STATE ASSOCIATION OF
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Director's Meeting

Ephrata, WA
February 28, 1974
10:00 a.m.

The following persons attended the meeting:

Eldon L. Thomas
President

Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary

Board Members:

Ervin Easterday
Dick Hendrick
Ross A. Heminger
Hank Vancik
Mel Stepon
Ed Armbruster
George O'Brien

Committee Members:

Paul L. House
Roy Orr
Paul Lemarge
Van E. Nutley

Other present were:

Dale Grubb, Kenneth L. Buzard and John McCroskey from Wenatchee Heights Reclamation District and Lowell Felt from the Oroville-Tonasket Irrigation District.

Van Nutley reported on legislative matters. His report is attached hereto.

Dale Grubb, Kenneth L. Buzard and John McCroskey came to the meeting from the Wenatchee Heights Reclamation District regarding the problem of the 1973 Director election in that district. Ed Armbruster had been instructed to visit with the Board members, Representative Bob Curtis and Mr. Glen Peffley concerning the problem created by the alleged conduct of the election as stated in letters received from Mr. Peffley. Mr. Armbruster reported that he had discussed the problem with all concerned. Although Rep. Curtis had drafted legislation at the request of Mr. Peffley which would have resulted in removing the ownership provision from the elector requirements of irrigation law, Mr. Armbruster reported that Rep. Curtis would not introduce the legislation nor support it if it were introduced. Mr. Peffley did not attend the meeting although he had been invited by Mr. Thomas and Mr. Armbruster. Letter received from Representative Curtis is attached to the minutes.

The matter of the new Title 87 and Title 89, RCW, which is being prepared for printing was discussed. It was moved by Stepon, seconded by Orr and carried that the book be in loose leaf form.

It was moved by Armbruster, seconded by Hendrick and carried that 1,000 copies be purchased and that all districts in the state receive two copies, and that the members of the Association receive a sufficient number so that each manager, attorney and board member could have a copy.
It was moved by Nutley, seconded by Hendrick and carried that the Association write a letter in support of the survey being made by the Department of Ecology which may be copied by that department and mailed to the irrigation districts prior to the taking of the survey.

It was moved by Hendrick, seconded by Stepon and carried that the minutes of the meeting of December 20, 1973 be approved as written.

It was moved by Easterday, seconded by Orr and carried that the Association again send $100 for a corporate membership to the Canadian Water Resources Association.

Those present requested that President Thomas write a letter to the irrigation districts which could accompany the new RCW when it is sent out in which it will be stated that the districts may donate the cost of the book if they so desire.

It was decided that there would be a meeting of the Association on Friday, April 5th at 10:00 a.m. in Paul Lemargie's office.

There followed considerable discussion of EPA point discharge requirements.

It was also reported that there would be DOE hearings on 208, PL 92500, in Yakima on March 18 at the PP&L and in Richland on March 20.

There was considerable discussion and much concern over the closing of the office of the Field Solicitor on June 30, 1974. It was moved by Easterday, seconded by Vancik and carried that Van Nutley be sent to Washington D.C. to see Commissioner Stamm regarding the matter, that the State Association pay the expense of the trip and hope that the Irrigation Districts will help in the financing.

Meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

[Signature]
Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary
Feb 28, 1974

1. Edly L. Thomas
2. Jack McNeely
3. Kenneth D. Begin
4. Jack Hubb
5. Roy Duv
6. Ernie Eastdog
7. Van B. McDowell
8. Ed Christiansen
9. Dick Hendrick
10. Lowell Felt
11. Rosebird Rusty
12. Mel Styron
13. Paul Lemarie
14. Ross A. Heininger
15. Roy E. House
16. Geo O'Brien
17. Hank Vencik

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In one regular and three Extraordinary Sessions the 73rd Washington Legislature has introduced thirty one hundred fifty eight (3,158) pieces of legislation. Of these about thirty are of special interest to irrigation people. Three of these thirty bills passed the legislature and one was vetoed by Governor Evans:

HB 69 repealed the reclamation fund tax levy which had not been assessed for about fifty years. Becomes c 40 L 73 E.

HB 455 legalized irrigation district construction of sewer lines and facilities. Becomes c 74 L 73.

SB 3023 allowing private water systems of up to 50 cfs to be built without an environmental statement was vetoed by the Governor.

Proposed legislation regarding public employees bargaining rights, retirement, unfair labor practices, etc., is stalled somewhere in the legislative process. Bills or resolutions concerning investigation of conglomerate type farming and large corporation farming are still in committee as are bills regarding use of hot-reactor water for irrigation purposes. Still in committee is a bill for state financing through bonding of irrigation construction and rehabilitation.

The State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts sponsored a bill to include directors in district health and accident insurance (HB 1337) which reached the House rules committee after being introduced in the third extra session. Time ran out.

SB 2627 which allows irrigation districts to handle surplus electric energy is still in the House Transportation and Utilities Committee.

An election dispute in a six hundred fifty acre irrigation district in the Wenatchee area has resulted in the drafting of a bill to eliminate ownership as a prerequisite for voting in irrigation districts. It is felt that the passage of such legislation would not only be most unfortunate for operating districts but that it might cripple irrigation districts ability to play a prominent role in extending projects in our state. Every effort is being made to keep the bill from being introduced and, if introduced, it will be opposed wherever possible.

Van E. Nutley, Legislative & Liaison Officer
February 25, 1974

Ms. Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary
Washington Irrigation Districts
1252 N. Perry Loop
Kennewick, WA 99336

Dear Ms. Nutley:

Thank you for your letter of February 19th concerning the meeting to be held February 28th in Ephrata. Due to a prior commitment I will be unable to attend this meeting.

I think a word of explanation and some history of my involvement in this matter might be in order: Mr. Glen Peffley talked to me in my office in Wenatchee early in January of this year prior to the convening of the 1974 session. The jist of Mr. Peffley's concern was an alleged mishandling of a recent election for the Wenatchee Heights Reclamation District. He was concerned that the election and the handling of the ballots concerning one candidate who had filed and at least two write-in candidates had been mismanaged. When his attempts to arrive at some equitable solution through the normal county authorities, (county auditor and county prosecutor), were to no avail because of the nature of the law governing irrigation districts, Mr. Peffley sought my help. He felt it would be a good idea to take irrigation districts election law out from under the hands of the governing board of directors and put it instead into the hands of the normal election officer, the county auditor in each county. I advised him to consult further with the Chelan County Prosecuting Attorney and if, in the view of Mr. Whitmore, legislation was needed to correct this situation I would be pleased to have it drafted. In a subsequent call to my Olympia office, Mr. Peffley informed me that he had been unable to gain satisfaction from the Chelan County Prosecuting Attorney and a subsequent conversation between myself and Mr. Earl Miller, Chelan County Auditor, indicated that because of the unique nature of irrigation district law, such a concern as Mr. Peffley had voiced was indeed outside the purview of local county election officials.

I subsequently asked that the legislation which you now have in your possession be drafted in order to accomplish the goals which Mr. Peffley stated to me. Upon receiving a draft of the legislation I reviewed it and sent a copy to Mr. Peffley with a letter indicating that while this would accomplish what he stated he wanted to do, I was not certain that after an opportunity to review it he would not change his mind.
because indeed the only way to put the election of irrigation district officials under the jurisdiction of the county auditor is to in effect disenfranchise irrigation district land owners who now may vote and allow only those registered voters living within a district to cast their ballots. I have asked Mr. Peffley if this was not indeed contrary to what he wanted to do and stated for this reason I had not introduced the legislation and now found myself beyond the cutoff point for the introduction of new bills. Subsequent correspondence with Mr. Peffley indicated that he was in accord with this view but wanted to further share the proposed legislation with irrigation district officials such as yourselves.

