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STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Minutes - Board of Directors and Legislative Committee meeting Monday, February 13, 1956, at Spokane, Washington.


There was discussion of Mr. Brown's suggestion that a committee, or some representatives from the Association, meet with various districts to encourage participation in the Association and attendance at Association meetings. It was decided that the President and Secretary and perhaps others should try to meet with district Boards of Directors and Secretaries for this purpose.

There was discussion regarding Senate Bill No. 294, on rights of way taken from irrigation district boundaries by the State Highway Dept. and on Senate Bill 336 which was an amendment to the County Franchise Law. Both these bills were introduced at the request of the Association during the last session of the state legislature but were retained in committee. It was decided these should be reviewed and studied with a view of trying revised versions next session, and the Secretary was instructed to send copies to each Director and Legislative Committee member for their study and recommendations.

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously carried that the Legislative Committee be expanded to five members, and the following were appointed to serve on this Committee; C. M. Zediker, Chairman, William McAnlis, Kermit M. Rudolf, A. D. MacKevie, R. W. Hendrick, with Paul Lemargie as advisor.

There was then discussion of a possible amendment to the ground water code which would make it optional with the Superintendent of Hydraulics to establish a ground water area whenever it would seem to be proper, or make it mandatory that such area be established upon request, and thus enable the districts to claim their own water and collect revenue from its use made possible by artificial improvements which prevent its natural dissipation. No decision was made in this matter pending negotiations with the Division of Hydraulics regarding notations to be made on future ground water permits preserving artificially stored ground waters to the irrigation districts.

The subject of the proposed state water resource policy was then brought up and the Directors and Legislative Committee were warned of the possibility that the committee appointed by the Governor for the drafting of this policy might be working on the necessary legislation to effect the terms of the policy proposed by them. As far as was known, nothing had been done by the Committee since the meeting in Olympia on June 24, 1955 at which time it was agreed that an Advisory Committee should be formed. It was suggested that the irrigation districts should be alerted and a careful check kept so any proposed legislation should not be to the disadvantage of the districts. The suggestion was also made that this might be a matter for consideration by the Advisory Committee of the Yakima Project and that perhaps Mr. Lindgren could call a meeting of the members of that committee to discuss the subject. The Secretary was instructed to contact Mr. Lindgren regarding such a meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Ted Newstrum, Secretary
STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Minutes - Board of Directors and Legislative Committee meeting Friday, March 23, 1956, at Yakima, Washington.


This meeting was called at the request of the Association by Mr. Lindgren, who presided during the morning session. Those present from the various divisions of the Yakima Project were representatives of the Yakima Project Advisory Committee.

The purpose of the meeting with the Yakima Project Advisory Committee and Mr. Lindgren was to discuss the proposed state water resources policy which had been drafted by the committee appointed by the Governor, which committee is composed of the heads of the five state code departments with the Secretary of the state pollution commission acting as Committee secretary. The Association was concerned with the affect the adoption of such a water policy might have on the irrigation districts of the state as it was not believed enough emphasis or consideration was given to the importance of irrigation as a paramount water user. It was brought out during the meeting that the effectiveness of such a water policy depended upon authorization and approval by the state legislature and it was agreed that the Association and the irrigation districts of the state should follow closely any legislation introduced as enabling legislation for the proposed policy and be prepared to analyze and approve or reject any such legislation from the standpoint of the use of water for irrigation.

Mr. Zediker reported on the meeting held by this committee in Olympia on June 24, 1955 at which meeting a statement prepared by the Legislative Committee of the Association was read. It was emphasized by Mr. Zediker that the committee and the policies proposed could be dominated by the departments of fisheries and game and that the interests of those departments and of the irrigation districts were often opposed.

After considerable discussion the following resolution was moved, seconded and unanimously approved: That the President of the Association appoint a committee of seven members, with Mr. Zediker as chairman, to follow any action by the committee on state water resource policy and take such action in connection therewith as thought best. The rest of the committee to be composed of three members from the Yakima Valley and one each from Spokane area, the Columbia Basin and the Okanogan area.

During the afternoon session of the meeting President Brown made the following appointments to this committee, the others to be appointed at a later date: H. E. Alexander, G. L. Sterling, Van E. Nutley and Bert Fenton.
Mr. Fred Palmer, attorney for the Ahtanum Irrigation District, was then asked to present to the Association a statement of the difficulties between that district and the Yakima Indians over the waters of Ahtanum Creek, over which there has been litigation for the past 3½ years. Mr. West of the Ahtanum board of directors also spoke on this matter.

Briefly, this situation is that as Ahtanum Creek borders the Indian Reservation the Indians claim rights to all of the water they necessarily beneficially need for the irrigation of reservation lands. This creates a controversy which involves the interpretation of the 1855 treaty between the Government and the Yakima Indians and an agreement of 1908 between the Secretary of the Interior and the Ahtanum Water Users, which latter allocated 25% of the flow of the creek to the Indians and 75% to the Ahtanum water users. The Ahtanum Irrigation District has made a request for financial assistance from various districts and from the Association to hold them cover the costs of litigation, on the assumption that if the district loses in this action (which might be taken to the Supreme Court) it might open up the question of water rights in the Yakima River and in any other streams which border or flow thru Indian reservations. The situation at the present time is that the case has been appealed by the Government (the Department of Indian Affairs acting for the Indians) to the Court of Appeals of the 9th Circuit at San Francisco.

There was considerable discussion of this matter by the Directors. It was the contention by the representatives present from the Sunnyside Valley I.D. that the water rights in the Yakima River had been finally and permanently settled by a judgment in 1945 in the District Court, Eastern Division of Washington, Judge Schwellenbach.

The Directors were undecided whether a contribution in this case was justified unless all member districts in the Association were affected or might become affected.

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved that the matter be given further consideration by the Board of Directors at the next meeting.

The President and Secretary then reported to the Board on various meetings of some Boards of Directors of Irrigation Districts which they had attended, particularly on a meeting at Twisp, Washington, at which there were representatives from 15 private ditch companies. These people were anxious to join the Association but the Constitution of the Association limits membership to "landowners, water users or officials in any organized irrigation district in the state". They were told the matter would be taken up with the Board and if approved by them an amendment to the Constitution would be proposed at the next annual meeting.

After considerable discussion regarding the advisability of expanding the membership in the Association to include private ditch and canal companies, the following motion was made, seconded and approved: That the Board study the advisability of taking ditch companies into the Association and if found advisable present a resolution at the annual meeting amending the constitution.

After some general discussion, the meeting adjourned.

Ted Newstrom, Secretary
STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Minutes - Annual Meeting, Thursday and Friday, October 25 and 26, 1956, at the Ridpath Hotel, Spokane, Washington.

The program as set up was carried out without change or substitution, copy of which is attached.

The talk "The Family Size Farm" by Evan W. Hall of Warden has been copied and a copy attached and made a part of these minutes.

Just before the conclusion of the meeting two resolutions were presented and approved by the membership, as follows:

A resolution regarding the Columbia Interstate Compact was read and upon motion was unanimously approved by the membership, copy of such resolution being attached hereto.

A resolution regarding the proposes Water Resources Policy for the State of Washington and covering the attitude of the Association toward such a policy was unanimously approved by the membership, copy of such resolution being attached hereto.

The report of the Nominating Committee was unanimously approved and the following were declared elected as Directors and Officials of the Association for the terms indicated:

President - David P. Brown - one year.
Vice Presidents - Keith J. McDaniels - one year.
William A. McAnlis - one year.
Director - Division 5 - Chris Larsen - three years.
Directors at Large - C. M. Zediker - three years.
H. E. Alexander - three years.

The meeting was then adjourned for a luncheon meeting of the Board of Directors.
"THE FAMILY FARM" by Evan V. Hall, Harden, Washington
(Talk given at Eleventh Annual Meeting, State Association of Washington Irrigation
Districts, Spokane, Washington, October 25-26, 1956.)

To any of you who want a real education in farming, I recommend three years
on an F.H.A. county committee. One rancher in Montana once told me, "You never
know a man until you have financial dealings with him." I would add: You don't
know farming until you work on the financing of agriculture. I speak to you today
with some confidence because of my three years connection with farm financing and
financial dealings with farm people.

The District director is in a key job, with great responsibility. A true
understanding of farm problems is necessary. An irrigation district cannot be
operated by experts, politicians, theorists, or the sentimental and romantic
dreamers. We have to have direction by the practical man who can see the facts
based on his experience in operating his own business.

The plain man needs the expert to present the facts and the detail plans, but
the plain man must apply these facts based on his own thinking and knowledge of
human nature. The expert sees only his own part of the general scheme of a pro-
ject. "The importance of the plain man's judgment is, in short, the foundation on
which the expert must build, if he is to be successful." I cite this thought be-
cause our irrigation projects are having difficulties because of too much expert
and theoretical management. These experts and theorists must be tempered by the
plain man - the irrigation district director who has to know what is right by his
every-day operations. The directors have to meet the expert, the theorist, the
politician with their own practical thinking and recognize their own ability to
manage the districts.

What is the "Family Farm" in the eyes of the plain man? Let us look at it
with the eyes of the district director and of the man on the family farm:

We cannot define it in acres. The size is established by the number of
workers in the family, their managerial ability, and their financing. A family
farm can be 50 acres or less, farmed intensively with a high value crop, or it can
be an extensive wheat or cattle ranch of several thousand acres. We can have a
family producing vegetables, mint or hops on a few acres, or we can have a general
cropping program under irrigation of 400 acres or more, and still a family farm.
The small farm is no longer a family farm under modern conditions, but a part-time
farm where the owner must look for outside employment; so let us consider the
small acreage farm as one that is not commercial and not important to the districts
from a revenue standpoint.

We can use a few statistics, but I am never too sure that statistics tell the
true story even when developed by an expert economist. Did you read in the October
Reader's Digest what Mark Twain said about statistics? "It is said the Mississippi
River shortened 242 miles in 176 years, or 1-1/3 miles each year. In 742 years the
river will be only 1-3/4 miles long and the streets of New Orleans and Cairo will
be joined". The population of the United States, based on the increase from
1800 to 1860, was predicted to be 503 million in 1940. It was actually 131 million.

One figure might stand up, as I have been it quoted several times: The
number of farms in the United States is 4,300,000, and 2,100,000 of these farms
raise 86% of the marketed food and fibre. Despite the price decline, government
programs, and restrictions in acreage, these farms are sound institutions. They
have been handicapped by government controls and restrictions. Some young men are
quitting because they cannot manage their farms efficiently because of controls.
The balance of the farms — 2,700,000 — are the problem operations. One million do not bring in a living for the family and must be supported by outside work. That leaves over a million or more commercial units yielding too low an income and producing a negligible percentage of the nation’s food and fibre supply.

Why should the taxpayer provide a subsidy for these poorly managed and undersize operations, simply to provide a way of life for a farm family? No system of government aid will change the picture as it exists today and as it did in 1933 or before. The farm program beginning in 1933 has not improved the managerial ability of these families.

The irrigation district must be concerned about the welfare of the commercial family farms that are bringing in the returns to pay for water and construction charges. The districts cannot support part-time farms.

The East Columbia Basin Irrigation District has made a study of the family farm situation and advocates the application of the Reclamation Act of 1902 to the operation of its farming units. The increased limit permitted by the original Reclamation Act would allow 160 acres for both the husband and wife. This act of 1902 is more modern than the Columbia Basin Act as it will permit good managers to use their ability and capital to the limit. The East District’s statement reads: "Keep in mind that a limit isn't the same thing as an average. Limits are maximums, in this case the acreage beyond which no one could go and still receive water. Averages, on the other hand, usually fall about half-way between the highest and lowest figures." The East District wants its farmers to have the opportunity to farm with modern equipment and high managing ability.

The districts must study the situation on the farms in the area served by their project. It will not mean progress if rules and programs are in effect that attempt to pour all family farm operations into the same mold. You cannot make your farmers successful by forcing a certain type of operation by limiting crop production or the size of the farm. We cannot penalize the good manager and his family. They are needed to make our projects successful. We cannot operate on government subsidies to farmers. The returns must come from individual effort and management.

We have enough successful family farms over the entire country to demonstrate that farming will pay without government subsidies. The FARM MANAGEMENT magazine gives us the situation in clear-cut terms: "The most efficient farming pattern in the majority of cases is the family unit." Which demands a definition of the family farm: "Officially, the Congressional subcommittee appointed to study the problem defines a family farm as 'a farming operation in which managerial decisions are made by the farmer and most of the physical work in the production of the farm enterprises - exceptions should be made in harvest operations - is done by the members of the farm family living on the farm. It should be large enough to provide a reasonably full-time job for the operator and sufficient income for the farm family.'" "Today's successful family farm is bigger because it had to become bigger to retain its efficiency and survive in the agricultural revolution we are now experiencing."

