke with Joe Desanti from Hancor ADS regarding donation for 4" and 6" perforated pipe. P. Pauley has been talking to Jeff Pierce while J. Desanti is on vacation. J. Pierce says the chances of a donation are very slim due to sales being down. He did offer to sell the pipe at cost. Discussion followed. Carter, from LIDCO submitted proposal for installation of tile. P. Pauley discussed proposal. Original bid was \$13,000 and it was brought down to \$5,000 (\$1500 installation machine, \$1500 for sand, and \$2,000 for pipe). H. Kissick verified in house labor category from Carter's proposal. S. Burch recommended accepting Carter's proposal. Motion was made by W. Britschgi to accept proposal. M/S/C W. Britschgi/W. Love

P. Pauley wants to do a reverse grade at the Far East end in order to remove soil and bring last acre down to grade and utilize. Discussion followed. P. Pauley will contact Jimmy Sanders and John Lau regarding Granite Construction moving dirt.

REPORTS

A. Pumpkin Patch

P. Pauley reported pumpkin patch is moving along. Four (4) acres of corn were planted. Thirteen (13) students attended the last Ag. meeting. P. Pauley will send an invitation to all area grade schools inviting them for a corn-maze and hayride day on Friday, Oct. 24, 2008.

B. Cattle Call

P. Pauley stated students expressed interest on entering Chili Cook-off contest.

C. FFA Section Greenhand Conference

P. Pauley stated that IVC is hosting Greenhand conference.

D. AG Careers

P. Pauley asked for volunteer speakers for Ag Career Day on October 17, 2008. N. Wade has a program that day but will check to see if someone else from her department can go. She will get back to P. Pauley to let him know. P. Pauley will contact B. Shropshire and D. Bradshaw.

OTHER

Counselor Roundtable – P. Pauley discussed counselors in-service at IVC. P. Pauley and K. Gomez, IVC counselor, have talked about IVC AG hosting Counselors Roundtable Event. High School and Jr. High School Counselors attend this ½ day event. Approximately 30-35 will be attending and IVC Ag will provide lunch (11:30-12:15). Date is January 16, 2009 from 11:30-2:30. Purpose is to inform them on what's available at IVC under the AG program. P. Pauley would like to have speakers give a presentation on the current and projected career opportunities in Imperial County pertaining to Agriculture. N. Wade volunteered to be a speaker.

Greenhouse – P. Pauley will contact Allen Huber. A. Huber is interested on an internship program.

P. Pauley informed the board that W. Love agreed to secure Collegiate FFA Chapter. **Mission:** The National FFA Organization is dedicated to making a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for **premier leadership**, **personal growth and career success** through agricultural education

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m. M/S/C N. Wade/D. Poloni Motion carried.

Next Meeting will be Wednesday, 11/5/08, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at Meloland Station.

Cc: Lianna Zhao