

**IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE**  
**Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Division**  
**Approved Minutes**  
**February 02, 2011**  
**Meloland Research Station**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Candace Nelson, Bo Shropshire,

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Walter Britschgi, Nancy Caywood, Steven Finnell, Ed Fonda, Ed Hale, Al Kalin, Hugh Kissick, Tommy Mills, Daniel Poloni, Antonio Rivera, Ralph Strahm

**STAFF PRESENT**

David Bradshaw, Steve Burch, Ofelia Duarte

**GUESTS**

Dimitri Boratynski, Theodore N. Boratynski

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes for December 01, 2011 were approved unanimously. **M/S/C C. Nelson/D. Bradshaw**

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**A. Update on Wheat Crop**

S. Burch reported that the field has been planted. He's hoping they'll have the borders pulled up and the field ready for water on Monday. Members also discussed having the field ready for 4<sup>th</sup> of July. B. Shropshire asked S. Burch to inform Pat that he'll set up some Soilfix IR to improve water penetration and reduce crusting problems. S. Burch asked members to put some thought into what they want to do with the east half of the field once wheat comes off. S. Burch mentioned that the work that was done out in the field was done by students, supervised by Pat.

**B. Update on Purchasing Emergency Items**

S. Burch reported that during the process of planting the field Pat had to make emergency purchases at Jordan and Torrence's. Members discussed the importance of having an emergency purchase procedure in place. Delays in completing the work can cause serious problems.

**C. Purchase Approval Letter**

Members present reviewed draft letter presented by C. Nelson. Motion was made to accept letter, to address letter to both Dr. Gould and J. Lau, to mail letter with original signatures and to include P. Pauley, D. Gilison, L. Zhao and O. Duarte on cc list. Motion was approved unanimously. **M/S/C S. Burch/D. Bradshaw**

**D. Fair Participation by the AG Club**

C. Nelson stated that last year the Farm Bureau's booth was broken into two halve booths. One was used by the Farm Bureau and the other was used by the Ag Club. Farm Bureau is thinking of doing the same this year and C. Nelson wanted to know if the students were interested in using the other halve. S. Burch spoke with Pat and they are definitely interested in using booth. This year's Fair Theme is "It's a Green Thing". P. Pauley said that out in the Automotive Technology area is a bio diesel still and he will check to see if it's available since it falls under the "Green Thing" theme.

**E. Irrigator Training/Certification**

C. Nelson mentioned that some of her board members (farm bureau) expressed a desire to have some sort of irrigator training/certification program available locally and asked the members if this was something they would be interested in.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- S. Burch wanted to know the status for leasing land under J. Heger. B. Shropshire has met with him but is not getting anywhere. Will continue to work with him.
- Last meeting members discussed ways to promote Ag program. S. Burch mentioned that sometime back the members talked about putting up a big sign on the east end of the field. B. Shropshire will check with Ted Flores who makes the banners for the fair.

### **REPORTS**

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

- B. Shropshire stated that this year there will be no food in the barns. The fair will be concentrating on sanitation and proper hand washing because of E Coli. There have been a couple of major lawsuits within the fair industry.
- Carrot Festival is next week.
- Rib Cook Off was great.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

**Next Meeting will be Wednesday, April 06, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at Meloland Research Station.**

Cc: Lianna Zhao  
Ed Gould  
Kathy Berry  
Efrain Silva  
John Lau  
Daniel Gilison

*April 06, 2011*  
*Recorder: Ofelia Duarte*