Since having done this, I have had communication with several irrigation district officials including Mr. Dale Grubb, Chairman of the Board of the Wenatchee Heights Reclamation District, Mr. Ed Armbruster of Manson and Mr. John Baird of Ephrata. A review of the situation surrounding the Wenatchee Heights Reclamation District election with Mr. Grubb has satisfied me that the election was not mishandled and, while there certainly is a reason for Mr. Peffley's concern arising from the confusion over the handling of ballots, etc., I feel the board properly handled the matter. Even if the ballots in question had be allowed to be counted it apparently would not have changed the outcome of the election.

With that background I would like to state several things which I hope you would share with your board and the other people at the meeting in Ephrata:

1. This legislation has not been introduced.

2. I do not plan to introduce this legislation.

3. Should another legislator desire to introduce such legislation I would not plan to support the legislation since a review of it has not convinced me that it is in the best interest of the members of irrigation districts or even Mr. Peffley who voiced the original concern.

It does seem to me, however, that perhaps this entire matter, not just in this one area but if it arises in other irrigation districts throughout the state could be clarified by a more uniform manner of handling irrigation board elections, with a clear and simple ballot, with adequate provision for checking names of those individuals having filed for office, as well as ample opportunity to write in and indicate your preference for write-in candidates. Perhaps if you do not already have such a set of regulations governing irrigation district boards, your state association could address itself to a uniform set of regulations which would be of benefit to all districts in the state and would subsequently avoid the type of problem with which Mr. Peffley was confronted.

I hope this letter will clarify my position in this entire matter and as stated above that you will be kind enough to share its contents with the individuals attending the meeting in Ephrata on February the 28th.

Sincerely,

Bob Curtis
State Representative

cc: Mr. Glen Peffley
Mr. Dale Grubb
Mr. Ed Armbruster
Mr. John Baird
STATE ASSOCIATION OF
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Director's Meeting

Ephrata, WA
April 5, 1974
10:00 a.m.

The following persons attended the meeting:

Eldon L. Thomas  President  Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary
Gary W. Weston  V-President

Board Members:
Ervin G. Easterday
Elmer G. McDaniels
Dick Hendrick
Ross A. Heminger
Henry F. Vancik
Mel Stepon

Committee Members:
Roy J. Orr
Paul Lemargie

It was moved by Easterday, seconded by McDaniels and carried that the minutes of the meeting of February 28, 1974 be approved.

As there had been no further information concerning the election situation in the Wenatchee Heights Reclamation District, it was determined that the matter had been closed.

Paul Lemargie reported that his office will not be closed until June 30, 1975 and that he will continue to be available for help to irrigation districts until that time at his present location. There was considerable discussion concerning all of the problems met and overcome in making this possible.

The members discussed the problem of natural or artificially stored ground waters. As the Department of Ecology has yet to complete the survey of present water rights, because people have not completed their filing on existing wells and diversions, no determination can be made as to ownership of the water.

President Thomas informed those present of the election problems in the Carnhoope Irrigation District in Spokane Valley.

Attorney John A. Westland prepared and sent to the meeting a copy of all of the legal papers so far presented in the matter of the City of Kennewick vs the Kennewick Irrigation District regarding the reversionary clause in the deed given by the District to the City. President Thomas requested that Paul Lemargie study the papers to see if other districts could be involved in such a situation and whether or not he would advise Association participation in the suit. After studying the papers, Paul is to send them on to Mr. Thomas. Mr. Westland also requested that the Association consider supporting or proposing legislation to have RCW 87.03.135 changed to include the leasing of land as well as the sale of land.
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It was moved by Easterday, seconded by McDaniels and carried that the Association look into requesting the legislature to make a change in the amount paid to Directors for mileage.

Hank Vancik reported on the hearing that he and Van Nutley had attended at Lacey concerning the establishing of minimum flows in the rivers of the State of Washington.

It was moved by Orr, seconded by Easterday and carried that those present recommended having the Annual Meeting in Spokane in 1974.

Elmer McDaniels reminded those present that the Association had selected the location of the 1973 Annual Meeting of the State Association and of the Annual Meeting of the Washington State Reclamation Association.

Gary Weston, Program Chairman, was informed that he had the authority to locate the Annual Meeting after further discussion with Mel Hagood, Program Chairman of the Washington State Reclamation Association.

It was moved by Heminger, seconded by Weston and carried that Resolution No. 74-1 be adopted approving the coverage by Social Security for employees of the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts. Copy of Resolution No. 74-1 is attached and becomes a part of the minutes of this meeting.

The August tour of the Pacific Northwest Region of the USBR was discussed. The tour will be at Lethbridge in Canada.

It was decided that the Association would meet again in August to discuss plans for the Annual Meeting and other matters.

Meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary
4/5/74

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Ephrata

Elden Thomas pres.
HENRY F. VANCE 5

J. Harvey
ROSS A. HEMINGWAY 4

Roy J. Orr
PAUL LEMARCHE

Cyrus H. Castor 0

Tony W. West 1

Lester J. The Caine, Sr.

Dick Hendrick 5

Rosadell Nutter

Okanogan Irr. Dist.
S. A. W. I. D.

Great Northern Irr. Dist.
Ephrata, Wash.

Okanogan Irrigated Dist.
Ephrata, Wash.
RESOLUTION NO. 74-1

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A PLAN BY THE
WASHINGTON STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM,
EXTENDING FEDERAL OLD AGE AND SURVIVORS
INSURANCE BENEFITS TO EMPLOYEES OF
St. Assn. of Wa. Irrig. Distacts,
TO BE EFFECTIVE AS OF July 1, 1973
PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFORE
AND REQUESTING A REFERENDUM THEREON.

WHEREAS, by Public Law 761 of the Second Session, 83rd Congress, and Chapter 4, Laws of the Extraordinary Session of 1955, Congress and the Legislature of the State of Washington have expressed their intent that the benefits of the Federal Old Age and Survivors Insurance program may be made available at their option to members of the Washington State Retirement System in addition to and without impairment of the present system; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Employees Retirement Board by resolution dated August 1, 1955 submitted to the Governor of the State of Washington and the Governor has approved a plan for extending said benefits to members of the State Employees Retirement System; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that said plan have the approval of the governing body of St. Assn. of Wa. Irr. Distacs., Washington, and of its employees by referendum in the manner provided by law so as to be bound by and consent to the terms and conditions of said plan in consideration for the extension of the agreement between the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare and the Governor, making said Federal Old Age and Survivors Insurance available to such employees.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board Directors of St. Assn. of Wa. Irr. Distacs., Washington that such plan of the Washington State Retirement Board which has been approved by the Governor of the State of Washington for extending Federal Old Age and Survivors Insurance to employees of St. Assn. of Wa. Irr. Distacs., Washington shall be and the same is hereby accepted and approved in its entirety and incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth.

BE IT RESOLVED that the auditor of Benton County, Washington is hereby designated as the officer to administer such accounting, reporting and other functions as will be required for the effective operation of said plan under the supervision of the Commissioner of Employment Security, or such other officer as the Governor may designate.

BE IT RESOLVED, subject to approval of a majority of the employees of St. Assn. of Wa. Irr. Distacs., Washington at a referendum held and conducted in the manner provided by law, that the 1st day of July, 1973 be the effective date of Federal Old Age Survivors Insurance for employees of St. Assn. of Wash. Irr. Distacs.

BE IT RESOLVED that the 1973 Budget Association Budget and the budget for subsequent years carry items for employer contributions in the amount of per centum of the taxable payroll, and an item of one dollar per year for each employee for administrative
costs and that the necessary tax levies be made to provide said funds.

BE IT RESOLVED that by copy of this resolution, the Governor of the State of Washington is respectfully requested to authorize a referendum of all eligible employees of ST. ASSN. OF WASH. Irr. DIST. and to designate an agency or individual to supervise its conduct in the manner, form and time, and upon such notice as is provided by law, and other regulations and directives of the Governor or his authorized representative on the question of whether or not said employees desire to be included in or excluded from said plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governor of the State of Washington shall be authorized to terminate said plan in its entirety in his discretion as provided by law.