Our farm costs must be reduced to meet work competition. We have largely lost our cotton market because we keep our price above the world price. Wheat has suffered and piled up in storage because we hold the price too high. Our family farm can compete with any country because of our modern methods if we do not hamper the operations of our best farm managers.
Red beans produced on our irrigation projects by family farms are traded for sugar to Cuba, so we cannot expect to cut Cuba out of the sugar market.

Some of our farmers who have in past years produced poultry and eggs can go into the large-scale production of eggs and broilers in specialized plants, or work for firms who not handle the bulk of the poultry and eggs. One man can handle thousands of broilers with new methods, and produce better quality. Some of our poultry is even produced in the big cities right near the thousands of consumers. That is better than having the farmer's wife take care of a comparatively few hens and do the extra work needed. Our new system of farming takes much of the work load from the farmer's wife and places it on a machine. The wife can have more time for her family and some of the recreation that is essential to happy living.

In the beginning of the Columbia Basin irrigation project the Farmers Home Administration planned its financing for dairying based on about 15 cows. It has experienced the need for at least 25 cows to carry the overhead of new equipment, such as bulk tank, and the sanitation needed, with the best in milking machines. A farm family cannot compete in dairying without the most modern system. Who wants to stick his head in a cow's flank and have her tail hitting his head fighting the flies in order to stay in the milk business? Our family farm can handle 25 cows or more with modern equipment. The size of the herd will depend on the size of the family and its managerial ability. There must be a sufficient amount of land to produce the feed, or else the dairy located in or near a city and the feed bought. Many of the big dairies in the greatest dairy producing county in the world are right in the City of Los Angeles. The consumer gets better milk than ever before and the farmer does not have to go through the back-breaking work of producing it with the old system.

There is no economic or social justification for seeking to keep the old time farm from going the way of the general store, the tin-peddler, the stage coach, the street car, the Model T Ford, the kerosene lamp or the Delco light system. It is a new world and the farmer who cannot manage under the new way of farming is not entitled to government subsidy or any guarantee of profit. The taxpayer should not be expected to underwrite poor farm management. Rules and regulations and the theories advanced for solving the farm problem should not interfere with the family who can operate the family farm efficiently and successfully.

What does this mean in the farming community, including our towns? The town will need to make a good climate for industrial and processing plants so the population may be maintained on payrolls and young men can find profitable employment in industry. Towns must see that water, power and good locations are available for companies who want to manufacture and process farm products or other articles needed by farmers and town people.

Do not worry about the empty houses on farms. That means that the family farm is getting to be the right size to operate efficiently, and that progress has come to the community.
STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Minutes - Board of Directors and Legislative Committee meeting, Friday, December 14, 1956, at Moses Lake, Washington.


The meeting was held in the P.U.D. auditorium for the purpose of discussing and approving legislation to be sponsored by the Association during the 1957 session of the State Legislature.

First discussed was a proposal to amend Sec. 87.36.050 RCW to permit special assessments for the purpose of covering O&M expenditures for L.I.D.s within irrigation districts. Upon motion the draft of this amendment was approved and the Association agreed to sponsor such a bill.

Mr. Lemargie then discussed in detail draft of a bill to authorize drainage improvement districts, joint drainage improvement districts, and consolidated drainage improvement districts to merge with irrigation districts. This would permit a number of now-existing drainage improvement districts to combine and merge with an irrigation district upon petition to do so to the Board of County Commissioners and after certain proceedings are carried out. Upon motion this draft was unanimously approved (subject to further revision by Mr. Lemargie) and the Association agreed to sponsor such a bill.

There was then discussion regarding a proposal to introduce an amendment to Sec. 51.16.140 RCW to provide an alternative for employers to deduct the medical aid premium from employees' wages or to pay the entire amount. There was doubt that such an amendment would be approved by the legislature but after considerable discussion and a recommendation by Senator Washington that no harm would be done by trying, it was moved and unanimously approved that draft of an amendment to the above section be prepared to change the word in the present law from "shall" to "may", and the Association agreed to sponsor such a bill.

Mr. Rudolf then discussed a proposed amendment to Sect. 87.01.060, 87.01.061 and adding new sections to Chapt. 87.01, which would permit the State Department of Highways to make payments for O&M costs to irrigation districts on lands taken from those districts for highway rights-of-way purposes, and to pay a pro-rata share of bonded indebtedness or indebtedness to the government for construction against such lands. Mr. Rudolf had met with highway department officials and representatives from the Attorney General's office at various times since the previous session to discuss this proposal. Altho there was not much enthusiasm shown, Mr. Rudolf understood the highway department would not oppose such a bill as they had stated such legislation was necessary to enable them to make payments. However, at his most recent meeting their attitude had changed somewhat and Mr. Rudolf was not optimistic about their cooperation. However, it was moved and unanimously approved that the Association have such a bill introduced and Mr. Rudolf's draft was approved.

There was then a general discussion with Senator Washington and Representative Mundy regarding the tactics to be employed by the Association in presenting these bills to the legislature. It was agreed that Mr. Mundy should introduce them in the House. During the 1953 session our bills had been introduced in both House and Senate; to which there seemed no particular advantage. The Secretary was introduced to mail out to all members of the Legislature copies of the bills, together with short explanations of each sufficiently in advance so they could be studied before the legislature convened.

After some general discussion, there being no further business, the meeting adjourned.
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts believes in the greatest economically justifiable development of all the water resources of the Columbia River system, and

WHEREAS, this Association believes that this development should include provision for the protection of water supplies of existing districts, provision for future irrigated areas as they become feasible, and protection for state water laws, and

WHEREAS, this Association believes in comprehensive development of all resources of the Columbia River system including irrigation, hydroelectric power, navigation, fish, wildlife and recreational values and protection from pollution under the planning and guidance of the people of the Basin, and

WHEREAS, this Association believes that people of the Columbia River Basin should participate to the fullest extend in this development and be assured of a full share in the benefits of that development, and

WHEREAS, this Association realizes the important interstate and international problems which arise in connection with this development, and

WHEREAS, this Association believes that these objectives can best be obtained through the adoption of an interstate compact among the states of the Columbia River Basin,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts endorses in principle the Columbia Interstate Compact.
STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, a form of proposed Water Resources Policy for the State of Washington has been prepared by the executive branch of the state government and has been incorporated in the biennium report of the Division of Water Resources of the Department of Conservation and Development and recommended for adoption by the legislature of the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, at a hearing held in Olympia in June 1955 this Association pointed out several weaknesses and deficiencies in a statement of policy proposed at that time; and

WHEREAS, these weaknesses and deficiencies still exist in the form of proposed Water Resources Policy recommended by the Division of Water Resources;

NOW therefore be it RESOLVED by the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts, in annual convention assembled:

1. That the Association endorses and approves the principle of planning for the best possible development and use of the water resources of the state.

2. That certain weaknesses and deficiencies exist in the Water Resources Policy now proposed which should receive further study before any final statement of policy is adopted by the legislature of this state.

3. That this Association opposes the adoption by the legislature of the proposed Water Resources Policy in its present form, and in lieu thereof recommends that the legislature enact legislation appointing a committee, composed of representatives of irrigation, power, forestry, fisheries and municipal and insular users and further composed of representatives of the appropriate divisions of the executive branch of the state government, to make further study of the state's water resources and to develop a proper statement of Water Resources Policy.

(Approved at annual convention, Spokane, Washington, October 29, 1956)
STATE ASSOCIATION OF
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS
SOUND IRRIGATION PROGRAMS PROMOTE PROSPERITY

OBJECTIVES:
1—To Promote The Interests Of Irrigated Farming
2—To Improve The Operation Of Irrigation Districts Of The State
3—To Act As A Clearing House On Information For Irrigation Districts

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT
November 1, 1955 to September 30, 1956
(11 Months)

CASH BALANCE - NOVEMBER 1, 1955 $2,592.34

RECEIPTS:
1955 ANNUAL MEETING $125.00
MEMBERSHIP DUES $1,805.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS $1,930.00
TOTAL $4,522.34

DISBURSEMENTS:
SECRETARY'S SALARY $660.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES, TELEPHONE & MISC. $256.99
1955 ANNUAL MEETING COST $149.99
TRAVEL EXPENSE $171.53
EQUIPMENT PURCHASED (ENVELOPE ADDRESS MACH) $58.39
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS $1,296.30

CASH BALANCE - SEPTEMBER 30, 1956 $3,226.04
TOTAL $4,522.34

Ted Newstrom, Secy-Treasurer

APPROVED:
Clifton Keif
Burl Zellager
Auditing Committee
STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - 1956-1957

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Secy-Manager, Okanogan Irrigation District
Term Expires 1957

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1958

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1957

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Secy-Manager, Kittitas Reclamation District
1957

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Pres. of Board, Okanogan Reclamation District
1958

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Board of Directors, East Columbia Basin Irrig. Dist.
1959

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1957

AT LARGE

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1959

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1958

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Formerly Secy-Agr., Yakima-Tieton Irrig. Dist.
1958

H. E. ALEXANDER, Granger, Washington
Board of Directors, Sunnyside Valley Irrig. Dist.
1959

SECY-TREASURER

TED NEMSTROM, Box 209, Ellensburg, Wash.
1957

DIRECTOR DIVISIONS:

1 - FEND ORFELD, SPOKANE, STEVENS, WHITMAN

2 - ASOTIN, COLUMBIA, GARFIELD, WALLOWA, WALLA WALLA

3 - BENTON, KITTITAS, Klickitat, YAKIMA

4 - CHELAN, FERRY, OKANOGAN

5 - ADAMS, DOUGLAS, GRANT, LINCOLN, FRANKLIN

6 - ALL OTHER COUNTIES OF THE STATE

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE:

C. M. ZEDIKER, CHAIRMAN, CASHMERE

KERMIT M. RUDOLF, SPOKANE

R. V. HENDRICK, OMAK

WM. L. McANILIS, OTHELLO

A. D. MacKEEL, ZILLAH

PAUL LEEMARGIE, EPHRATA
STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Minutes - Board of Directors and Legislative Committee meeting, Thursday, April 18, 1957, at Wenatchee, Washington.


The minutes of the Board and Committee meeting held in Moses Lake on December 14, 1956, were read and approved as read.

There was discussion of the taking of irrigated lands for highway purposes. After the 1957 session of the state legislature it was thought there was little chance of the districts obtaining any consideration of their problems in this connection, but we had been informed that the subject was on the agenda for a subcommittee of the interim committee of the legislature and it is hoped there will be a renewal of consideration of this problem by the legislature.

During this discussion it was brought out that another facet to the problem is the provision of adequate drainage for lands above proposed highways and suggested that this angle be brought into any discussion with an interim committee.

It was then suggested that a committee of the Association be appointed to analyze the problem in its entirety and cover the ground to be discussed at any hearing of the interim committee to which we might be invited. The President thereupon appointed the following: Kermit M. Rudolf, H. E. Alexander, Wm. L. McAnlis with Paul Lemargie as advisor.

There was then discussion of irrigation district election laws and of Senator Hallauer's attempt to amend the present statute. He has been invited to attend this meeting to discuss with the Board and Committee members his objections to the present law, but had been unable to attend. However, Mr. Hendricks reported the Senator had stated he did not want to propose anything to the legislature that was not agreed to by our group and that the subject would be discussed with us before any further attempts are made to amend the law.

Apparently the amendment proposed by the Association and passed by the 1955 state legislature to restrict the vote of city lot owners has not proved entirely satisfactory and it seems the subject will again be re-opened for further changes. A letter from Kermit Rudolf, who was unable to attend this meeting, was read in which he stated he felt the existing laws should be further amended.

Mr. Kail also stated that while the method provided in the last amendment for limiting voting by small landowners had been voted into use by the Yakima-Tieton I.D., there was still not entire satisfactory with the procedure and some angles of the problem created by the expansion of towns and cities still exist.

There was then a review of a number of bills which had been introduced in the 1957 session of the state legislature which would either affect the operation of irrigation districts if passed of which would be of interest to the districts. Several of these bills either directly provided for collective bargaining by employees or were aimed in that direction. Altho no labor bills having direct effect on the districts had been passed, the number introduced on this subject indicated continued pressure by labor on the legislature for legislation of this nature.

