

**Minutes
Peach Commodity Committee
February 18, 2010
Parlier, California**

Chairman Rick Jackson called the meeting of the Peach Commodity Committee to order on February 18, 2010, at 2:40 p.m. in the Nectarine Room of the Kearney Agriculture Center in Parlier, CA.

Peach Commodity Committee Members Present

John Blalock	Wayne Brandt	John Kovacevich, Jr.	Vernon Peterson
Jack Brandt	Rick Jackson	Harold McClarty	Michael Reimer

Peach Commodity Committee Alternates Present

Mark Bybee (A) *	Marco Luna (A)	Jeannine Martin (A)	Tony Martinez (A)
			Tim Thiesen (A)

(*Seated on the Board for the meeting)

Peach Commodity Committee Members and Alternates Absent

Casey Jones (A)	Duane Lamm (A)	Andy Muxlow (A)	John Tos
Mike Jost	Jose Marin (A)	Marco Rinaldi (A)	
Don D. Klassen	Ryan Metzler (A)	Russ Tavlan	

Government Representatives:

Jerry Simmons, USDA

Others Present: See register at the CTFA office.

Minutes

It was moved by Mr. Vernon Peterson, seconded by Mr. Michael Reimer, to approve the Peach Commodity Committee meeting minutes of February 11, 2010. The motion passed unanimously.

2010 International Market Development Program Recommendation

It was moved by Mr. Wayne Brandt, seconded by Mr. Vernon Peterson, to recommend approval of the 2010 International Market Development Subcommittee budget, with a MAP contribution of \$2,484,271 and a contribution from CTFA of \$882,000, to provide authority to the International Market Development Subcommittee to spend target funds with USDA/CDFR approval, to add new markets in the Middle East and Brazil, to discontinue programs in Venezuela and to recommend approval to conduct a search for a UES consultant and to approve other international resources. The motion passed unanimously.

2010 Research Subcommittee Project Recommendations (Attached)

It was moved by Mr. Mark Bybee, seconded by Mr. Wayne Brandt, to recommend the approval and funding of the 2010 research budget in the combined amount of \$496,166 and to provide authority to the Research Subcommittee to expend contingency funds for emergency projects approved by USDA. The motion passed unanimously.

2010 Crop Assumption/Budgets/Assessments

The Chairman noted this had been acted on at the December 10, 2009 meeting, and an assessment rate of \$0.026 was recommended at that time.

Authorities

It was moved by Mr. Michael Reimer, seconded by Mr. Vernon Peterson, to provide the Chairperson the authority to appoint subcommittees and pay for group lunches, to provide the President/Designee with authority to make inter-item transfers, the authority to sign contracts, the authority to hire outside counsel on personnel issues up to \$10,000 with USDA approval and the authority to accept grant funds. The motion passed unanimously.

Update Bylaws (Attached)

It was moved by Mr. Mark Bybee, seconded by Mr. Jack Brandt, to update the bylaws to provide authority to the Executive Committee Chairperson and Vice Chairperson to sign checks for any amount and to revise several staff titles as presented on the attachment. The motion passed unanimously.

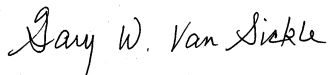
Issues to Discuss at Future Meetings

The Chairman asked if there were any issues to discuss at future meetings or a need for a closed session.

Mr. Vernon Peterson stated, as brought up at the Nectarine Administrative Committee meeting, he would like to see the budget established by starting with a specific assessment rate and then building the budget based on maintaining that rate for the season.