DONE IN REGULAR SESSION this 5th day of April 1974.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FOR State Association of Washington, WASHINGTON Irrigation Districts

Henry E. Vanke

Melvin L. Tyson

Emlyn R. Castor

Gary W. Waddish

Elmer S. McDaniel

Dick Hindrick

Bennett Nelson

ATTEST:

Rene. H. Nickley

Secretary

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts on April 5th, 1974.

Rene. H. Nickley

Secretary
STATE ASSOCIATION OF
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Director's Meeting

Ephrata, WA

June 28, 1974

10:00 a.m.

The following persons attended the meeting:

Eldon L. Thomas
President
Russell Smith
V-President
Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary

Board Members:

Dick Hendrick
Ross A. Heminger
Henry F. Vancik
Mel Stepon
Ed Armbruster
Cal Liebel

Committee Members:

Paul House
Roy J. Orr
Van E. Nutley
Paul Lemargie

It was moved by Armbruster, seconded by Hendricks and carried that the minutes of April 5, 1974 be approved as written.

The following matters were discussed:

1. Minimum flow standards for the Snake River. It was suggested that irrigation interests be joined with power people to protect upstream storage rights.
2. Rod Vissia, Regional Director, USBR, is meeting in Olympia with fish people on the matter of restitution for loss of fish.
3. RCW 90.22 - responsibility of legislature to establish minimum flows.
5. Department of Ecology - Permits for return flow. Only apparent change is in instructions. 30 districts come under it, 16 are private and 14 are Bureau. DOE will send out within 30 days permits to be for five years. Apply only to shutes or wasteways to river. Have attorney draw up protest to file with permit.
6. Districts need to stress term "food" with Legislators instead of water.

It was moved by Smith, seconded by Heminger and carried that the President appoint a committee to develop food policy for submission to those present at the Annual Meeting to justify priority for continuing appropriations and use of water for the production of food for the national and world needs.

It was moved by Heminger, seconded by Smith and carried that the Board of Directors approve the holding of the Annual Meeting at Yakima on October 17, 1974.
President Thomas appointed Ross Heminger to serve as chairman of the committee referred to above. Members of the committee are as follows: Russell Smith, Eldon Thomas, Ed Armbruster and Van Nutley.

The problem of ground water was again discussed. It was stated that Mr. Biggs had promised a ruling on the matter in August but it was the opinion of those present that he did not intend to do this and that the matter would probably have to go to court and would take years to be settled. It was felt that political pressure should be used to force action as soon as possible. After further discussion and consideration, it was moved by Nutley, seconded by Armbruster and carried that the following resolution be adopted:

Resolution No. 74-2

(Original copy attached to minutes.) (Resolution to be sent to all irrigation districts in the state.)

It was decided to meet on August 2, 1974 at Paul Lemargie's office in Ephrata at 10:00 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary
RESOLUTION URGING THAT THE LEGISLATIVE INTENT
WITH RESPECT TO ACCEPTING DECLARATIONS OF OWNERSHIP
OF ARTIFICIALLY STORED GROUND WATERS AS SET FORTH IN THE
GROUND WATER CODE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
BE CARRIED OUT BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

WHEREAS, the Washington State Legislature in 1945 passed and the
Governor signed the Washington State Ground Water Code which, among other things,
had as one of its objectives the encouragement of ground water development by
offering State protection to investments in bona fide plants to produce water
for beneficial agricultural uses; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of that objective the Ground Water Code pro-
vides that where water is made available in underground storage artificially
incidentally to irrigation that otherwise would have been dissipated naturally
except for artificial improvements by the one claiming to be the owner thereof,
the latter may file a declaration of ownership and following publication thereof
and of findings, the State shall accept or reject such declaration; and

WHEREAS, in reliance thereon, the Potholes Reservoir and collection
facilities leading thereto were constructed with tremendous investments to prevent
Columbia Basin Project water which was brought into the area and made available
in artificial underground storage incidentally to project irrigation from being
dissipated naturally and to make that water available for reuse as a part of the
project water supply for the irrigation for agricultural purposes of substantial
acreages of project lands in the South and East Columbia Basin irrigation districts;
and

WHEREAS, the State Association of Washington irrigation districts in
1966 drafted and sponsored before the Legislative Interim Committee on Water
Resources at its request an amendment to the Ground Water Code which, among other
things, would have made it possible for reclamation projects and irrigation
districts to file declarations of ownership of artificially stored ground waters
thereunder earlier than contemplated by the State before adverse uses thereof
which were already beginning on two projects, developed into a serious problem;
and

WHEREAS, the Department of Conservation (now the Department of Ecology)
prevailed upon the Association and the irrigation districts it represents and
the officials of the Columbia Basin Project, to abandon the legislative approach and in lieu thereof to accept a promised administrative solution to the problem on the Columbia Basin Project; and

WHEREAS, that administrative solution, based upon the tentative conclusion by the State that all of the natural ground waters in the major portion of the area tributary to the Potholes Reservoir had been appropriated, was that, pending a completion of a five-year study to verify that tentative conclusion, no further permits would be granted by that Department for the withdrawal of public ground waters in that area, and that, if at the end of the study the tentative conclusion was verified, the way would be cleared for the filing by the project of declarations of ownership of the artificially stored ground waters which it had created and by the construction of artificial improvements it had prevented them from being dissipated naturally; and

WHEREAS, for all practical purposes the so-called five-year study has been completed and the tentative conclusion with respect to the appropriation of the natural ground water verified; and the subareas and zones necessary as a statutory condition precedent to the filing of declarations of ownership of artificially stored ground water have been designated; and the fully and adequately supported declarations of project ownership of the artificially stored ground waters tributary to Potholes Reservoir have been timely filed; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Ecology, in spite thereof, has recently indicated on several occasions that he is considering rejecting the project's declarations of ownership of artificially stored ground waters tributary to Potholes Reservoir and leave the determination of the ownership thereof up to the courts instead of making the decision himself with respect thereto on the merits as he is required to do by the Ground Water Code; and

WHEREAS, this Association is bitterly opposed to any such perfunctory and arbitrary handling of these very important declarations of project ownership of such artificially stored ground waters in a manner which is entirely inconsistent with the understanding previously arrived at with the Association when, at the urging of the Department, it switched its efforts to help resolve this artificially stored ground water problem from the legislative to the administrative route, for the following reasons, to-wit:
1. That the Columbia Basin Project and the Columbia Basin irrigation districts would, with the support of the Association, be arbitrarily and unnecessarily forced by the Department to go the judicial or third route in order for the project to get an initial determination on the merits of the facts and the law which are overwhelmingly in favor of the project with respect to the acceptability these filings of declarations of ownership of the artificially stored ground waters which, as indicated above, was not a part of the original understanding and is entirely inconsistent therewith.

2. The passing of the responsibility for initially determining this matter on its merits to the courts for the purpose of avoiding an administrative precedent clearly contemplated by the Ground Water Code or to avoid a possible political controversy with persons illegally withdrawing those waters or persons who hope to get the right to do so would be a clear shirking of the statutory duties and responsibilities of the Director and the Department.

3. To go the litigation route, which, conceivably might even lead clear up to the United States Supreme Court, would take years and a lot of the taxpayers' money, as well as other funds and, in addition to being unnecessary, would leave the ground water situation tributary to the Potholes Reservoir in chaos and final solution of the problems there uncertain and up in the air for a long time.