Mr. Sterling informed the Board of a meeting to be held in Pendleton, Oregon, on April 25th to discuss Basin Account legislation. Mr. Brown reported on a similar meeting which had been held at Idaho Falls in February.

The Board was informed of the opinion by the Attorney General that "public funds" could not legally be used to pay expenses incurred while lobbying for either state
or national legislation.

The Secretary reported that statements for dues for the year 1957 based on the same scale as in former years had been mailed to the districts. The Board agreed that it was advisable no change in the rates charged be made at this time.

After some general discussion the meeting adjourned.

Ted Newstrum, Secretary
STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Minutes - Board of Directors and Legislative Committee meeting, Wednesday, July 24, 1957, at Ellensburg, Washington.


The principal matters for discussion at this meeting were the proposed State Water Resources Policy and the subject of State Highway rights-of-way thru irrigated lands.

On the highway rights-of-way matter a committee had been appointed at the meeting held on April 13th, composed of Mr. Alexander, Mr. McNelis and Mr. Lemargie, to work with Mr. Rudolf in deciding just what the Association members of the Advisory Committee to the research group of the Legislative Council should present. It was decided the Secretary should arrange for a meeting of this Committee, to be held in Spokane at Mr. Rudolf's convenience. A motion was made, seconded and carried that the expenses of this Committee in attending the meeting should be paid by the Association.

As Mr. deSchepper had also been asked to serve on the advisory group he is to be notified of any meetings arranged and asked to attend.

During the course of the meeting there was discussion regarding the work being done by the Association and it was suggested that the Secretary mail to all irrigation district officials of the state copies of the minutes of this meeting to acquaint them with what the Association is attempting to accomplish.

There was then discussion regarding the proposed state water resources policy. It was decided that the position of the Association should be that while there are some relatively minor things in the present water laws that could be changed to advantage, the principle "first in time, first in right" should be upheld in connection with water rights and use.

There had been previously a suggestion that the regular annual meeting of the Association be held this year at Moses Lake, and it was decided to hold the meeting there on Friday and Saturday, October 25th and 26th, in the auditorium of the Grant County P.U.D. Some subjects for the program were tentatively discussed but nothing definitely decided.

After some general discussion the meeting adjourned.

Ted Neustrum, Secretary
STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Minutes - Committee Meeting, Monday, August 5, 1957, at Spokane, Washington.

Present - Kermit M. Rudolf, Chairman, H. E. Alexander, Wm. L. McAnlis, Keith McDaniels and Ted Neustrum.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the definite points to be made by the members of the Advisory Group appointed to assist the Research Staff in an investigation regarding state highway rights-of-way through irrigation districts. The research is being done by Prof. Max C. Jensen of the State College of Washington and his Assistants, and he is to report to the Sub-Committee on Highways of the Legislative Council.

There was first some general discussion of the points covered in the draft of legislation presented by the Association at the 1957 session of the State Legislature.
Committee Meeting - Spokane, Monday August 5, 1957:

Present: Kermit M. Rudolf, Chairman, H. E. Alexander, Wm. A. McAnlis, Keith McDaniels, Ted Newstrum.

Highways rights of way lands usually NOT removed from assessment rolls.

Possibilities of obtaining costs of relocation of facilities or reconstruction due to expansion, modernization, or extension at any future time? Too indefinite.

10 year period in HB-6 simply bait - compromise - in most districts never will be any savings in O&M.

Little possibility of replacing lands lost by picking up new lands.

In Sunnyside Valley Dist: Spread of increased charges not over entire project; not all lands subject to assessment; some limited to $1.00 per acre.

Drainage: Drainage districts in S.V.I.D. may be taken over and maintenance by district. (Avoid mention of exclusion of rights-of-way from districts.)

No additional acreage possible to absorb water rights and charges on lands taken out (500 acres.)

Board & Legis. Committee Meeting - Ellensburg, Wednesday, July 24, 1957:


DeS, member of advisory group on highway rights of way - should be invited to committee meetings and kept posted on materials.

Motion: Expenses of committee be paid by Assm.

Motion: Secy arrange with Rudolf for meeting at Spokane at his convenience.

Suggested copy minutes this meeting be sent to all i.d. secretaries and directors.

Water resources: Some minor things that could be improved but principle "first in time first in right" should stand.

The program was presented as planned with a copy being attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Members of the Auditing Committee appointed by the President included Malcolm J. Crawford, Ralph Overby and A. D. MacKelvie.

Members of the Nominating Committee were: B. J. Johnson, G. L Sterling, Ralph Overby, Chris Larsen and Pauline Costenhout.

Motion was made, seconded and carried that the group go on record as favoring the sale of irrigable State lands in Irrigation Districts.

Motion was made, seconded and carried that recommendations of the Nominating Committee be accepted and the Secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for the following:

- President - Keith J. McDaniels - one year.
- Vice Presidents - R. W. Hendrick - one year
  - Lloyd Berry - one year.
- Director Division 2 - Rogers R. Neff - three years. To succeed Harold J. Eldemiller whose term expires this year.
- Director Division 3 - Gale L. Sterling - three years. To succeed himself for another three years.
- Director Division 4 - David P. Brown - one year. To fill vacancy of R. W. Hendrick for unexpired term.
- At Large - Van E. Nutley - three years. To succeed Howard M. Cameron whose term expires this year.
- At Large - Malcolm J. Crawford - one year. To succeed Earl S. Gregory who is unable to continue for the rest of his unexpired term.

Motion was then made to appoint Ted Nowrum as Secretary-Treasurer for the ensuing year. Motion was seconded and carried.

Telegram from Kennewick Chamber of Commerce was read extending an invitation to hold next annual meeting there. The Secretary was instructed to thank them and convey the message that the location of our next Annual Meeting would have to be decided at a later date.

The Auditing Committee approved the reports and records of the Treasurer and moved for adoption of the audit approval. Motion was seconded and carried.

It was moved that the State Association send a delegate to the N.R.A. National Convention in the person of the new President, Keith J. McDaniels and that his expenses be paid by the Association. Motion seconded and carried.

The program having been carried to completion the meeting adjourned.

[Signature]
M. J. CRAWFORD Secretary Pro tem
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STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Program
Friday, October 25, 1957

1:00 PM - Registration - Fee $1.00

David P. Brown, Presiding

1:30 PM - President's Report - David P. Brown, Okanogan
Treasurer's Report - Ted Newstrum, Ellensburg

- Legislative Committee Report -
  WM. L. McANLIS, Secretary, East Columbia
  Basin Irrigation District, Othello

- "WEED CONTROL ON IRRIGATION SYSTEMS" -
  DELBERT SUGGS, Project Weed Specialist,
  Bureau of Reclamation, Ephrata

- "SMALL WATERSHED PROGRAM" -
  F. A. MARK, Deputy State Conservationist,
  Soil Conservation Service, Spokane

4:00 PM - TOUR - U & I SUGAR BEET PLANT, Moses Lake

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STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Program
Saturday, October 26, 1957

Keith J. McDaniel, Presiding

9:30 AM - "SMALL PROJECTS ACT" - WM. H. TULLER, Asst. Reg.
  Director, Bureau of Reclamation, Boise, Idaho

- Panel Discussion "DO WE NEED A NEW WATER POLICY?"
  Moderator - PAUL LEMARIE, Field Solicitor,
  U.S. Dept. of Interior, Ephrata
  Panel Members -
  M. G. WALKER, Supervisor, Division of Water
  Resources, Department of Conservation
  IRVING NEWHOUSE, Farmer, Matton, Washington
  ROBERT C. MEIGS, Chief, Fishery Management
  Division, Department of Game
  OSCAR A. CAMP, Past President, Washington
  State Assn. of Soil Conservation Districts
  H. T. HEG, Supervisor, Stream Improvement
  Section, Department of Fisheries
  G. L. STERLING, Secy-Manager, Kittitas
  Reclamation District, Ellensburg

David P. Brown, Presiding

- Election of Officers

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STATE ASSOCIATION OF
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS
SOUND IRRIGATION PROGRAMS PROMOTE PROSPERITY

OBJECTIVES:
1—To Promote the Interests of Irrigated Farming
2—To Improve the Operation of Irrigation Districts of the State
3—To Act as a Clearing House on Information for Irrigation Districts

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT
October 1, 1956 to September 30, 1957

CASH BALANCE—SEPTEMBER 30, 1956 .................. $ 3,226.04

RECEIPTS:
1956 ANNUAL MEETING ................................ $ 110.00
MEMBERSHIP DUES ...................................... 1,690.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS ......................................... 1,800.00

$ 5,026.04

DISBURSEMENTS:
SECRETARY'S SALARY ................................... $ 720.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES, TELEPHONE & MISCELLANEOUS .... 474.80
1956 ANNUAL MEETING COST .......................... 137.16
TRAVEL EXPENSE ....................................... 536.87

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS ................................ $ 1,868.83

CASH BALANCE—SEPTEMBER 30, 1957 ............... 3,157.21

$ 5,026.04

Ted Newstrum, Secy-Treasurer

APPROVED:

Auditing Committee
STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS
1957-1958

PRESIDENT
KEITH J. MCDANIELS, Box 239 Sunnyside, Wash.
Manager, Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District

Term Expires
1958

VICE PRESIDENTS:
R. W. HENDRICK, Omak, Washington
Director, Okanogan Irrigation District

1958

LLOYD BERRY, Cashmere, Washington
Manager, Icicle Irrigation District

1958

DIRECTORS:

DIVISION 1

Secretary, Bacon Tracts, East Farms, Greenshores, Model,
Otis Orchards, Spokane Valley, West Farms Irrig. Dist.

1958

ROGERS R. NEFF, Box 612, Pasco, Wash.
Vice President, South Columbia Basin Irrigation Dist.

1960

G. L. STERLING, Box 205, Ellensburg, Wash.
Secretary-Manager, Kittitas Reclamation Dist.

1960

DAVID P. BROWN, Okanogan Irrigation District
Secretary-Manager, Okanogan Irrig. Dist

1958

CHRIS LARSEN, Wilson Creek, Wash
Director, East Columbia Basin Irrig. Dist

1959

AT LARGE:

C. M. ZEKER, Cashmere, Wash.
Secretary, Icicle Irrigation Dist.

1959

CLIFFORD KAUL, 204 North 85th Ave., Yakima, Wash.
Formerly Secy-Mgr., Yakima-Tieton Irrigation Dist.

1958

H. E. ALEXANDER, Orangr, Washington
Director, Sunnyside Valley Irrig. Dist

1959

VAN S. NUTLEY, Box 615, Kennewick, Wash.
Secy-Mgr., Kennewick Irrigation Dist.

1960

M. J. CRAWFORD, Rt. 6, Box 193, Yakima, Wash.
Mgr-Secy., Yakima-Tieton Irrigation District

1958

SECT-TREASURER
MALCOLM J. CRAWFORD, Rt. 6, Box 193, Yakima, Wash.

1958

DIRECTOR DIVISIONS:

1 = Pend Oreille, Spokane, Stevens, Whitman

2 = Asotin, Columbia, Garfield, Walla Walla

3 = Benton, Kittitas, Kittitas, Yakima

4 = Chelan, Ferry, Okanogan

5 = Adams, Douglas, Grant, Lincoln, Franklin

AT LARGE = FORMER DISTRICTS WHICH INCLUDED

ALL OTHER COUNTIES OF THE STATE WAS
PLACED UNDER DIRECTOR AT LARGE AT
ANNUAL MEETING HELD OCT. 25 & 26, 1957.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE:

R. W. HENDRICK, CHAIRMAN, OMAK
WM. L. MOANLIS, OHELLO
KERMIT M. RUDOLF, SPOKANE
C. M. ZEKER, CASHMERE
PAUL LEMARRIE, EPHRATA
A. D. MACKEVLIE, ZILLAH
STATE ASSOCIATION
OF
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Minutes of Board of Director's meeting held in the Chinook Hotel, Yakima, Washington on January 15, 1958 at 10:00 a.m.

Purpose of the meeting was to discuss the new water policy as proposed by the State of Washington and the effects it might have on irrigation districts.

Due to the fact that Ted Newstrum had resigned as Secretary of the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts a matter of business had to be attended to by appointing someone to take his place.

Motion was made by H. E. Alexander that Malcolm J. Crawford be appointed regular Secretary-Treasurer of the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts. The motion was seconded by Clifford Kail and carried.

Gale Sterling reported a balance of $2,685.18 in the Association funds and moved the balance in full be turned over to Crawford as the new Secretary-Treasurer. Motion was seconded by Van Nutley and carried.

