

January 27, 2010

Fertilizer/Ag Lime Advisory Council Meeting

Attendees:

Council Members: Jeremy Bailey, Kevin Holcer, David Maasdam, Jay Schutte, Michael Prince, Kendall Mauser, Keith Stevens, Jim Pickett, Paul Tracy, Shep Sheppard, John Crawford, Rusty Lee

Researchers: David Dunn, Kelly Nelson, Kent Shannon, Gene Stevens, Peter Scharf, Xi Xiong, John Lory, Verel Benson, Keith Goyne, James Houx III, Manjula Nathan, Peter Motavalli, Rob Kallenbach, and Gene Schmitz

Administrators: Dr. Tom Payne, Dr. Marc Linit, Dr. Tom Mawhinney and Joe Slater

The meeting started at 8:15 with presentations by Peter Scharf, Gene Stevens, Kelly Nelson, John Lory, Xi Xiong, Rob Kallenbach, Felix Fritschi, Keith Goyne, Kent Shannon, David Dunn, Manjula Nathan, and Peter Motavalli.

Presentations ended at approximately 2:00 pm and was followed by discussion of the continuing proposals. Dr. Linit reviewed the fiscal statement for FY09. Dr. Mawhinney reviewed the efforts by the ESCL and Joe Slater mentioned the single comment received on the published rules but did not go into detail on the comment and covered the review of the fertilizer/ag lime inspection program with a review of samples secured.

Members voted to continue funding the continuing proposals at the requested level. New proposals were scored and the highest scored proposals were chosen for funding. As the funds approached the limit several proposals had the same score. It was suggested that the high and low score be thrown out, which did reduce the number of proposals tied for the final slot and reduced the cost below the minimum assigned for new funding. The meeting was adjourned at 3:55.