4. In the meantime, the already precarious water supply for the South and a portion of the East Columbia Basin irrigation districts, as a result of limited canal capacity to feed Potholes Reservoir when and to the extent it can be made available and the inroads which have recently been made on the ground water supply for the reservoir by the numerous illegal wells intercepting the artificially stored ground waters tributary thereto and those additional ones which can be expected to do so in the future would be placed in further jeopardy, thus not only preventing further planned and scheduled irrigation development therein and appropriations therefor, but also, such jeopardized water supply would adversely affect the operations of district irrigators therein and increase the recharge financial burdens and risks of damages of crop losses of all of the water users on the project who could, during critical water periods, be faced with canal system prorations project-wide as a result thereof.
5. It would also, in view of the uncertainty and confusion with respect to the ownership and control of the project ground waters tributary to the Potholes Reservoir which would be created as a result thereof, make it impossible for the project to finance and/or construct additional facilities to recharge the ground waters there to take care of the legitimate wells therein which do not necessarily have an assured and adequate water supply and future wells which might become feasible in the event of recharge or for the project and/or the districts to promote further irrigation agriculture development in that study area from project surface or ground water sources, something the State will not be in a position to do even if it rejects the project's declarations of ownership of the artificially stored ground waters.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the State Association of Washington Districts as follows:

1. That the Director of the Department of Ecology be urged to, after publication of notices of the filings of the project's declarations of ownership of artificially stored ground water and of his findings as contemplated by the statute based upon the facts and the law as they exist, enter appropriate orders accepting said declarations of ownership.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to each irrigation district in the State and that they be urged to personally call this matter to the attention of the members of the State legislature in their respective areas and point out to them the necessity of seeing that the intent of the State Legislature in passing the Ground Water Code be carried out as their predecessors therein back in 1945 intended it to be, not only on the Columbia Basin Project, but anywhere else in the State, including on the Okanogan Project, it may become necessary to do so in order to protect the rights of irrigation districts under the Ground Water Code and the investments in facilities to recapture and reuse artificially stored ground waters for beneficial agricultural uses they have made or may make or are or may be responsible for repaying.

Adopted in open meeting this 28th day of June 1974.

Attest: 

[Signature]
President of the Board

[Signature]
Secretary of the Board
6/28/74

Ephraim
10:30 A.M.

5. Earl Lebel
4. Mel Engen
3. Russ Hammer
2. Ray Ash
1. Paul Lemongis

2. Dick Hendrick
1. Russ Smith

1. Elder Thomas

C. Van Nutley
2. Rosebell Nutley
3. Hank VanCleef
4. Paul Fouse
STATE ASSOCIATION OF
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Director's Meeting

Ephrata, WA

August 2, 1974

10:00 a.m.

The following persons attended the meeting:

Eldon L. Thomas, President
Russell Smith, V-President
Gary Weston, V-President

Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary

Board Members:

Elmer McDaniels
Ross A. Heminger
Henry F. Vancik
Mel Stepon
Ed Armbruster
Cal Liebel

Committee Members:

Roy J. Orr
Van E. Nutley

Visitors present were John L. Toevs, President of Washington State Reclamation Association, and E.F. Doncaster, NWRA Director for Washington State.

It was moved by Stepon, seconded by Orr and carried that the minutes of the meeting of June 28, 1974 be approved as written.

Letter dated July 26, 1974 from John Biggs, Director of DOE, was discussed. It was determined that President Thomas would appoint Elmer McDaniels to serve on the Technical Advisory Committee representing the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts. Russell Smith was appointed by President Toevs to serve on the committee representing the State Reclamation Association. No listing is available which indicates which organizations have been approached by Mr. Biggs requesting appointees to the committee.

Other matters discussed are as follows:

1. The resolution adopted at the previous meeting and mailed to all irrigation districts, Governor Evans and others.
2. Meeting of persons involved in ground water problems. At this meeting a committee of four was appointed to investigate legal problems.
3. NPDES Permits - the need to have irrigation districts excluded.
4. Bill No. 92500 - Bureau has filed for districts with EPA. Stepon says Quincy District has to file on 4 places. Smith says #92500 should not apply to agriculture.
5. Filing of permits - deadline is still 12/31/74. DOE thinks that permit forms are favorable.

Those present were informed that the Water User Committee of NWRA has been reactivated and that Henry Vancik is to be Chairman of the Committee.

Bulletin No. 019 from the Office of the State Auditor, recently received by the SAWID Secretary, is to be mailed to all irrigation districts.
Reports were made on the Ecology Hearings held in Richland on July 24 and in Spokane on July 25. Elmer McDaniel reported that Glenn Lee of the Tri City Herald had given an excellent statement at the hearing he attended.

Gary Weston announced that at present there was no firm set up for a speaker at the joint dinner for the annual meetings. Meetings will be in Yakima on October 17th and 18th.

Meeting recessed for lunch.

Ross Heminger asked for input for the committee which has been established to present a "good" approach when discussing water matters with legislators and others.

E.F. Doncaster made a report on recent matters discussed by NWRA.

It was moved by Smith, seconded by Heminger and carried that the SAWID should pay the expenses for no more than 2 persons to attend the Symposium on Ecology to be held at Gonzaga University at Spokane.

Meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary
STATE ASSOCIATION OF
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Director's Meeting

Yakima, WA
October 16, 1974
7:30 p.m.

The following persons attended the meeting:

Eldon L. Thomas
Russell Smith
Gary Weston
President
V-President
V-President
Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary

Board Members:
Elmer McDaniels
R. W. Hendrick
Ross A. Hening
Henry Vancik
Mel Stepon
Edward J. Armbruster
Cal Liebel

Committee Members:
Chan Bailey
Roy Orr
John A. Westland
Van E. Nutley

Visitors present were: Maria Klug, Zola Ulberg, Doug Finkelburg, Glen T.
Sparrow, Rogers R. Neff, Clair Hobkirk, Ida Focht, Delores Evans and Ed Ker.

It was moved by Liebel, seconded by Weston and carried that the minutes of
the meeting of August 2, 1974 be approved.

President Thomas discussed appointments to the Nominating and Auditing
Committees and requested that someone volunteer to request that the membership
approve actions of the Board of Directors during the last year as shown by the
minutes. Nutley agreed to make motion.

Ross Hening reported on the actions of his committee. This committee was
formed to further the proper use of water in food production. He reported on
meetings with Representatives Bob Curtis and Sid Flanagan.

Mel Stepon reported that Sid Flanagan proposes that changes be made in the
Shoreline Act.

Ed Armbruster reported that problems were developing for political agencies
because of the omission of irrigation districts from RCW 39.34, the Local
Cooperation Act. It was moved by Smith, seconded by Bailey and carried that
RCW 39.34.020 be amended to include irrigation districts and that this proposed
legislation be submitted to the body at the Annual Meeting.

It was moved by Nutley, seconded by Armbruster and carried that this body
support the request of Kennewick Irrigation District for a change in RCW
87.03.135 relating to the leasing of property.
Chan Bailey reported on a Shoreline Management hearing in Spokane and that an organization called the Washington Environmental Trades Union had been formed to counteract some of the problems created by the ecologists.

Russ Smith requested that the following matters be acted on at the annual meeting:

1. To exclude irrigation districts from the Shoreline Management Act.

2. Basin wide authority enabling area wide clean water legislation.

It was moved by Nutley, seconded by Heminger and carried that, with the approval of the majority of the Legislative Committee and the Directors, the chairman of the Legislative Committee will have the consent of the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts to sponsor enabling legislation for a basin wide clean water authority.

Cal Liebel reported on reading RCW 35.92.190 which concerns the location of irrigation lines and plants.

It was reported that a ruling had been changed on fire protection districts.

Meeting closed at 8:55 p.m.

Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary
Oct 16, 1974

Yakima

- Edgar McDaniel
- Tony Weston
- Frank Vanick
- Russ Smith
- Ross A. Heminger
- Ed Amburz

- Maria Kung
  - Mel Stimson
  - Doug Finkelnburg
  - Glen T. Starmer
  - Dick Hendrick

- Roy T. Hare
- Van E. filtration
  - Clare Halvick
  - Col. Hiebel

- John Westland
  - John H. Bailey
  - Elmer L. Thomas
- Russell S. Meehan

- Ida Focht
  - Velma Evans
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Representing
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- K.R.D
- R.D.
- S.C.B.I.D.
- Gutek Wetschke, P.O. Dist.
- Lake Chelan, Okanogan Dist.

- S.C.B.I.D
- C.B.I.D
- C.B.I.D
- C.B.I.D
- C.B.I.D.
- Okanogan P.O. Dist.
- O.D.

- S.C.B.I.D
- S.C.B.I.C.
- K.R.D.
- E.C.B.I.D
- Consolidated Dist.
- S. A. D.
- C.B.I.D
- C.B.I.D.
STATE ASSOCIATION OF
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

ANNUAL MEETING

HOLIDAY MOTOR HOTEL      YAKIMA, WASHINGTON      October 17, 1974

Registration and coffee at 8:45 a.m.

President Eldon L. Thomas called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. He introduced Rod Vissia, Director of Northwest Region, USBR, Fred Hahn, Department of Ecology, State of Washington, and Fred Baca, Instructor from Spokane Community College. In his report to those assembled, he spoke on new directives being invoked which deter agriculture and irrigation.

The report of the Secretary-Treasurer was presented to those attending and is attached.

The following committees were appointed by President Thomas: Nominating Committee, Elmer McDaniels, Chairman, Dick Hendrick and Chan Bailey. Auditing Committee, Henry Vancik, Chairman, Maria Klug and Ed Armbruster.

After appointing the committees, President Thomas introduced Russell Smith, Chairman of the Legislative Committee. Mr. Smith gave a report on legislative matters. In his report he stated that the it seemed that a 4th arm of government had been created, namely the Federal Register. He further reported on the Washington State Administrative Code, Land Use Planning, Shoreline Management Legislation and the Clean Water Act of 1972. He referred to the study recently made in the Columbia Basin and suggested that Health Department and USBR lab facilities should be used for testing of water.

Henry F. Vancik, Chairman, NWRA Water User Committee, informed those present that he had attended a meeting of his committee in Salt Lake City and that there had been considerable discussion of PL 92-500. He stated that it is still necessary to file as permits are required by December 31, 1974. He suggested that the Federal Act should be amended to make districts non-point sources by reclassifying irrigation runoff to agricultural runoff. He also stated that there would be additional input from the States at the NWRA Annual Meeting.

Ross Heminger reported that the work done by his committee was very interesting and that some rules need to be revised. He also stated that the Water Resources Act of 1971 was ambiguous.

Due to the swift passage of time, Van Nutley requested only that he be permitted to introduce the next speaker, Mr. Darrell K. Russell, Chief Examiner, Division of Municipal Corporations, State of Washington. Mr. Russell informed those present of the operations of the Chief Examiner's office and of the changes which had been made to make the Division a more workable department. He also stated that he would assist with the panel deliberations in the afternoon so that more questions could be answered.

Meeting adjourned for lunch.
Afternoon session was called to order at 1:15 p.m. with V-President Gary Weston presiding. In the absence of Paul Lemargie, Kermit Rudolf was selected to act as moderator for the Panel of Attorneys.

Attorney John W. Baird spoke on the Shorelines Management Act of 1971. He stated that there was no exception from this Act for irrigation districts, that the shorelines had been designated by the Legislature and that the State may adopt programs for counties. He said that the State has no authority to adopt alternate programs and has no authority to override the County program. He said it was essential to omit irrigation districts from this program and that there will be considerable opposition to doing this.

Attorney John A. Westland discussed bidding requirements by irrigation districts. He said that the public works statutes which place the bidding amount at $2,500 excepts irrigation districts. He also discussed the new inter local co-operation act. He added to his remarks the opinion that the State Association needs a full time employee to keep up with the changes which occur in the statutes.

Chief Examiner Darrell Russell opened his remarks by agreeing that the Association needs a full time executive secretary. He told those present that it is proper for the irrigation districts to do work by force account and in the case of an emergency generally things can be worked out to the satisfaction of the auditing officer of his department. He also suggested that the irrigation district investing officer should keep the County Treasurer advised that the District wants its money invested. He further stated that the irrigation districts can pay for the defense of directors.

Attorney Crane Bergdahl discussed "Directors and Officials Liability Insurance". It was his opinion that the cost for this type of insurance was too great if the coverage was considered. He felt that each Board should make the decision regarding the purchasing of this type of insurance.

By motion made, seconded and carried by the entire assemble the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 74-2

WHEREAS, the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts recognizes the many services and the invaluable help, assistance and advice which have been freely given, without gain or compensation for himself, to the Association and to the various member districts by Paul Lemargie, and

WHEREAS, the members have come to expect that deliberations of a panel of attorneys, under the guidance of Paul Lemargie, would be one of the most important events of the Annual Meeting of the Association,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the assembled members of the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts, meeting in Yakima in October, 1974, that the Association thanks Paul Lemargie for his past work, advice and good humor and wishes him good health for the future, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the State Association of Washington
Irrigation Districts hopes for and asks for the participation of Paul Lemarie in future deliberations of the Association.

Duly adopted this 17th day of October, 1974.

/s/ Eldon L. Thomas
President

Attest:

/s/ Rosadell S. Nutley
Secretary

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After a brief recess, Elmer McDaniel, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, recommended that the following persons be nominated as officers: President-Eldon L. Thomas; 1st V-President Russell Smith; 2nd V-President Gary Weston; Director Division No. 5-Ross A. Heminger; Director-At-Large George O'Brien. It was moved by Walt Peterson, seconded by Mel Stepon and carried that the nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot cast for those recommended by the Nominating Committee.

Henry Vancik, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, reported that the books of the Association were in order. It was moved by Vancik, seconded by Heminger and carried that the auditing report be accepted.

Legislative Chairman Smith requested that the Association support legislation for a basin wide clean water authority. It was moved by Easterday, seconded by Bailey and carried that, with the approval of the majority of the Legislative Committee and the Directors, the chairman of the Legislative Committee will have the consent of the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts to sponsor enabling legislation for a basin wide clean water authority.

It was moved by Ross Heminger, seconded by Russ Smith and carried that the Legislative Committee be authorized to work with Bob Curtis and Sid Flanagan to seek amendments to the Water Resources Act.

It was moved by Vancik, seconded by Easterday and carried that legislation be introduced amending RCW 87.03.460 to delete the 10¢ limit and to read the statutory rate for State personnel.

It was moved by Ed Armbruster, seconded by Smith and carried that the Legislative Committee be authorized to submit legislation to add irrigation districts to RCW 39.34.020, the Local Co-Operation Act.

It was moved by Armbruster, seconded by Rudolf and carried that the words "or lease" be added following the word "sale" in RCW 87.03.135.

It was moved by Bailey, seconded by Orr and carried that the Association approve all actions taken by the Legislative Committee over the last year.
It was moved by Armbruster, seconded by Vancik and carried that the Association approve actions to be taken by the Legislative Committee in regard to proposed legislation.

It was moved by Rudolf, seconded by Smith and carried that the Association is opposed to legislation or regulation which would make fluoridation mandatory in any municipal and quasi-municipal corporation and remove the local option of such corporation whether or not to have such fluoridation.

It was moved by Rudolf, seconded by Hendrick and carried that the Association would oppose any change in existing statute which would make chlorination required with or without regard to question of contamination.

It was moved by Bailey, seconded by Weston and carried that this Body give authority to the Board of Directors to study and decide whether or not the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts should support the Western States Environmental Trades Association.

The Annual Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary

Director's Meeting

October 17, 1974

It was moved by Easterday, seconded by Weston and carried that Rosadell S. Nutley be appointed Secretary-Treasurer.