Dick Hendrick moved the Secretary send a letter of thanks to Ted Newstrum for his services during the past years. Motion carried following a second by H. E. Alexander.

MackElvie moved the regular monthly salary of Crawford as Secretary-Treasurer be set at $75.00 per month with authority to hire such secretarial help as reasonably required for the job and that his expenses for official travel on State Association business be paid by the Association. Motion seconded by Clifford Kail and carried.

Annual dues came up for consideration and upon the motion of H. E. Alexander, seconded by MackElvie and duly carried it was decided that the annual dues for member irrigation districts in 1958 would be on the same basis as the previous year. One dissenting vote was cast by Van Nutley.

Clifford Kail asked Paul LeMargie if the status of the Indian Reservation could be determined because there was a question as to whether the Reservation land would be under State laws or Federal laws.

Discussed the possibility of bringing in other Irrigation Districts such as Rosia and South Columbia Basin. It was suggested meeting with some of these non-members.

LeMargie asked to consider lobbying business. He pointed out that if Irrigation Districts cannot pay for doing any lobbying it is a good talking point to be active in State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts.

At 11:00 a.m. Cecil Clark, President of the Washington State Reclamation Association came in as previously arranged, to discuss the proposed State water policy. This subject was discussed at considerable length to get the thinking of our group before taking the matter up again after lunch with representatives of Washington State Reclamation Association.

Meeting adjourned at noon. A complete record of the minutes of the combined group was prepared by Lew Garbutt and is attached hereto.

M. J. CRAWFORD, Secretary
JOINT MEETING
REPRESENTATIVES OF
ASSOCIATION OF IRRIGATION DISTRICTS AND WASHINGTON STATE RECLAMATION ASSOCIATION
January 15, 1958
Chinook Hotel
Yakima, Washington

ATTENDANCE

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Cecil Clark, president of the Washington State Reclamation Association, opened this joint session by inviting the group to name a chairman and secretary for this meeting. Nominations for the chairman were called for and Dick Hendrick was nominated. It was moved that nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot cast for Dick Hendrick. This was done. Mr. Clark then called for nominations for secretary. Lew Garbut was nominated. It was moved that nominations be closed and an unanimous ballot cast. This was done.

Mr. Hendrick assumed the chairmanship and advised those present that this joint meeting of the Association of Irrigation Districts and the Washington State Reclamation Association had been requested by Cecil Clark for the purpose of discussing a legislative proposal concerning water resource problems of the state which is under consideration by the Legislative Council through its sub-committee on natural resources. Because of the length of the report to be examined by this group, Mr. Hendrick laid down a few ground rules for conducting this meeting which would serve to expedite the discussion. He then called upon Paul Lemmarty to provide background information concerning the development of the legislative proposal to be examined. There followed some discussion of the subject in general at which point Mr. O. W. Lindgren, superintendent for this district for the Bureau of Reclamation, reported on correspondence which he had prepared and forwarded to Mr. Robert Bernathy, who is chairman of the subcommittee on natural resources. The context of Mr. Lindgren's letter is as follows: "The following comments are made on the 'Legislative proposals under consideration re: water resource problems of the State'. This is a joint report by the Superintendent of the Yakima Project, O. W. Lindgren, and myself, in answer to your letter of December 3, 1957.

First, we wish to point out that the Yakima Project, Bureau of Reclamation, has the rather unique distinction of being the operating agency which has over all control of the storage water and the regulation of water deliveries in the Yakima watershed and its lower valley irrigated area. It has been vested with the responsibility through State permits for the development of storage reservoirs and irrigation facilities serving nearly 500,000 acres of land. The administration of water rights includes those rights which were established by limiting agreements in 1905 when the United States first filed for the waters of the Yakima River and its tributaries. Subsequent permits have been issued to the United States as the project progressed. Those permits were all issued by the State upon satisfactory showing of progress in putting the water to beneficial use. Such use has been for irrigation purposes with incidental power development.
The total investment in such facilities, by the Bureau of Reclamation, is approximately $60,000,000. To that must be added about another $40,000,000 in irrigation works built by the Indian Service, municipal irrigation districts and private individuals. The storage facilities, which provide the largest part of the water, cost approximately $10,000,000. In addition to the construction costs, the irrigation farmers are paying about $90,000 annually for operation and maintenance of the Storage Division. All of these payments have been made by the irrigation water users with no costs having ever been charged 6% for any other purpose. Ownership of water has thus become appurtenant to the land.

We point out this financial, structural and administrative set up to direct attention to the fact that inasmuch as the Yakima Valley irrigation water users pay for all of the facilities constructed, as well as the operation and maintenance of them, they are very apprehensive of any legislation which might wrest control from them.

With reference to Paragraph 4, "Flood control and reclamation", which has to do with defining two basically different purposes, we wish to point out that it will be difficult, on the Yakima Project, to establish operating policies and procedures which will accomplish both objectives, in a positive and predetermined manner. That can only be done by constructing supplemental storage reservoirs whereby definite amounts of storage space can be allocated for specific purposes. All existing dams on the Yakima watershed are only for storage of irrigation water.

Regarding the "Appeals Board" we find considerable concern expressed over the possibilities of getting a board which has no knowledge of the rather unusual and special administrative problems existing in the Yakima Valley. The language, "each representing, but not necessarily confined to the following users or users of water" plainly makes it possible to have no representative from the Yakima Valley on the board. Should the board be dominated by persons who do not understand the Yakima situation, serious conflicts could arise.

Improvement is desirable in the collection of hydrologic data, with close coordination between the several state and federal agencies engaged in this work deemed worthy of consideration. Also, records and management of both surface and groundwater usage on Federal Indian lands within the State should be considered in the proposed legislation.

We concur in the fundamental belief that water resources shall be directed to make the maximum contribution to the public benefit, and require a regulating body with authority to control water users; however when an allocation has been made to some basic industry, such as irrigation farming, which is the life blood of the Yakima Valley, that must be recognized as a prior right which cannot be amended by an Appeals Board.

Representative Cecil Clark has advised us of a meeting of water users which is to be held in Yakima on January 15, 1938, to discuss this subject. We are pleased that such a conference is being called as it will give an opportunity to discuss proposed legislative proposals in greater detail.

We thank you for the opportunity of reviewing this water resource legislation.

In anticipation of eventual action as result of today's examination of the proposal, it was moved by Gale Sterling seconded by Keith McDaniels that the chairman immediately appoint a committee of five members of this group to be prepared to re-work this legislative proposal and to represent the Association of Irrigation Districts and the Washington State Reclamation Association before the Legislative Council sub-committee to express the viewpoints determined today. The motion carried. Chairman Hendricks called for nominations and the following nominations were offered: Cecil Clark Chairman, Keith McDaniels, Paul Lamargie, Charles Powell and Gale Sterling. At this point Mr. Markham moved that nominations be closed and that the unanimous ballot be cast for the five men nominated. Motion carried.

It was generally agreed that the best analysis of the proposal would be made if it were read word for word and all present invited to offer their comments concerning any portion of the proposal as it was being read.

In Paragraph 1 and on motion by Mr. McDaniel second Mr. Sterling it was unanimously agreed that reference to the establishment of an Appeals Board should be removed from the proposal altogether.

Draft IA (Completely re-work)

Draft 1B (To be coordinated with existing agencies)
Item 1C (needs clarification)

Item 1D (out of our jurisdiction)

Item 1E (recommended that this be re-worked with a question raised as to the application of this paragraph to existing facilities)

Item 1F (protect legislative responsibilities)

Item 1G (delete)

Item 1H (seemed to be O.K.)

Paragraph 2A (socialistic)

Paragraph 2B (no comment noted)

Paragraph 3 (seems to indicate a desire to substitute regulation for statute. Complete opposition to this paragraph)

Paragraph 4 (must be clarified)

Paragraph 5 (sufficient to notify the state thus permitting intervention)

Paragraph 6 (suggest we take a long look at this one)

Paragraph 7 All of the items listed under paragraph 7 are definitions of the terms to be used in the proposed legislation.

Paragraph 7A (concerns beneficial use suggested that Mr. Powell and Mr. Lemargie and Mr. Anderson will provide suggested definitions of this term)

Paragraph 7C (needs to be re-worked)

Paragraph 7D (irrigation districts should be itemized)

Paragraph 8 (re-work)

Paragraph 9 (get some kind of report from the department people explaining the reason for the inclusion of this paragraph)

Paragraphs 10 and 11 (should be examined carefully)

On motion by Mr. Nutley second Mr. Alexander it was unanimously agreed that the 3-man committee convey the thinking of this group to the Legislative Council's subcommittee and urge that final drafting of this bill be delayed beyond the next session of the state legislature to permit a more thorough study of this subject.

Meeting adjourned 3:45 P.M.

Immediately following the adjournment of the joint session the chairman of the special committee, Cecil Clark, met with his committee and it was agreed that he would make contact immediately with Mr. Bernethy requesting an opportunity to meet with him within the next ten or twelve days to express the viewpoints outlined above. It was agreed that all members of the committee would be advised of the date, time, and meeting place with Mr. Bernethy so that all could make arrangements to be in attendance.
Minutes of Board of Directors' meeting held in the office of Kittitas Reclamation District, Ellensburg, Washington on May 8, 1958 at the hour of 10:30 a.m.

Purpose of the meeting was to discuss various problems relative to irrigation districts as well as ways and means of best accomplishing the objectives of the Association.


The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by President Keith McDaniels followed by Secretary M. J. Crawford reading the minutes of the previous board meeting held January 15, 1958. There being no corrections or amendments it was declared by President McDaniels that the minutes would stand approved as read.

A discussion centered around the status of the Indian Reservation. Powell felt their laws were entirely separate from the laws governing irrigation districts. Sterling said that even tho such an organization might not be able to become a member of the association we should still keep them informed as to what we are doing.

Powell gave a brief report on the hearing held in Olympia, March 7, 1958 regarding State Water Policy. He pointed out that many other interests besides irrigation districts are concerned as to whether or not a revised state water policy would be harmful to them.

LeMargie said he had talked to John Richardson who said Murray Walker was discouraged with the progress being made on the proposed State Water Policy which he is pushing and this, of course is encouraging to us.

Powell said Murray Walker had been talking to University of Washington law school regarding this matter. To keep on top of this matter of water policy Powell said another approach we should consider is that of keeping contact with Virg Cunningham in Joe Dwyer's office in the State Department of Agriculture.

Sterling suggested publicizing the situation and acquainting our membership with this State Water Policy.

Nutley suggested these releases also be sent to other irrigation districts even tho they may not be members of our association now.

The subject of an attempt to enter into the control of irrigation district operation and maintenance work by the State Pollution Control Commission was introduced by Crawford reading a letter dated April 23, 1958 addressed to the Yakima-Tieton Irrigation District which has also been
received by several other irrigation districts. Referring to the use of aromatic solvent this letter requests "The Eastern District Office of the Pollution Control Commission located at 919 Summitview Ave., Yakima should be notified far enough in advance of each application of these weed-killing chemicals to enable the staff of the Commission to make any necessary inspections to safeguard receiving natural watercourses."

LeMargie felt someone should look at pollution laws and determine how much the Pollution Control Commission can back up its request.

Powell offered to make a brief of the pollution control laws and send copies to the Association President and Secretary for possible further distribution to our Board and Association Members.

Powell suggested the Secretary might arrange with the State Legislators to be put on mailing list of all bills coming up.

Alexander reported on the meeting regarding State Highway Rights-of-Way which was also held in Olympia on March 7, 1958. He said they recognized the damage to irrigation districts and felt the matter could be worked out thru right-of-way.

Crawford read a copy of a letter addressed to Kermit Rudolf telling of an Interim Highway Committee meeting scheduled for May 15, 1958 in Othello. This letter was from Representative Roy Mundy and he recommended that some key men from our Association attend because the committee will consider at that time the matter of Highway Department taking lands within an irrigation district for highway purposes.

Alexander stated he had understood this meeting of the Highway Committee was to be held in Pasco so a telephone call was made to Representative Roy Mundy who verified the meeting in Pasco but stated it was being held at noon there while the Othello meeting was at 5:30 p.m.

It was suggested by LeMargie that we ask Olaf Lindgren regarding what agreement has been reached with the State of Idaho to pay construction charges for land taken out of irrigation for highway purposes.

Another suggestion was to contact such organizations as the Oregon Irrigation Congress and the California Irrigation Districts Association to outline our problems and ask if they have any similar ones.

