

IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE
Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Division
Unapproved Minutes
November 5, 2008
Meloland Research Station

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:48 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Ed Hale, William Love, Nancy Wade

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

STAFF PRESENT

Pat Pauley, Steve Burch, Ofelia Duarte

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for October 1, 2008 were approved unanimously. **M/S/C S. Burch/W. Love**

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Moving Soil

P. Pauley spoke with Jimmy Sanders regarding allocation of soil.

B. Amendments-Fertilizer

P. Pauley spoke with Paul Cameron regarding contribution of manure. P. Pauley met Patrick Jenkins and he said he would donate some manure. P. Cameron will coordinate with P. Jenkins regarding donation. Brandt has committed to giving the other half of what was pledged last year. P. Pauley stated that the target would be 40 tons to the acre.

C. IVC Field Day – 3/13/09-Reactivation of previous Annual Cooperative Contest for FFA

W. Love met with Brawley H.S. Ag teachers and 3/13/09 was the agreed upon date to hold the IVC Field Day. They're looking into having 5 contests (2 actual contests and 3 demonstration/teaching events). The following contests were suggested by W. Love and the Ag teachers:

B.I.G. (Best Informed Greenhand) Written Test

Farm Power Machinery - Demonstration

Tool Identification Test

Vegetable Crop Judging Contest

Vegetable Crop ID Contest

Entomology -Demonstration

Recordkeeping Contest –Actual

W. Love discussed the State rules for the contests. Discussion followed. W. Love mentioned that the H.S. would like to hold this event in the Fall rather than Spring. W. Love would like to see schools outside the valley participate. E. Hale asked if college carried liability insurance coverage. P. Pauley will check on that. One concern P. Pauley has is that he does not want the schools to show up and expect that everything will be handled by us. W. Love assured him that he spoke with the Ag teachers and told them that they are expected to help monitor and run the contests. Teachers will not be allowed in scoring areas.

REPORTS

A. Pumpkin Patch

Less people than expected showed up. Event was still a success. Discussion followed. For next year N. Wade suggested having an entry gate and have a student use a hand clicker to count number of people coming in. E. Hale also suggested giving out raffle tickets as a way to count number of people. N. Wade agreed it was a good idea and recommended having a few raffles during the day. She would be willing to donate prizes. Discussion followed.

B. Tile

P. Pauley reported that the tile is in. 3 lines were put in, each approximately 1300 feet long.

OTHER

A. Change Meeting Location (Britschgi Farms) 12/3/08

P. Pauley announced that the Dec. 3rd meeting will be hosted by Mr. & Mrs. Britschgi at their home. Meeting will also serve as a kick-off for the IVC Ag. Alumni Association. Discussion followed. January meeting will be back at Meloland.

Ed Hale invited the group to a luncheon on Friday, 11/7/08 from 2-4 pm. at the shop (Austin & McCabe).

P. Pauley received a call from IVC regarding a file that contains some grant proposals written by Don Lotter. Some grant proposals, although not funded, contain information that may be of use. One was a 2+2 program (2 yrs IVC/2yrs SDSU). Discussion followed.

P. Pauley announced that we have a bus. He spoke with Ted Ceasar and bus is in great shape. It's a diesel front engine. P. Pauley would like to have at least 20 seats in front for students and use the back part as a mobile computer lab.

S. Burch attended the Annual Irrigation Association International Conference and Exhibition in Anaheim. Convention center had 6-7 acres of irrigation exhibits (from turf & landscape, drip system, pumps, etc.) S. Burch spoke to some of the exhibitors and although he did not get commitments some were interested in helping out with demonstrations. E. Hale emphasized that drip systems are the way to go. He feels that it's the only thing that will save enough water to allow the transfer of any more water to the coast. Discussion followed.

N. Wade wanted to verify that she was still speaking at the January 16, 2008 counselors in service day. P. Pauley informed her that besides the counselors they were also going to invite school administrators. Event is 11:30 -2:30 (lunch 11:30-12:15).

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. **M/S/C N. Wade/W. Love** Motion carried.

Next Meeting will be Wednesday, December 3, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at Britschgi Farms

Cc: Lianna Zhao