It was moved by Heminger, seconded by Easterday and carried that the salary of the Secretary be raised by 7 1/2% to $75 per month.

It was moved by Vancik, seconded by Smith and carried that the bill submitted by Ross Heminger in the amount of $12.61 be paid.

It was moved by Easterday, seconded by Heminger and carried that Van E. Nutley be appointed Liaison Officer.

It was moved by Weston, seconded by McDaniels and carried that a study group committee investigate costs of an executive secretary's office. Study group to be a voluntary group of the whole director body.

It was moved by Smith, seconded by Bailey and carried that the State Association pay the expense of the President to attend the NWRA Annual Meeting at Fresno.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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61. James Story
62. Howard Carosen

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61. Yakima, WA
62. Olympia
63. Olympia
64. R.W. Beck and Associates
66. L.C.R.D.
67. Snohomish L.D.
68. Zeller Irrigation Dist.
69. Col. Irr. Benton
70. U.S.D.
71. CH2M Hill
72. Franklin County Irrigation
73. Wash. State Univ.
74. Created Wasteland Dist
75. Mosquito
76. Pasco
77. Spokane
Annual Meeting

Representing
Villa # 15
Cons. Irr. Dist.
Quinoc IRR Dist.
Wapato Irr. Project

82. Walt Palmer
83. Kit Shultz
84. Bill Loflin
85. Gerrit Schilperoort

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STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT

CASH BALANCE - September 30, 1973 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $ 975.58

RECEIPTS:

Membership Dues . . . . . . . . . . $3,122.50
Luncheon Collection . . . . . . . . 235.25
Books . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 410.00

Total Receipts - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $3,767.75
Transfer from Savings Account - - - - - - - - - - 3,200.00

Total to Checking Account $6,967.75

$7,943.33

DISBURSEMENTS:

Luncheon Charge, etc.-Annual Meeting . . $ 295.56
Dues to Canadian Water Resources Assoc. 100.00
Legislation:
Rooms $ 63.95
Travel Expense 155.70
Expense 51.02 270.67

Secretary's Expense:
Salary 840.00
Assoc share of FICA 61.42
Assoc share of PERS 58.44 959.86
Meals, Director Meetings . . . . . . . 213.53
Postage & envelopes . . . . . . . . . . . 166.64
Programs & supplies . . . . . . . . . . . 115.29
Copying . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 75.55

$2,197.10

Books:
Printing $4,198.43
Copies & supplies 48.49 4,246.92

Total Expenditures - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $6,444.02
Deposits to Savings Account - - - - - - - - - - 1,110.00

CASH BALANCE - September 30, 1974

$7,554.02

$7,943.33

SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Cash Balance, September 30, 1973 $ 9,562.64
Deposits to Savings $1,110.00
Interest to September 30, 1974 396.51 $11,069.15
Withdrawals (to Checking Account) 3,200.00

Total Savings, September 30, 1974 $ 7,869.15
STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Program

Thursday, October 17, 1974

Morning Session

Eldon L. Thomas, President, Presiding

8:45 - Registration and coffee

9:30 - President's Report
       Eldon L. Thomas, President

9:40 - Secretary's Report
       Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary

9:45 - Appointment of Auditing and Nominating Committees

Russell D. Smith, 1st V-President, Presiding

9:50 - Legislative Committee Report
       Russell D. Smith, Chairman

10:15 - Henry F. Vancik, Chairman,
         NWRA Water User Committee

10:30 - Van E. Nutley, Consulting Engr.
         Talk on work with Districts for State of Washington

11:00 - Darrell K. Russell, Chief Examiner, Division of Municipal Corporations, State of Washington

11:30 - Recess

12:00 - Luncheon

Afternoon Session

Gary W. Weston, 2nd V-President, Presiding

1:15 - Panel: Legal Matters Relating to Irrigation Districts
       Paul Lemargie, Moderator

       Crane Bergdahl-"Directors and Officials Liability Ins."
       John W. Baird-"Shoreline Management Act"
       Kermit M. Rudolf and John A.
       Westland-"Bidding Requirements by Irrigation Districts"

3:15 - Recess (coffee)

3:30 - Report of Auditing Committee
       Report of Nominating Committee
       Election of Officers

       Other Business to Come Before the Association

Adjournment

Joint Dinner with Washington State Reclamation Association

6:30 - Attitude Adjustment Hour
       (No Host)

7:30 - Dinner Speaker-Stewart Bledsoe,
       Director, Washington State Department of Agriculture
STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

OFFICERS, DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEES

1974-75

President: ELDON L. THOMAS, N 120 Greenacres, Greenacres
             WA 99016 - Secy-Mgr, Consolidated Irrig Dist
             Term Expires 1975

Vice-Presidents:
    RUSSELL SMITH, P O Box 1006, Pasco, WA 99301
    Secy-Mgr, South Columbia Basin Irrig Dist
    Term Expires 1975
    GARY WESTON, P O Box 276, Ellensburg, WA 98926
    Secy-Mgr, Kittitas Reclamation District
    Term Expires 1975

Directors:

Division 1: KERMIT RUDOLF, 1016 Old Nat'l Bank Bldg,
             Spokane, WA 00201-Atty, Consolidated Irrig Dist
             Term Expires 1976

Division 2: E. G. EASTERDAY, Star Route, Mesa, WA 99343
             Director, South Columbia Basin Irrig District
             Term Expires 1975

Division 3: CLYDE ERMER, Rt 2, Box 222, Zillah, WA 98953
             Director, Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District
             Term Expires 1975

Division 4: R. W. HENDRICK, Rt 1, Omak, WA 98841
             Director, Okanogan Irrigation District
             Term Expires 1976

Division 5: ROSS A. HEMINGER, 1484 W Fairmont, E Wenatchee,
             WA 98801-Director, Greater Wenatchee Irrig Dist
             Term Expires 1977

At Large: HENRY VANCIK, P O Box 810, Sunnyside, WA 98944
          Manager, Roza Irrigation District
          Term Expires 1975

          MEL STEPHEN, Rt 1, Box 150, Quincy, WA 98848
          Director, Quincy-Columbia Basin Irrig District
          Term Expires 1976

          EDWARD J. ARMSTRONG, P O Box J, Manson, WA 98831
          Secy-Mgr, Lake Chelan Reclamation District
          Term Expires 1976

          CAL LIEBEL, P O Box 5900, Kennewick, WA 99336
          Secy-Mgr, Kennewick Irrigation District
          Term Expires 1975

          GEORGE O'BRIEN, Rt 2, Box 146, Prosser, WA 99350
          Director, Roza Irrigation District
          Term Expires 1977

Secretary-Treas: ROSAEL D. NUTLEY, 1252 N Perry Loop,
                Kennewick, Washington 99336
                Term Expires 1975

Director Divisions:

1-Pend Oreille, Spokane, Stevens, Whitman
2-Arkin,Columbia, Franklin, Garfield, Walla Walla
3-Benton, Kittitas, Klickitat, Yakima
4-Chelan, Ferry, Okanogan
5-Adams, Douglas, Grant, Lincoln

At Large: All other Counties of the State

Legislative Committee:

Director Divisions: Russell Smith, Chairmain, Pasco
                   H. E. Alexander, Granger
                   Edward J. Armbruster, Manson
                   Chan Bailey, Othello
                   Dick Hendrick, Omak
                   Paul House, Quincy
                   Leonard F. Jansen, Spokane
                   Roy J. Orr, Okanogan
                   Walt Peterson, Jr., Spokane
                   Kermit Rudolf, Spokane
                   John A. Westland, Kennewick
                   Paul Lemarque, Ex officio advisor
                   Lowell, Felt, Oroville

Legislative & Liaison Officer:
Van E. Nutley
STATE ASSOCIATION OF
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Director's Meeting

Ephrata, WA  December 20, 1974  10:00 a.m.