McAnlis, Larson and Sterling said they could attend the meeting in Othello while McDanielis and Alexander said they could be at the Pasco meeting on May 15. Hendrick said another meeting would be held in Okanogan at a different date which he and Brown would attend. All other Board Members who could attend any of these meetings were urged to do so.
LeMargie reported on the $105,000 judgment awarded widow of Rastofski who was killed in the Kennewick Irrigation District. The whole subject of liabilities of Irrigation Districts and the Bureau of Reclamation for accidents occurring on projects was thoroughly discussed.

McAnlis aired the matter of irrigation districts doing their own assessing and making collections that they might also be given the right to issue delinquent deeds. The general opinion of the group appeared to be that they preferred to continue on the present basis where the County Treasurer handles the collection of delinquent accounts and issues Treasurer's Deeds when necessary.

Nutley suggested we watch for any legislation regarding County Treasurers charging a high rate for handling irrigation district accounts.

LeMargie asked Hendrick if voting rights were still a problem in Okanogan. It appears that Senator Webb Hallauer has some legislation in mind regarding this subject.

Sterling moved the Board Members from Okanogan find out what Senator Hallauer has in mind regarding voting and report back to the Association. Motion was seconded by Powell and carried.

Hendrick recommended keeping watch on the Cowlitz Dam initiative that is being circulated. It is backed on the bottom authority to the fisheries and defines areas.

Nutley said we should watch out for any adverse labor legislation.

Among those suggested for contacts to obtain advance information on legislative bills were Senator Ivy and Representatives Roy Mundy and Cecil Clark.

The question was raised as to the responsibility of the State to pay assessments currently. Kail explained that legislation was passed a few years back which permitted the State to do this but didn't order them to do it so the State has just been continuing on the old basis of paying every two years.

Sterling suggested using these problems as tinder to unite or bring other districts into action and ask for their opinions.

Sterling and Powell both moved the members of the Legislative Committee as at present constituted be reappointed to continue in this capacity. They are Dick Hendrick, Bill McAnlis, Claude Zediker, Paul LeMargie and Kermit Rudolf. Motion was seconded by Dave Brown and carried.

Ordinarily any legislation to be used by this association must be submitted at least one month prior to the annual meeting. Any recommendations for legislative changes should, therefore, be in the hands of the Secretary of the Association (M. J. Crawford) by September 1.
President McDaniels proposed that we go ahead with plans for our next annual meeting. Sterling moved Kennewick be chosen as the meeting place for our next annual meeting. Motion was seconded by Brown and carried. No date was set and neither was any program decided on.

Nutley said we should show more people what we are doing.

LeMargie suggested contacting Greater Wenatchee re membership.

President McDaniels brought up the matter of appointing someone as Director-at-Large to fill the vacancy created by the appointment of M. J. Crawford as Secretary-Treasurer. It was generally approved that Dick Hendrick would contact Sid Flanagan, who lives in Quincy, to see if he would accept the appointment.

Accounting problems including the handling of warrants, sale of gasoline to employees and other related matters was brought up by Sterling and discussed at length by the group.

There being no further business it was moved by Hendrick, seconded by Alexander and carried at 3:20 p.m. that the meeting be adjourned.

Oh! Yes. I forgot to report that we ate lunch during noon hour at the Highway Grill.

[Signature]
M. J. Crawford
Secretary
STATE ASSOCIATION
OF
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Minutes of joint meeting with Board of Directors and Legislative Committee Members held July 18, 1958 in the Chinook Hotel, Yakima, Washington.

The meeting was called to order at 11:20 a.m. by President McDaniels.

Those in attendance were as follows:

Keith J. McDaniels
Lloyd Berry
Kermit M. Rudolf
Gale L. Sterling
Wm. L. McAnlis
Chris Larsen
H. E. Alexander

A. D. MacKelvie
R. W. Hendrick
David P. Brown
Paul Lemargie
Van E. Nutley
Clifford Kail
M. J. Crawford

McDaniels asked Dick Hendrick if he had been able to contact Sid Flanagan regarding his availability as a Director for the Association but he had been unable to do so. Chris Larsen then offered to contact Flanagan which was agreed to.

A letter of resignation from C. M. Zediker dated July 14, 1958 was read by the Secretary. Dick Hendrick moved we accept Mr. Zediker's resignation and tell him we intend to keep him informed of action of the organization and send him copies of minutes. The motion was given a second by Kermit Rudolf and carried.

Sterling suggested consideration all at one time of the replacements for Zediker, Crawford and Neff as Board Members and have names ready to vote on at the next Annual Meeting.

After consideration of several different meeting dates it was moved by Alexander that October 31 and November 1 be set as meeting dates for the Annual Meeting. MacKelvie seconded the motion and it carried. Kennewick had previously been decided on as the place to hold the meeting.

Nutley suggested Mike McCormack as a program speaker inasmuch as he is proposing the covering of irrigation ditches.

Sterling said McCormack was proposing that all irrigation districts be put under Public Service Commission. Sterling questioned advisability of using him unless political opponent also be given time on the program.

After some discussion it was moved by Sterling that Nutley set up the panel for discussion of the so-called "Ditch of Death question". Brown seconded the motion and it carried.
Rudolf moved the Friday evening meeting be a banquet at which the panel group will be there. MacKelvie gave the motion a second and it was duly carried.

President McDaniels then appointed the following as a committee to set up the program: Gale L. Sterling, Van E. Nutley, M. J. Crawford and Keith J. McDaniels.

With regard to drownings Van Nutley said there had been an average of one drowning every eighteen months at Kennewick. Thru individual contributions the people at Kennewick raised $4,000 and fenced the Columbia Irrigation District Canal thru the park. Nutley read an editorial from the July 17, 1958 issue of the Tri-City Herald Newspaper.

McDaniels then had the Secretary read a letter addressed to Gale Sterling dated July 15, 1958 from the Red Cross with regard to a meeting scheduled for July 22, 1958, in the Red Cross building on the subject of drowning prevention. Gale Sterling moved for appointment by the President of two members of this association to attend the Red Cross meeting. Following a second by H. E. Alexander the motion was carried. Clifford Kall and Van E. Nutley were then appointed by President McDaniels to attend the meeting.

A digest of the proposed Natural Resources bill was distributed by McDaniels to the group. Sterling said he felt we should get various legal talent to publicize objections. He also suggested that Charles L. Powell or Paul Lemargie and possibly Cecil Clark take some time at the annual meeting on this subject.

McAnlis moved, Sterling seconded, that representatives of all districts in the Association study the Legislative Committee proposal and submit comments to Lemargie, Powell and Crawford. Motion carried.

McDaniels asked McAnlis to report on the meeting he attended at Othello. McAnlis said the comments regarding highway rights-of-way were a very minor part of the program and there was no discussion at all. Regarding the Yakima meeting on this subject Alexander said Senator Henry gave a report. He further said the February meeting in Olympia was more concrete and gave indication funds could be obtained thru right of way.

Alexander suggested it might be advisable to ask Max Jensen to report to the Association and possibly be one of the speakers on the Annual Meeting program. McAnlis will informally get information from Max Jensen if possible. Someone mentioned that Al Henry is chairman of Columbia Basin Area Fact Finding Committee.

McAnlis asked about advisability of having registration of voters in advance of election date for irrigation districts. The question was also raised about legal clarification on who is owner. Sterling moved the matter be referred to Legislative Committee for such action as they see fit and we should refer our ideas to that committee before the Annual Meeting. Lloyd Berry seconded the motion and it carried.

Sterling, in talking about the subject of Basin Account legislation, said it should provide for participation in power revenues both for repayment of construction and rehabilitation. Expected there will be $600,000,000 from power revenue in the next fifty years. Said a meeting is to be held in Pendleton, Oregon July 23, 1958 regarding Basin Account. This matter was discussed in some detail by the group.
Crawford reported successful receipt of dues totaling $1,610.00 to date compared to $1,690.00 total in 1957 with some new members.

Lemargie explained his correspondence regarding Brewster Flat excess land opinion.

Van Nutley asked for information on getting details on name changes and segregations of property. Several of those in attendance informed him of their various methods.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

M. J. CRAWFORD, Secretary
STATE ASSOCIATION
OF
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

JOINT MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON
IRRIGATION DISTRICTS AND IRRIGATION DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS, MANAGERS AND
SECRETARIES.

August 20, 1958
Chinook Hotel
Yakima, Washington

ATTENDANCE:

NAME
Clifford Kail
Lloyd G. Berry
Wm. L. McAnlis
Melvin Stepon
H. de Schepper
F. R. Mason
Doyal O. Mowery
Judd Cecil
J. E. Sexson
A. L. Gjerde
Otto Halverson
Mark Taylor, Jr.
Lilly Dellere
G. L. Sterling
D. M. Storlie
C. O. Watson
A. D. Mackelvie
C. A. Tissell
Lester E. Zirkle
Dave Brown
R. W. Hendrick
Van E. Nutley
Leonard F. Burage
A. J. Seibel
M. J. C rawford
Keith J. McDaniels
C. C. Houghton

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East Columbia Basin Irrigation Dist.
West Columbia Basin Irrigation Dist.
Franklin County Irrigation Dist.
Columbia Irrigation District
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Yakima Reservation Irrigation Dist.
Wapato Irrigation Project
Sunnyside Irrigation Dist.
Kittitas Reclamation Dist.
Brewster Flat Irrigation Dist.
Naches-Selah Irrigation Dist.
Sunnyside Valley Irrigation Dist.
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Okanogan Irrigation District
Klickitat Irrigation District
Kitsap Irrigation District
Cascade Irrigation District
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Yakima-Tieton Irrigation District
Sunnyside Valley Irrigation Dist.
Roza Irrigation District

The meeting was called to order by Keith J. McDaniels, President of
the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts at 1:15 p.m. He
explained that the calling of this meeting had been prompted as a result of a
prior meeting held the previous Sunday, August 17, 1958 in the Chinook Hotel
with Representative Robert Timm of Harrington, Washington and several Irrigation
District representatives. At this prior meeting Mr. Timm, who is Chairman of the Sub-Committee on Agriculture for the Legislature, explained he had been assigned by the Legislative Council to look into the matter of a proposal made by Representative Mike McCormack to consider placing Irrigation Districts under the authority of the Public Service Commission.

In order to contact the various Irrigation Districts in the short time available, telegrams and telephone calls were made to thirty-three Irrigation Districts. The response was very good with twenty-seven people being in attendance representing nineteen different Irrigation Districts. One telegram and three long distance telephone calls were received from others who could not attend but who said they wanted to go on record as opposing any placing of Irrigation Districts under the control of the Public Service Commission. They were: J. W. Custer, Vera Irrigation District; Ralph Overbay, Lake Chelan Reclamation District; Kermit Rudolf of Spokans; and Paul Lemargie of Ephrata.

Due to the fact that this whole matter of proposing control of Irrigation Districts seemed to stem from several drownings in the Columbia Irrigation District Canal at Kennewick, Washington, President McDaniel called on F. B. Mason, Manager of the Columbia Irrigation District to give his views on the subject.

Mason told of a drowning which occurred last May 8 in the Columbia Irrigation District Canal where it goes thru the City Park. It appears that as a result of this Mrs. Biggs had written a great many people trying to get ditches fenced thru cities and inhabited areas on a statewide basis. Mason explained their District was opposed to the fencing because it would bankrupt them if they had to pay for it. He felt that an L. I. D. under the City was the only answer for financing a fencing program of this kind.

Nubley quoted from Mike McCormack's letter in which the letter requested the Public Service Commission to conduct an investigation into the matter of operating Irrigation Districts. This would involve all operations of Irrigation Districts.

MacKelvie said the feeling Representative Timm had was that McCormack would introduce a bill on this very matter.

McAnlis advised against talking this up because he felt the publicity would not do us any good.

Kail reported having attended a meeting with the Red Cross and several safety organizations regarding drowning prevention. A committee of about seven was appointed there. He felt we should know that a bill was being prepared by Representative Petrie of Yakima to present at the next Legislature. Recommendations were made at that meeting to post warning signs pointing out the immediate danger such as undercurrents, etc.

deSchepper moved we go on record that all Irrigation Districts present write Representative Timm and local Legislators opposing this legislation and set out in that letter the reasons for opposing it. MacKelvie seconded the motion and it carried.
Minutes - Joint Meeting - Chinook Hotel Aug. 20, 1958 Cont.

Nutley and McDaniels both urged everyone present to join the State Association.

desChappe moved that the Legislative Committee be instructed to present to this organization a positive bill along this line in regard to proposed legislation to place Irrigation Districts under control of the Public Service Commission. McAnlis seconded the motion and it was duly carried.

