IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Division

Informational Notes

October 7, 2009
Meloland Research Station

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Walter Britschgi, Nancy Caywood Wade

STAFF PRESENT

Pat Pauley, Steve Burch, Ofelia Duarte

GUESTS

Candace Nelson, Irma Ramirez (student), Chase Schaffner (student)

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- P. Pauley stated that December 2010 was the target date for Solar Field to come in. He discussed three possible options for land use before that date. 1) Plant wheat. 2) 3-way. 3) Plant Ethiopian grass. P. Pauley will send letter to administration informing them of these options and to find out if plan is approved or denied.
- I. Ramirez and C. Schaffner attended the Associate Student Government meeting. Apparently, P. Pauley violated student government rules last year and so they were not going to approve the pumpkin patch event this year. Students were there to appeal their request to approve the pumpkin patch event. They reported that everything was resolved and the event was approved. They also reported that the Solar Field will be in Ocotillo and IVC will be the training station. Quick summary per P. Pauley based on the information brought back from students is that the Solar company wants to build the commercial operation in Ocotillo first and then build the educational laboratory on campus second. Also discussed was the parking lot and relocating Ag program to Brawley (Research Center). W. Britschgi stated that when San Diego State opened its external campus in Brawley the consensus was that it was not feasible to drive that far for one class and he feels the same will happen if the Ag program is moved to Brawley. Discussion followed.

N. Wade reminded everyone that her Appreciation dinner event is October 23, 2009. Pumpkin Patch is scheduled for October 24, 2009.

Next Meeting will be Wednesday, November 4, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at Meloland Research Station

Cc: Lianna Zhao

Recorder: Ofelia Duarte