The following persons attended the meeting:

Eldon L. Thomas  President  Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary
Russell Smith  V-President
Gary Weston  V-President

Board Members:
Elmer McDaniels
Dick Hendrick
Ross A. Heminger
Henry F. Vancik
Cal Liebel

Committee Members:
Paul House
Roy Orr
Paul Lemargie
Van E. Nutley

Visitors present were E. F. Doncaster and Senator Nat Washington.

Senator Washington spoke to those present regarding the Shorelines Management Act. He stated that there were no statutes of limitations and that guidelines must be set up to meet standards of environmental impact statements. He said there would be a new section introduced which would exempt wasteways and canals from the provisions of the act. There was considerable discussion by those present.

It was moved by Vancik, seconded by Smith and carried that the State Association dues should remain the same as they had been for the previous year.

There followed a discussion of the problems and costs of hiring someone on a full time scale to represent the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts. It was moved by Smith, seconded by Heminger and carried that Cal Liebel work with John Westland to develop a plan and collection schedule that can be submitted to the Districts.

It was moved by McDaniels, seconded by Liebel and carried that Gary Weston be appointed to replace Elmer McDaniels on the Committee on Water Quality.

Elmer McDaniels informed those present that he would be leaving the Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District and moving to southern Idaho. He recommended that Director Clyde Erney of Zillah be appointed to his position on the Board of Directors of the SAVID. It was moved by Heminger, seconded by Weston and carried that the recommendation of McDaniels be accepted and that Clyde Erney, Director of the Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District, be appointed to the vacancy on the Board of Directors of the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts.

Dick Hendrick requested that Lowell Felt, Secy-Mgr of the Oroville-Tonasket Irrigation District, be added to the list of the members of the Legislative Committee.
Van Nutley discussed the Legislative matters which will be taken to the Legislators at the session beginning in January.

It was moved by Hendrick, seconded by House and carried that the minutes of the Director's meeting of October 16, the Annual Meeting of October 17 and the Director's meeting of October 17 be approved.

It was moved by McDaniels, seconded by Orr and carried that the SAWID support Russell Smith in his efforts to study the Kansas Bill concerning the clean water authority.

Dick Hendrick suggested that the new State Senator from his district, Bruce Wilson, come to an Association Board meeting to see what is needed by the irrigation districts.

It was moved by Smith, seconded by Vancik and carried that there should be a map of the State of Washington showing the Senate and Legislative Districts and also the Irrigation Districts lying in each district.

It was moved by Heminger, seconded by Vancik and carried that a special thanks be given to Elmer McDaniels for all of his valuable service to the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts.

Meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

[Signature]
Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary
4. Add new section to 90.58.030(3)(e) Artificial waters or waterways, including Canals, wasteways, and drains that have been created as part of an irrigation system authorized for the primary purpose of making maximum use of such water for irrigation purposes shall be exempt from the provisions of the Act for any construction, operation or maintenance activity necessary to make maximum use of such waters, lands or facilities for irrigation purposes.

5. Limit RCW 90.58.030(B)(f) to include only 25 year or less flood plains, not all flood plains.

6. Add new subsection to 90.58.030 at end which would be viii--to allow filling as part of construction of a single family residence if such filling is necessary to meet local or state drainage and septic tank requirements.

7. Alter 90.58.120 so department but not local ordinances and resolutions must be part of the A.P.A.
Amend RCW 90.58.20 the following Section 1 by a new Section as follows:

That it is not the intention of the legislature that this chapter shall apply to Irrigation Districts or Federal Projects which include one or more Irrigation Districts or to the Shorelines within such Irrigation Districts.

Such Districts or Federal Projects shall continue to operate under the statutes applicable to them prior to the enactment of this act.
STATE ASSOCIATION OF
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Ephrata, WA
Director's Meeting
10:00 a.m.
February 7, 1975

The following persons attended the meeting:

Eldon L. Thomas  President  Rosadell S. Nutley  Secretary
Russell Smith  V-President
Gary Weston  V-President

Board Members:
Ervin G. Easterday
Ross A. Heminger
Mel Stepon
Ed Aambruster
Cal Liebel
George C. O'Brien
Henry F. Vancik

Committee Members:
Chan Bailey
Paul House
Paul Lemargie
Van E. Nutley

Visitors present were Stan Powers, Kittitas Reclamation District, and
Attorney Richard Lemargie.

Minutes of the meeting of December 20, 1974 were approved as written.

Russ Smith reported on the Technical Committee on water quality; a bill on
a Judications; and state legislation regarding irrigation water management and
aid to various irrigation districts.

There was considerable discussion regarding the possibility of the Soil & Water
Conservation Districts hiring managers to assist the farmers in planning for
better water use. The D.O.E. may possibly pay for the managers. It has been
suggested that the ditchriders should report to the districts those farms where
additional planning is needed to control waste water. The Districts should then
report these situations to the S&WCD. The D.O.E. has statutory powers to
implement this plan.

Smith reported that the Technical Committee insists that D.O.E. take a look at
present monitoring systems on the Yakima and Columbia Rivers where the USBR and
Irrigation Districts are close to having enough monitoring points established. Irrigation Districts continue to assume the position that districts are not
responsible for return flows from farms.

Hank Vancik stated that the attorney for the Roza is considering application
regarding permits to be issued and that there will be much difficulty if
Irrigation Districts shut off the farmers water for violation.

Those present were informed that the Committee on Water Quality had made up a
three page report, suggesting a working program - not a law - between the
Districts, D.O.E. and S&WCD.
It was moved by Nutley, seconded by Vancik and carried that, after this discussion and the good job that the committee members have done, they continue to do the best they can while serving on the committee on water quality.

Paul Lemargie discussed at length the problems which would be faced by the Irrigation Districts and all holders of water rights if the proposed bill on adjudication should become law. He stated that all would have to apply for new water rights and that any waters not used for a period of five years would revert to the State.

Russ Smith reported on a bill which would permit the D.O.E. to own, operate and maintain irrigation systems and to purchase and lease lands under the systems.

There was also a discussion of the new Shorelines Act which would take Irrigation Districts out of the Act, including canals, laterals and wasteways.

A get well card is to be sent to John Westland with the names of those present at the meeting signed to the card.

A brief discussion was held regarding H.B. 382 which has to do with legislation for the State Pension plan.

Meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Rose dell S. Nutley, Secretary
Feb 7, 1975

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7. Van E. Hoitby
8. Henry F. Wunder
9. Elton Thomas
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February 10, 1975

In going through the minutes of meetings which are in the old minutes books I have been unable to locate a minute book for the time period between the Annual Meeting of 1963 and the Annual Meeting of 1966. I have gathered together as best I could copies of those minutes which are available. I will try to locate more minutes and if I do will place them in this volume in proper order.
The following persons attended the meeting:

Eldon L. Thomas  President  Rosadell S. Nutley  Secretary
Russell Smith  V-President
Gary Weston  V-President

Board Members:
Kermit Rudolf
Ervin Easterday
Dick Hendrick
Ross A. Heminger
Henry F. Vancik
Mel Stepon
Ed Armbruster
Cal Liebel

Committee Members:
Chan Bailey
Paul House
Roy J. Orr
Paul Lemargie
Van E. Nutley

Visitors present were: Stan Powers, Jeanne Peck, Jim Trull, E. F. Doncaster, D. E. Finkelnburg, Richard Lemargie and Gwen Lakoduk.

A report was made by Legislative Committee members on the 44th session of the State Legislature which closed on June 10, 1975. It was suggested that a short summary be made of the bills and that a copy be sent to each irrigation district in the State. The report is attached and becomes a part of the minutes of this meeting.