Hendrick asked what our next move was regarding water policy and Gale Sterling said we should voice the opposition of Irrigation Districts.

Burrage felt non-member Districts and Ditch Companies should be kept informed.

Sterling mentioned another problem was that of highways and the way rights-of-way were taking so much land out of irrigation.

Hendrick explained the problem of Irrigation Districts running into financial difficulties because of taking so much land out of irrigation and making no provisions for assessments to continue.

desChappe said he is a member of Interim Committee and that this matter is still in the process of being studied. He had a promise that at the next Interim Committee meeting they will have a report ready.

Burrage said verbal advice from State Attorney General's Office was that they continue to assess on same descriptions as before the highway bought the right-of-way. If they did otherwise the bond holders could come back on the directors and say they were not collecting assessments on the same land which was put up for security when the bonds were issued.

McDaniels announced legislation must be in the hands of the State Association by September 1st.

Mowery informed the group that approximately one-third of the Columbia Irrigation District had been taken out of cultivation by the Federal Government and so far the District has been unable to get any payment from the Government.

McAnlis said to be sure the owners are made aware that the debt of the Irrigation District is taken care of when land is sold by condemnation.

A letter was read bearing date of August 7, 1958 from Lew Holcomb, Secretary, Interagency Water Quality Basic Data Committee regarding a study of water quality. Sterling moved the President appoint a representative from the Association to attend their next meeting and report back to this organization. Seconded by desChappe and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

M. J. Crawford, Secretary

Note: David P. Brown was appointed by President McDaniels on September 2, 1958 as the State Association representative to the Interagency Water Quality Basic Data Committee.
Minutes of Board of Directors' meeting held in the office of Kittitas Reclamation District on December 17, 1958 at 11:00 a.m.


McDaniel appointed Van W. Nutley, Harold J. Aldenhill and M. J. Crawford to work on accounting problems.

Sterling said the irrigation districts do have a great deal of power to run their business and we should not be restricted by State Auditors. He stated that medical aid payments, although a very small item, was nevertheless one which the State Auditors office calls us on each year. Gasoline sales to employees is another item that creates a problem with the Auditors.

Mackelvie announced that Claude Zeikler, a very active member in the Association until illness forced him to retire, had died about ten days ago.

Alexander moved the Secretary write a letter to Mrs. Zeikler. The motion was seconded by Sterling and carried.

Nutley suggested inviting districts to write us and tell of their accounting and auditing troubles for consideration by the Association.

Sterling suggested going to these auditors and say this is what we want to do so how can we go about doing it? He also suggested to the committee that before making any proposals they canvass those who are interested to see if it meets with their approval.

McDaniel asked if there were any questions on the minutes of the previous two meetings? Sterling moved they be accepted as written. Motion was seconded by Alexander and carried.

Lunch was eaten at the Webster's Cafe following which the meeting continued in the afternoon.

Sterling moved the Joint Committee of the Association and State Reclamation be kept alive and add two more members. Further that Cecil Clark continue as chairman but ask him about adding members and during the period the legislature is in session confer with Lou Garbut. Motion was seconded by Kail and carried.

Hendrick reported that Kermit Audolf was working up a bill on the five acre clause. He also said John Richardson and Earl Sue had said that if we will send bills in bill form to them they will introduce them as a departmental request.

President McDaniel asked the Secretary to read a letter dated December 16, 1958 from Ralph Overbay, President of the Board of Directors, Lake Chelan Reclamation District asking the Association to place a bill before the next legislature to authorize the use of absentee ballots in Reclamation District elections.
Hendrick said there were other districts that had this same problem.

Sterling said this is just one part of the overhauling that the irrigation laws need to undergo; we have the problem of irrigation notices; write in candidates; election districts.

Eschmiller suggested a study of Oregon election laws.

Sterling moved the matter of revising election laws be referred to legislative committee for presentation in 1960 along with the following:

1. Declaration of candidacy to be required.
2. Absentee voting.
3. Change in notification time.
4. Eliminate posting and require publication.
5. If only one candidate is for election.

The above motion was seconded by Van Nutley and carried.

President McDaniels brought up the matter of rates for issues. After a brief discussion R. W. Hendrick moved the rates be held the same as at present. A second to the motion was made by Alexander and it duly carried.

At this point President McDaniels turned the meeting over to R. W. Hendrick, Chairman of the Legislative Council who reported that a bill drafted by the legislative council on fencing had been submitted which was atrocious. It appears the legislative council had kicked it out but the bill probably will still be introduced by some legislator individually. The water policy and fencing bills were listed in the newspapers as being bills to be presented. Hendrick then read a copy of a letter of December 4, 1956 from Paul Lenargie to Roy Mundy.

Hendrick asked if anyone had information on a bill Harold Petite was introducing regarding safety.

Hendrick said we will just have to watch this fencing matter and if any one introduces it we have to oppose it. Said had drafted three bills; 1. paying assessments by the State making it mandatory; 2. revision on bill on five acre requirement of directors which is being drafted by Kermit Rudolf; 3. high way right of way.

Sterling said an article in the paper here said Roy Mundy was prepared to submit a bill on highway right of way.

Hendrick said what we would like to do is draft our own bill if Jensen has not submitted a final report and no legislators are drafting a bill on highway rights of way.

There was considerable discussion on the subject of a highway right of way bill.

Hendrick felt those bills would bear more weight if introduced by Roy Mundy as Chairman of Irrigation Committee. Sterling asked if we might get with Mundy and Clark to introduce the bills jointly.
It was agreed by the Board Members present that the expenses of anyone who has to go to Olympia to appear regarding any of these bills will be paid by the Association.

Sterling brought up the matter of payments being made to the State Association by Ross and Kittitas Irrigation Districts for the purpose of being paid in turn to the Pacific Northwest Irrigation Account League. Sterling then moved that the Association contribute the $400.00 thus obtained to the Pacific Northwest Irrigation Account League. Motion seconded by Eidsmiller and carried.

Hendricks said he would try to obtain copy of draft of proposed water policy.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

M. C. CRANDALL, Secretary

The program was presented as planned with a copy being attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

In addition to the talks scheduled, Mr. H. E. Alexander gave an extemporaneous talk on the proposed Bumpsing Lake Enlargement at the request of President McDaniels.

An appointment of the nominating committee and auditing committee was made by President McDaniels as follows:

Nominating Committee:  Van E. Nutley
                        Harold J. Eidekiller
                        David F. Brown
                        Gale L. Sterling
                        Chris Larsen

Auditing Committee:    Wm. L. Meadlis
                        Ernest Hager
                        Ross Morris

Motions carried and resolutions adopted at the meeting were as follows:

Kermit M. Rudolf moved the Association favor amendement of Section 87.01.090 by deleting therefrom the last two lines which read "Or more than fifty percent of the owners of lands in the district subject to assessment having individual ownerships of less than five acres." The motion was seconded and duly carried.

The Auditing Committee reported favorably on the condition of the Treasurer's records and moved for approval of the audit. Motion seconded and duly carried.

Van E. Nutley announced the recommendation of the Nominating Committee and the motion was made, seconded and carried that the recommendation of the Nominating Committee be accepted and the Secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for the following:

President, one year - Keith J. McDaniels
Vice Pres. " " - Richard W. Hendrick
Vice Pres. " " - Lloyd Berry
Director Division 1 - Kermit M. Rudolf
Director Division 4 - David F. Brown
Director At Large - Harold J. Eidekiller
Director At Large - Clifford Kall
Director At Large - Ralph Overbay
Van E. Santony moved that President McDaniel's expenses necessary and actual be paid to the National Reclamation Association Convention at Houston, Texas. Motion was seconded and duly carried.

Kermit M. Rudolf's motion, tabled earlier in the day for action at the evening dinner meeting, was acted upon favorably by carrying the motion which was as follows: "Kermit M. Rudolf moved the Legislative Committee be instructed to study the matter and report to the Board and if determined by the Board that legislation be sponsored to provide for optional director divisions in districts of all sizes that member districts be polled to determine if such legislation should be presented to the 1959 legislature."

RESOLUTION NO. 1.

RESOLVED: That this Association supports the efforts of its representatives on the joint committee of Water Resources Legislation composed of representatives from the Washington State Reclamation Association and the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts.

That this Association believes that the proper approach to the problem of Water Resources Legislation is a study and amendment of existing laws rather than the superimposition of a board or commission to administer water resources without regard to such laws, and further believes that the problem is of such magnitude that no legislation should be introduced in or enacted by the 1959 Legislature or until such time as a proper study has been made.

That this Association favors a positive approach to the entire subject of water resources and recommends that said joint committee continue its efforts to improve water resources legislation by reviewing and amending, to the extent necessary, existing laws pertaining thereto.

RESOLUTION NO. 2.

RESOLVED: That this Association request that the Legislative Committee draft legislation concerning Highway Rights of Way through Irrigation Districts to be presented to the 1959 session of Legislature.

RESOLUTION NO. 3.

RESOLVED: That this Association request that the Legislative Committee draft legislation providing for payment of Irrigation District assessments by the State on an annual basis to be presented to the 1959 session of Legislature.

H. E. Alexander moved we go on record as being opposed to business and Occupation tax on farm products. Seconded and duly carried.

Wm. L. McAnlis moved this Association go on record of approving the basin account principle and of the principle that all projects, regardless of their age, be treated equally. Motion duly seconded and carried.

On motion of Wm. L. McAnlis the meeting was declared adjourned.

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Program

Friday, October 31, 1958

Keith J. McDaniels, Presiding

10:00 A.M. Registration—Fee $1.00

10:15 A.M. President's Report
KEITH J. McDANIELS, President, State Association, Manager, Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District and Board of Control, Sunnyside Division.

Secretary-Treasurer’s Report
MALCOLM J. CRAWFORD, Secretary-Treasurer, State Association, Manager, Secretary, Yakima-Tieton Irrigation District.

Appointment of Nominating and Auditing Committees
KEITH J. McDANIELS

Water Quality and Quantity Control
DAVID P. BROWN, Secretary-Manager, Okanogan Irrigation District.

Highway Right-of-Way Problems
H. E. ALEXANDER, Director, Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District, and Board of Control, Sunnyside Division.

Questions and Statements from the Floor on Foregoing Topics

12:00 Noon Luncheon at Arrow Grill, 213 W. Kennewick Ave. ($1.25)
A general "bull" session under the direction of VAN E. NUTLEY, Secretary-Manager of Kennewick Irrigation District, will be held during the lunch period. Bring your questions on any topics you want to have discussed at this time.

1:45 P.M. Proposed Water Resource Policy
PAUL LeMARGIE, Field Solicitor, U.S. Department of Interior, Ephrata.

Proposed Additional State Regulation of Irrigation Districts
CECIL C. CLARK, President, Washington State Reclamation Association, Representative, State Legislature, 16th District.

Recess

Report and Recommendations of Legislative Committee and Discussion From the Floor
R. W. HENDRICK, Chairman, Legislative Committee; Vice President, State Association; Member Columbia Basin Commission.

Report of Nominating Committee and Election of Officers

6:15 P.M. Dinner at Owl Cafe, 2514 W. Kennewick Ave. ($2.50)

What the Columbia Basin Commission Can Do for the Irrigation Districts of the State
JOHN A. RICHARDSON, Secretary, Columbia Basin Commission; State Supervisor of Reclamation.

Action on Recommendations of Legislative Committee
STATE ASSOCIATION OF
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS
SOUND IRRIGATION PROGRAMS PROMOTE PROSPERITY

OBJECTIVES:
1—To Promote The Interests Of irrigated Farming
2—To Improve The Operation Of Irrigation Districts Of The State
3—To Act As A Clearing House For Irrigation Districts

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT
October 1, 1957 to September 30, 1958

CASH BALANCE - SEPTEMBER 30, 1957

RECEIPTS:
1957 ANNUAL MEETING .................................................. $ 39.00
MEMBERSHIP DUES .......................................................... 1,842.50
TOTAL RECEIPTS ........................................................... 1,881.50

$ 5,038.71

DISBURSEMENTS:
SECRETARY'S SALARY .................................................... $ 780.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES, TELEPHONE & MISCELLANEOUS .......... 283.82
1957 ANNUAL MEETING .................................................... 40.42
TRAVEL EXPENSE .......................................................... 235.87
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS ................................................... $ 1,340.11

CASH BALANCE - SEPTEMBER 30, 1958

$ 5,038.71

M. J. Crawford, Secy-Treasurer

APPROVED:
Owen L. McCulloch

Auditing Committee
Minutes of Board of Directors' meeting held immediately following
the Thirteenth Annual Meeting of the Association.