The Chairman asked if there were any other comments. Hearing none, he adjourned the meeting at 2:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Gary W. Van Sickle
President

GWV/ss

Attachments

2010 California Tree Fruit Agreement Research Proposals for Funding

Researcher	Project Title	Dollar Amount to Be Funded		Subcommittee Member Liaison
Adaskaveg	Epidemiology and Management of Pre- and Postharvest Diseases of Peach, Plum, & Nectarine	\$44,000	(cont.)	Mike Reimer Alan Butterfield
Cisneros (Byrne)	Promoting stone fruits for Protection against the Metabolic Syndrome	\$49,706	(cont.)	Eric Gaarde Joe Bezerra Mike Reimer
Byrne	RosBreed Supplement: Development of Cultivars with Higher Soluble Solids	\$9,528	(new)	Mike Reimer Christeen Abbott
Crisosto	Updating Peach, Nectarine and Plum Inking and/or Skin Discoloration Development Information	\$88,820	(cont.)	Rod Riffel, Rod Milton, Bill Tos, Wayne Stogbauer, Steve Frauenheim
Crisosto	Development of Predictive Tools for Brown and Sour Rot Resistance in Peaches and Nectarines	\$27,703	(cont.)	Rod Riffel Bill Tos
Crisosto	Testing a Fall Ethrel Application for Flower Removal: A New Thinning Approach	\$7,646	(cont.)	Rod Riffel Bill Tos
Crisosto	Establishing a Tree Fruit trained panel evaluation sensory tool to evaluate pre and postharvest technology on consumer acceptance.	\$27,013	(cont.)	Ty Parkinson Ryan Metzler Eric Gaarde Mike Reimer
Day	Development and Testing of Pedestrian Orchard Concepts	\$16,975	(cont.)	Bill Tos Rod Milton Bill Chandler
DeJong	Using a 3-D Computer Simulation Model of Peach Tree Architectural Growth and Dry Matter Partitioning to Evaluate the Production Potential of Peach Trees on Size-controlling Rootstocks	\$16,873	(cont.)	Mike Reimer Ryan Metzler
DeJong	Improved Rootstock of Peach and Nectarine	\$37,692	(cont.)	Bill Chandler Mike Reimer
Johnson, M.	Better Understanding and Management of Tentined June Beetle	\$0	(cont.)	Wayne Stogbauer Rod Milton Alan Butterfield
Johnson, S	Mechanical Blossom Thinning Using a Darwin String Thinner	\$28,355	(cont.)	Christeen Abbott Joe Bezerra Rod Riffel
Johnson, S	Improving the Efficiency of Foliar Zinc Sprays in Peach Orchards	\$12,103	(new)	Mike Reimer Rod Riffel Rod Milton
McKerrey	Field Confirmation of the Value of a New Approach to Replanting Stone Fruits	\$25,000	(cont.)	Bill Chandler Mike Reimer Alan Butterfield
Michailides	Sources of Inoculum, Biology, Epidemiology and Management of Sour Rot in Stone Fruit Orchards	\$14,750	(cont.)	Christeen Abbott Wayne Stogbauer
Suslow	Microbial Food Safety and Postharvest Fruit Disinfection	\$58,000	(cont.)	Ty Parkinson Blake Carlson Mike Reimer
Walse	The Treatment of Stone Fruit to Australia with Methyl Bromide or Phosphine to Eliminate the Possible Introduction of Peach Twig Borer	\$2,000	(cont.)	Mike Reimer Gordon Smith
Primus	Primus Residue Study	\$20,000	(cont.)	Mike Reimer
	Emergency Research Project (s). original budget was \$10,000	\$10,000		
Total		\$496,166		

Update Bylaws

- **Check signing authorities**
- Section 3. Authorization from the Chairperson or Vice Chairperson of the Executive Committee, President, Vice President/Assistant Manager/designee, Director of Marketing or Director of Regulatory Compliance shall be required on all checks or electronic payments issued by the California Tree Fruit Agreement for \$10,000 or less. Authorization from the Chairperson or Vice Chairperson of the Executive Committee, President, Vice President/Assistant Manager/designee or Director of Regulatory Compliance shall be required on all checks or electronic payments issued by the California Tree Fruit Agreement for \$50,000 or less. The authorization of the Chairperson or Vice Chairperson of the Executive Committee or President shall be required on all checks or electronic payments issued by the California Tree Fruit Agreement for up to \$100,000. The authorization of the Chairperson or Vice Chairperson of the Executive Committee shall be required on all checks or electronic payments issued by the California Tree Fruit Agreement in excess of \$100,000.



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