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 P.M. by President Keith J.
McDaniels.

It was moved by Harold J. Sidemiller that M. J. Crawford continue
as Secretary-Treasurer of the Association for another year with the
motion being seconded by F. E. Alexander and duly carried.

Van E. Hutley then moved that the same arrangements for salary and
expenses of the Secretary be carried on this coming year as has been in
effect the past year. Motion carried.

Legislative Committee Members were reappointed by President
McDaniels as they have been the past year with the exception that Van E.
Hutley is to replace Claude Zediker.

On motion of R. W. Hendrick the meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

M. J. CRAWFORD, Secretary
OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS
1953-1959

PRESIDENT: KEITH J. MCDANIELS, Box 239 Sunnyside, Washington
Manager, Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District

VICE PRESIDENTS: R. W. HENDRICK, Omak, Washington
Director, Okanogan Irrigation District

LLOYD HENRY, Cashmere, Washington
Manager, Icicle Irrigation District

DIRECTORS:
DIVISION 1

2 H. M. RUDOLF, 1101 Old Nat'l, Bank Bldg., Spokane, Wash.
Secretary, Bacon Tracts, East Farms, Groveacres, Model,
Othello Orchards, Spokane Valley, West Farms Irrigation District

3 G. L. STERLING, Box 209, Ellensburg, Washington
Secretary-Manager, Kittitas Reclamation District

4 DAVID P. BROWN, Omak, Washington
Secretary-Manager, Omak Irrigation District

5 CHRIS LARSEN, Nelson Creek, Washington
Director, East Columbia Basin Irrigation District

AT LARGE:

2 ROGERS R. NEFF, Box 612, Pasco, Wash.
Director, South Columbia Basin Irrigation District

3 H. E. ALEXANDER, Granger, Washington
Director, Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District

4 CLIFFORD KAIL, 20th North 85th Ave., Yakima, Washington
Formerly Secretary-Manager, Yakima-Tieton Irrigation District

5 KEITH J. RYDELL, Rt. 6, Box 1066, Pasco, Washington
Secretary, South Columbia Basin Irrigation District

FALL B. MULLEY, Box 615, Kennewick, Washington
Secretary-Manager, Kennewick Irrigation District

RALPH OVERBAY, Manson, Washington
Director, Lake Chelan Irrigation District

SECRETARY-TREASURER: MALCOLM J. CRAWFORD, Rt. 6, Box 193, Yakima, Washington
Manager-Secretary, Yakima-Tieton Irrigation District

DIRECTOR DIVISIONS:
1- PEND ORIELLE, SPOKANE, STEVENS, WHITMAN
2- ASOTIN, COLUMBIA, GARFIELD, WALLA WALLA
3- BENTON, KITTITAS, Klickitat, YAKIMA
4- CHelan, FERRY, CHelan
5- ADAMS, DOUGLAS, GRANT, LINCOLN, FRANKLIN

AT LARGE - FORMER DISTRICT 6 WHICH INCLUDED

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE:
R. W. HENDRICK, CHAIRMAN, OMAK
W. L. MCALMIS, OTHELLO
K. M. RUDOLF, SPOKANE
VAN B. MULLEY, KENNEWICK
PAUL LAMARQUE, EPHRATA
A. B. MACHELVEJ, ZILLAH

ALL OTHER COUNTIES OF THE STATE WAS
PLACED UNDER DIRECTOR AT LARGE AT THE
ANNUAL MEETING HELD OCT. 25 & 26, 1957.
STATE ASSOCIATION
OF
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Minutes of joint meeting with Board of Directors and Legislative
Committee members of the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts
and members of State Highway Department, held June 15, 1959 in the office of
Paul Lemurgie at Ephrata, Washington, 1:30 p.m.

Board and Committee members in attendance were:

Keith J. Mc Daniels  Van B. Halley
R. W. Hendrick      Ralph Overbay
Kermit M. Redolf    Wm. L. McAnlis
J. L. Sterling      Paul Lemurgie
David P. Brown      A. D. Mackelvie
Chris Larsen        M. J. Crawford
Clifford Hall

Others in attendance were:

John A. Richardson - Dept. of Conservation - Olympia
R. E. Allison      - Columbia Basin Commission - Ephrata
Ernest Myers      - Sunnyside Valley I. B. - Sunnyside
G. E. Weilborn    - Lake Chelan Reclamation Dist. - Manson
Mark Richards     - Department of Highways - Olympia
H. E. Schussler   - Department of Highways - Olympia
Edw. J. Lewis     - Attorney General's Office - Olympia
Vera Arnold       - Department of Highways - Olympia

President Keith Mc Daniels called on Mr. Schussler to introduce the
people from Olympia.

Mr. Arnold said he was wondering what our thinking was on the
interpretation of the Right of Way law.

Sterling said Mr. Schussler had asked only for information on costs
of construction on land in the Kittitas Project being taken over for irrigation
by right of way and nothing was said about O. & M. costs.

Arnold felt that capitalizing it into perpetuity was a pretty stiff
penalty.

Overbay gave example of flooding part of their land. Also stated that
when the D. U. C. took over from Washington Water & Power they continued to pay
O. & M.

Mc Daniels expressed the opinion that each case would have to be settled
by a separate agreement.

Mackelvie stated he could not see why the Highway Department objected
to paying O. & M. each year on land taken out of project use.

Schussler - that is not the way the bill was written.

Lewis - how did the districts intend to determine how the increased
costs could be figured out?
Auld - as the bill now reads it is a problem of determining the annual increase in C. & H. costs.

Hunsler - the problem is in paying.

Arnold - we are not going to be able to go ahead with a lot of the highways that have been programmed for the next 12 months.

Hendrick - we can let the irrigation districts pay costs of these highways.

Level - can only pay for highway benefits.

Lansing - are you thinking of challenging the act on the basis that it is unconstitutional?

Level - attorney general's office is not considering challenging the act but someone will undoubtedly challenge it.

Sterling - highway right of way is expected to take about 1,200 acres out of the Vitkoos project.

Hendrick - we have previously tried to work out a solution to this problem in the past without any success.

Muir - not until the Washington State College made out their report did we get any heart.

Level - do the L. I. D. assessments include anything for retirement of bonds?

Arnold - I think what we should do is live with it awhile and see what happens.

The people representing the Highway Department left at this time which was 2:10 p.m.

President McCulloch brought up the subject of wage and hour law.

Muir said some district might get one of its employees to enter suit in their own county.

Lansing said in cases of this kind you have to pay both sides of the law suit.

Mackelvie moved this matter be tabled until our next annual meeting.

Sterling said he did not like tabling the matter but felt we ought to all act the same way on this thing. If tabled every district will take different action on it.

Lansing suggested getting a brief on the law prepared by some attorney.

Muir said the Kamezick Irrigation District specifies the hours to be worked and then keep track of additional hours above the forty hours but do not intend to pay for the extra time.

Mackelvie withdrew his motion.
Sterling moved, Dave Brown seconded and the motion carried that
Kermit M. Rudolf be retained to prepare a brief for presentation to the Department
of Labor and Industries to determine whether or not Irrigation Districts would be
considered agricultural and to present to the Director of the Department citations
supporting this opinion thru the Association.

President McDaniel's asked for a definite time and place for our next
annual meeting.

Dave Brown moved the annual meeting next be held November 13 at
Sunnyside, Washington. Motion passed following a second by Cliff Kail.

Hendrick presented expense bill from the Legislative Committee totaling
$27.74 and moved for payment. Motion seconded by Kail and carried.

Lamarr's brought up objection of Roy Hardy regarding activity on bills
he had presented for the Association. Group said they'd been considerable
individual effort.

Sterling suggested President McDaniel's be given authority to appoint
a committee to work on the annual meeting program.

Rudolf related a case pertaining to a person who had claimed being out
of water some six years previous which resulted in crop loss. Rudolf said he
felt some period of limitation should be set up. This problem has come up before
and the trouble has been that no one could agree on the time limit.

Hendrick said 4 or 5 years ago he was appointed to a committee on
state agronomy Board at State College and he still gets literature but had never
attended meetings. Also said he was resigning from the appointment. Sterling
and Brown both said the matter was the President of the association. Kail said
he had attended one of these meetings years ago. It seemed to be a cut and dried
program with considerable political activity at one of these meetings.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

[Signature]

P. C. SHAWCROSS, Secretary
Minutes of special meeting of Board of Directors, State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts held July 9, 1959, 6:00 p.m. in the Chinook Hotel, Yakima, Washington.

In attendance were:

Keith J. McDaniels
Bruce Meyers
Gale L. Sterling
Clifford Kail
Van L. Matley
Henry J. Alexander
Lloyd Berry
Malcolm J. Crawford

This was a dinner meeting and was called for the special purpose of recommending a man to represent the Association on a 15-man Water Resources Advisory Committee to the Legislative Subcommittee on Natural Resources. This opportunity to be represented on this advisory group, or rather to recommend someone to represent our Association was given by a letter from Robert A. Seiber, Counsel for the Legislative Council, dated July 3, 1959.

The meeting was called to order by President Keith J. McDaniels following which it was decided to have Mr. Seiber call Paul Lemarge to see if he would be willing to accept the recommendation for membership on this 15-man committee. McDaniels tried making the phone call but could not reach Lemarge.

Crawford then suggested Van L. Matley for consideration. Kail said he felt Gale Sterling's experience would qualify him for the job.

Matley moved Lemarge be recommended by the Association for membership on this 15-man advisory committee if he is willing and able to accept. Kail seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

Kail moved that if Lemarge does not accept the call that the Secretary be instructed to mail cards to each board member of the State Association asking them to state their choice between Matley and Sterling. Motion seconded by Berry and carried.

President McDaniels asked if we want to continue the Joint Committee to work with the Washington State Reclamation Association? Sterling said he thought this should be decided on after McDaniels discusses the matter with Cecil Clark.

The Wage & Hour law was discussed and Crawford reported on a letter Ted Nastrom quoted from Hallowell on his interpretation of Irrigation Districts as agricultural labor.

Sterling gave a reference to the National Wage and Hour Act which excludes Irrigation Districts from provisions of the Act.

Alexander brought up the question of sending President McDaniels to the next National Reclamation Association Convention. Following this it was moved by Sterling that President McDaniels be authorized to attend the M. R. A. convention at the expense of the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts. Motion seconded by Alexander and carried.

Adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

M. J. Crawford, Secretary
STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Proceedings of the Fourteenth Annual Meeting of the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts held November 13, 1959 in the Masonic Temple at Sunnyside Wash.

ATTENDANCE

Dave Brown
Stanley Holt
Malcolm J. Crawford
Clifford Reel
Donald M. Storlie
Keith McDaniels
Elmer McDaniels
Wm. L. Muñoz
John A. Richardson
Wm. Mills
C. A. Tisseell
W. B. Dowdy
C. O. Matson
Donald W. Stock
Harold J. Eldemillor
E. R. Neal
Van C. Futley
Neil Stepon
A. D. MacKeivie
W. W. Hendrick
Paul Lemargie
Hubert M. Topper
Rosedell Hoppe
Orvell L. Terril
Eldon L. Thomas
Larry Matthews
Wm. J. Moore
Paul A. Kyner
Emmett L. Rhines
George McNew
E. J. Doncaster
John A. Westland
W. A. Sloan
Chris Larsen,
M. E. Alexander
Ernest Nager
Wm. S. Barnard
O. W. Lindgren
R. E. Rudolph
Walter L. Peterson, Jr.
Arnold C. Koenig
S. E. Holden
C. F. Whilhorn
C. L. Sterling
Harvey Talbert
Curtis J. Fallon
Orville Farlington

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Brewster, Wash.
Box 239 Sunnyside, Wash.
Rt. 2, Sunnyside, Wash.
Box 1137, Othello, Wash.
335 Gen. Adm. Bldg., Olympia
1201 East 6th St., Kennewick, Wash.
Box 8, Selah, Wash.
Rt. 1, Selah Wash.
Box 18, Selah, Wash.
Box 2, Selah, Wash.
Box 8, Selah, Wash.
Box 1005, Pasco, Wash.
604 W. 6th St., Ephrata, Wash.
Box 675, Kennewick, Wash.
Rt. 1, Quincy, Wash.
Shelley, Wash.
Omak, Wash.
Ephrata, Wash.
610 Columbia Ave., Sunnyside
225 S. Waverly, Kennewick Wash.
1229 W. 9th, Kennewick, Wash.
P. O. Box 65, Greencove, Wash.
305-1517 Ave., Yakima, Wash.
1609 S. Baldwin, Spokane, Wash.
Box 381 Cashmere, Wash.
6 N. Mission St., Wenatchee, Wash.
1032 Kittitas St., Wenatchee, Wash.
Box 140 Sunnyside, Wash.
Box 125, Kennewick, Wash.
Box 225, Kennewick, Wash.
Wilson Creek Wash.
Rt. 1, Granger, Wash.
721 So 7th St., Sunnyside, Wash.
Rt. 1, Sunnyside, Wash.
Box 1777, Yakima, Wash.
1010 Old Natl. Bank, Spokane, Wash.
8516 E. Sprague, Spokane, Wn.
Manson, Wash.
Manson, Wash.
Manson, Wash.
Box 205, Ellensburg, Wash.
White Salmon, Wash.
Star Route, Naches, Wash.
Outlook, Wash.

REPRESENTING

Okanogan Irrigation Dist.
Director Okanogan Irrig. Dist.
Yakima-Tieton Irrig. Dist.

Brewer's Flat Irrig. Dist.
Sunnyside Valley Irrig. Dist.
Sunnyside Valley Irrig. Dist.
Dust Col. Basin Irrig. Dist.
State Dept. of Conservation
Dir. Kennewick Irrig. Dist.
Sec. Naches Irrig. Dist.
Dir. Naches Irrig. Dist.
Sec. Col. Irrig. Dist.
U. S. Bureau of Reclamation
Kennewick, Irrig. Dist.
Quincy-Columbia Basin Irrig. Dist.
Sunnyside Valley Irrig. Dist.
Okanogan Irrig. Dist.
Dept. of Interior

Shipes Mt. Irrig. Dist.
Kennewick Irrig. Dist.
Kennewick Irrig. Dist.
Spokane Valley Irrig. Dist.
Portland Cement Assn.
Wenatchee Reclamation Dist.
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U. S. Bureau of Reclamation
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Verdi Irrigation Dist.
Lake Chelan Recl. Dist.
Lake Chelan Recl. Dist.
Lake Chelan Recl. Dist.
Kittitas Recl. Dist.
White Salmon Irrig. Dist.
State Examiner

Outlook Irrigation Dist.

Total Attendance = 147
The program was presented as planned with the exception that R. W. Hendrick substituted for Lloyd Berry in conducting the afternoon session and Curtis Fallon, State Examiner, substituted for A. E. Hankins in presenting a talk on Accounting and Auditing at the same session. A copy of the program as carried out is attached hereto and made a part of these proceedings.

President Keith J. McDaniels called the meeting to order at 10:15 A.M., and asked for a reading of the minutes of the previous Annual Meeting which were approved as read. The Treasurer's yearly report was also read and the original is attached hereto and made a part of these proceedings.

President McDaniels then appointed the following committees:

Nominating Committee:  
David F. Brown  
Kermit M. Rudolf  
Van E. Nutley  
Gale L. Sterling  
Wm. L. McAnlis

Auditing Committee:  
Harold J. Eidenmiller  
Ernest Hager  
Don Doncaster

In reporting as Chairman of the Legislative Committee, R. W. Hendrick stated that the Highway bill (H.B. 53) was one of the most important pieces of legislation passed but there is still the problem of getting the Highway Department to carry out the terms of the law. H.B. 267 relating to fencing was also passed and this places the burden directly on the ones who want fencing done.

Mr. Hendrick said the following bills had died in Senate Rules Committee:  H.B. 32 regarding qualifications of voters; H.B. 200 to simplify payment of assessments on State land in an irrigation district; H.B. 462 providing for absentee voting.

The Legislative Committee will work more on these in the future. He then presented several topics for future legislative consideration which are enumerated below with action taken by the group following each topic:

1. Old H.B. 200 stipulating method of payment of assessment on State Lands - moved, seconded and carried that we continue to attempt passage of this legislation.

2. Old H.B. 32 regarding qualifications of voters - motion made and carried to continue work on amendment to this law and include clarification of voting rights.

3. Exact permissive legislation on setting up director divisions on less than 200,000 acres. Present objection is that all directors can be from one small area - motion made and carried to authorize work on this.

4. Seven directors for districts of 200,000 acres or more aught to be permissive - group approved this.

5. Voting by absentee ballots - OK'd by group.
6. Require nomination of director to be given by 15 day notice; do away with sticker or write-in candidates; in event of only one person being nominated for director allow his being declared elected without holding an election - approved by the group.

7. Permit voting place to be outside the district where more convenient to the voters - no action by group.

8. Require voter registration for eligibility to vote - group approved this.

9. Permissive legislation whereby a district could handle its own finances without involving County Treasurer and County Auditor - group suggested further study before any legislation is proposed.

10. Request legal opinion on and enumeration of items money can be spent for by districts - a definite NO to this.

11. Increase pay of directors - no objections.

12. Filing of damage claims to have certain requirements as to time limit, to be in writing, etc. - full approval of group.

It was moved by Kermit W. Rudolf, seconded by A. D. Mackelvie and duly carried that the following resolution be adopted and the secretary furnish copies to the State Highway Commission and the Attorney General:

**RESOLUTION**

RESOLVED: That this Association considers that the State Highway Department should comply forthwith, in all pending cases, with the provisions of Chapter 303, Laws of 1959, pertaining to the acquisition of lands in irrigation districts;

That this Association oppose any effort by the State Highway Department to avoid making the payments required by said Chapter 303;

That this Association considers that any attack by the State Highway Department on said Chapter 303 on constitutional or other grounds would be improper in a condemnation proceeding;

That in the event legal proceedings are commenced by the State Highway Department in which said Chapter 303 is attacked, this Association, by amicus curiae representation, should support said legislation and the obligation of the State Highway Department to make the payments required thereunder.

A. D. Mackelvie moved the Association send a letter of regrets to Lloyd Berry. The motion was seconded by Wm. L. McAnlis and carried.

Dave Brown moved that a vote of thanks be given the Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District for all the fine work they have done in making this meeting a success. Motion seconded by Wm. L. McAnlis and carried.
Reporting as Chairman for the Auditing Committee, Harold J. Eide miller said
the Committee members had examined the Treasurers records and financial report
and could find no errors and accordingly moved the Treasurer's report be
accepted. "Motion carried."

David P. Brown, as Chairman of the Nominating Committee, said his Committee
had the following recommendations to make for officers and directors of the
association:

President = Richard W. Hendrick
Vice President = Henry E. Alexander
Vice President = Wm. L. McAnlis
Director Division 5 = Chris Larsen
Director At Large = Harold J. Eide miller
Director At Large = Keith J. McDaniels

It was moved by Eldon Thomas, seconded by A. D. Mackolvie and duly carried that
the recommendations of the Nominating Committee be accepted.

Keith J. McDaniels gave a brief report of his trip to the N.R.A. Convention
and then expressed appreciation for the experience gained during his term of
office as President of the association. He closed by advising a careful watch
over irrigation district water rights and the proposed wilderness bill.

At the evening dinner session Gale L. Sterling moved that this group go on
record as reaffirming its stand in approving the Basin Account Principle as
recorded in the minutes of the previous Annual Meeting. The motion was seconded
by Henry E. Alexander and carried.

Sterling also moved that this Association contribute $100 as a membership fee
in the Washington State Reclamation Association. Motion duly carried following
a second by Henry E. Alexander.

In order to clear the record regarding nomination of officers and directors
it was moved by Karmit A. Rudolf that the Secretary be instructed to cast a
unanimous ballot for the officers and directors recommended by the Nominating
Committee. Motion was seconded by Paul Lemargie and properly carried.

There being no further business it was moved by Rudolf, seconded by Sterling
and carried that the meeting be declared adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

[Signature]
J. CRAWFORD, Secretary
STATE ASSOCIATION OF
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS
SOUND IRRIGATION PROGRAMS PROMOTE PROSPERITY

OBJECTIVES:
1—To Promote The Interests Of Irrigated Farming
2—To Improve The Operation Of Irrigation Districts Of The State
3—To Act As A Clearing House On Information For Irrigation Districts

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT

October 1, 1958 to September 30, 1959

CASH BALANCE — SEPTEMBER 30, 1958 .......... $ 3,696.60

RECEIPTS:
1958 Annual Meeting Registration ........ $ 40.00
Membership Dues .................................. 1,605.00
Special contribution for Pacific N. W. Account League .......... 400.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS .................................. 2,345.00

$ 5,943.60

DISBURSEMENTS:
Secretary's Salary ................................ $ 960.00
Office Supplies, Telephone & Misc. ........ 176.49
Travel Expense .................................. 431.91
Pacific N. W. Irr. Account League .......... 400.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS ......................... $ 1,918.40

CASH BALANCE — SEPTEMBER 30, 1959 ........ 4,025.20

$ 5,943.60

APPROVED:

[Signatures]

W. J. Crawford, Secy. Treasurer

Auditing Committee
Irrigation Districts which are contributing members for the year 1959 to the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts:

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47 Districts: 1,121,320
Program

Friday, November 13, 1959

Keith J. McDaniels, Presiding

10:00 A.M. Registration

10:15 A.M. President's Report

KEITH J. McDANIELS, President, State Association; Manager, Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District and Board of Control, Sunnyside Division.

Secretary-Treasurer’s Report

MALCOLM J. CRAWFORD, Secretary-Treasurer, State Association; Manager-Secretary, Yakima-Tieton Irrigation District.

Appointment of Nominating and Auditing Committees

KEITH J. McDANIELS.

Report On Results of Highway Legislation

GALE STERLING, Director State Association; Secretary-Manager, Kittitas Reclamation District; President, Washington State Reclamation Association.

State Water Policies

PAUL LEMARGIE, Legislative Committee Member of State Association; Field Solicitor, U. S. Department of the Interior; Member State Water Resources Advisory Committee.

Questions and Statements from the Floor on Forgoing Topics.

12:00 Noon Luncheon at Planter's Hotel, 6th & Decatur ($1.50)

1:30 P.M. Lloyd Berry, Conducting
Vice-President State Association; Manager, Iclele Irrigation District.

Accounting and Auditing


By-Laws for Irrigation Districts

H. E. ALEXANDER, Director, Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District and Board of Control, Sunnyside Division.

Questions and Statements from the Floor on the Forgoing Topics.

Recess.

Report and Recommendations of Legislative Committee and Discussion and Action From the Floor.

R. W. HENDRICK, Chairman, Legislative Committee; Vice-President, State Association; Member Columbia Basin Commission.

Report of Auditing Committee.

Report of Nominating Committee and Election of Officers.

6:00 P.M. Dinner at Planter's Hotel, 6th & Decatur ($2.60)

A general “Bull” session under the direction of Harold J. Eidemiller, Secretary-Manager, South Columbia Basin Irrigation District, will be held during the dinner period. Bring your questions on any topics you want to have discussed at this time.
Minutes of a meeting of the Board of Directors, State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts, immediately following the evening dinner meeting of the Fourteenth Annual Meeting of the Association on November 19, 1959.

The meeting was called to order by our new Association President, Richard W. Hendrick.

There was a brief discussion regarding the appointment of Secretary-Treasurer of the Association following which Keith McDaniels moved that M. J. Crawford continue as Secretary-Treasurer until the next meeting of the Board of Directors. Motion was seconded by Harold J. Eidemiller and carried.

President Hendrick then appointed Legislative Committee members as follows:

Chairman - Van E. Nutley
Member - Wm. L. McAnlis
" - Kermit M. Rudolf
" - Harold J. Eidemiller
" - Don Stock
Advisory Member - Paul Lemargie

Cale Sterling suggested the Board might want to consider replacing Roger R. Neff, who has not been attending any of the board meetings, and be ready to take some action at the next board meeting.

It was moved by Cale Sterling that legislative material be channeled thru the Association Secretary but the motion died for lack of a second.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

[Signature]

M. J. Crawford, Secretary
STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

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1959-1960

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KEITH J. MCDANIELS, Box 239, Sunnyside, Washington
Manager, Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District

SECY-TREASURER: To be appointed

DIRECTOR DIVISIONS:

1. PEND ORIELLE, SPOKANE, STEVENS, WHITMAN
2. ASOTIN, COLUMBIA, GARFIELD, WALLA WALLA
3. BENTON, KITTITAS, Klickitat, Yakima
4. CHelan, Ferry, Okanogan
5. ADAMS, DOUGLAS, GRANT, LINCOLN, FRANKLIN
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As of 1-15-60