A discussion was held regarding the problem of Okanogan Irrigation District relating to the building of the spillway at Conconully Dam. It was moved by Smith, seconded by Heminger and carried that the following resolution be adopted and that a letter concerning the matter be sent to Representative Tom Foley:

Resolution No. 75-1

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts go on record supporting the proposed bill to be submitted by Representative Tom Foley which makes the cost of the construction of the spillway at Conconully Dam a non-reimbursable cost.

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It was moved by Roy Orr, seconded by Weston and carried that Russ Smith be appointed to serve on the Committee to oversee dispensation of Referendum 27 funds.
The proposed agenda for the Annual Meeting was presented to members by Program Chairman Gary Weston. At this time no dinner speaker has been selected.

The appointment of Paul Lemargie as a regular member of the Legislative Committee will become effective July 1 after his retirement from the USBR.

There being no further business those present went to Galfano’s Restaurant for luncheon. On behalf of the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts, President Eldon Thomas presented a plaque to Paul Lemargie for his long service to the Association and to its members. Several of those present also expressed their thanks to Paul for past assistance and the hope that he would continue to be available in the future.

Meeting closed at 1:20 p.m.

Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary
Mr. Paul Lemarie
Field Solicitor
Department of Interior
 Ephrata, Washington 98823

June 23, 1975

Dear Paul:

Retirement is somewhat like going swimming—
it's great, once one overcomes that reluctance and dives in!

You will be sorely missed by the Bureau, I know. For thirty years and more they have relied on you to answer many tough questions—and you have always produced, without you up there in the second floor things just aren't going to get done as well and as expeditiously as they have in the past.

Your friends in the Washington Association of Irrigation Districts will also miss the expert guidance and counsel you have so generously given them for many years. I know this because on many occasions in the past various ones have expressed to me their gratitude and appreciation for the assistance you have given them.
Our own association began almost eleven years ago. To me, it is one of the most, if not the most, rewarding experiences of my 39 years and 8 months with the Bureau. From the summer of 1964 until the spring of 1973 we were given many tough problems to handle and completed most of them, in some cases despite lack of interest and even outright opposition on the part of others. During this time I learned to appreciate the depth of your commitment to irrigation and your vast knowledge of its legal aspects. I also grew to understand your dedication to hard work, honesty, your absolute disdain for sloppy or inferior work and your insistence on thoroughness and completeness in any undertaking. In short, you are a great guy and it was a wonderful and rewarding experience to work with you and to get to know you.

May you and Harriet have a long and enjoyable retirement.

Your friend,
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STATE ASSOCIATION OF
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Spokane, WA  Director's Meeting  8:00 p.m.
September 17, 1975

The following persons attended the meeting:

Eldon L. Thomas  Presidents
Russell Smith  V-President
Gary Weston  V-President

Rosadell S. Nutley  Secretary

Board Members:
Ervin G. Easterday  Committee Members:
E. Clyde Erny
Ross A. Heminger
Hank Vancik
Mel Stepon
Ed Armbruster
Cal Liebel

Visitors present were:  E. F. Doncaster, Joanne K. Simpson, Jim Trull, Merle
Gibbons, Dick Erickson, Carl Petersen, John Baird, Ida Focht, Doug Finklenburg,
Zola Ulberg and Maria Klug.

It was moved by Armbruster, seconded by Chan Bailey and carried that the minutes
of the meetings of February 7 and June 27, 1975 be approved as written.

The matter of the payment of dues to the Canadian Water Resources Association
was discussed. It was moved by Liebel, seconded by Heminger and carried that
S.A.W.I.D. pay $125 dues to the Canadian Water Resources Association for the
year 1976.

Proposed legislation was read to those present. It was moved by Smith, seconded
by Weston and carried that the proposed legislation be approved and submitted to
those attending the Annual Meeting on September 18.

Russ Smith reported on a State Hearing held at Clayton, Washington, which had been
attended by several of the Association members. While those attending the Hearing
from Olympia insisted that it applied only to the Spokane River, our members were
not satisfied with this explanation.

There followed considerable discussion regarding the Shorelines Management Act,
a report on a Hearing at Moses Lake held by the House Sub-Committee on Irriga-
tion Development, a ruling by the State Supreme Court on the Statute of Limitations
and possible changes in the Public Disclosures Commission requirements for irriga-
tion district directors.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary
Claims time limit struck down

OLYMPIA, Wash. (AP) —
State laws requiring damage
claims be filed against the
state or other public agencies
within 120 days were declared
unconstitutional Thursday by
the State Supreme Court.

The 8-1 opinion generally up-
held decisions by the Court of
Appeals and Mason County Su-
perior Court Judge Howard A.
Henry in granting damages to
Gerald Hunter Jr., and his fa-
thier. The boy was injured in a
North Mason High School sports
accident.

The court specifically struck
down laws involving all politi-
cal subdivisions requiring dam-
age claims to be filed within a
specific time, usually 120 days,
for them to be valid in court.

The court said the Hunters
had notified the school principal
of the boy's injury well before
the 120-day limit, but hadn't
given formal notice to the
school board of their intent to
claim damages.

The court majority, in an
opinion by Justice Robert F.
Utter, held that the laws put
persons with claims against
government units in a different
class than those with claims
against private parties because
adults in private damage cases
have up to three years to file
and minors often have much
longer. The two-class situation
violates constitutional guaran-
tees of equal protection under
law, Utter said.

"In light of these considera-
tions, the only function the spe-
cial treatment given govern-
menal bodies seems to perform
is the simple protection of the
government from liability for
its wrongdoing," the court said.
"Our state has clearly and un-
equivocally adjudged any desire
to so insulate itself from liabil-
ity, however, in its absolute
waiver of sovereign immunity,
which places the government
on an equal footing with private
parties defendant."

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PASCO CITY COUNCIL
AT LARGE POSITION
ON THE BALLOT FOR PASCO
Committee to Elect E. A. Snider.
Charlie Brown, Pasco, Treasurer
Sept 17, 1975

1. Fred Johnson
2. John Westland
3. Ray Coles
4. Earl Amberton
5. Ross a. Heming
6. June Bauer
7. Frank Vanek
8. Jim Julea
9. L. C. R. D
10. Carl Label

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Consolidated Irrigation Dist.

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Cresco Irrig. Dist.

Ephrata, Wa.

Othello, Wa.

Quincy, Wash

Davenport, I. P.

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STATE ASSOCIATION OF  
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS  

ANNUAL MEETING  

DAVENPORT HOTEL  SPOKANE, WASHINGTON  

September 18, 1975  

Registration and coffee at 8:45 a.m.

President Eldon L. Thomas called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. He presented a plaque from the Association to Paul Lemargie for the many years of service that he has given to the Waterusers of the State of Washington. Mr. Thomas explained that an error had been made in the original plaque and that this was the second time that he had presented it to Mr. Lemargie. He also announced that the Board of Directors would meet immediately following the Annual Meeting adjournment.

The report of the Secretary-Treasurer was presented to those present and is attached.

The following committees were appointed by President Thomas: Nominating Committee, Gary Weston, Chairman, Henry Vancik and Ervin Easterday. Auditing Committee, Chan Bailey, Chairman, Maria Klug and Jim Trull.

After appointing the Committees, President Thomas introduced Russell Smith, Chairman of the Legislative Committee. Mr. Smith welcomed those present to Spokane and informed them that Mr. Thomas was retiring and that the Annual Meeting had been scheduled one month early for this reason. He introduced Rod Vissia, Regional Director from Boise and also Bill Burpee and John Walker from the USBR at Boise. Bill Gray, Project Manager of the Yakima Project was also introduced by Mr. Smith.

Russ Smith gave a fine report on the many problems which arise because of the many bills introduced in both the State Senate and House of Representatives. The 1975 session had a total of 2,409.

After a discussion of the problems relating to certain parts of Title 87 because laws had not been updated, it was moved by Nutley, seconded by Weston and carried that the Association sponsor proposed legislation to change law in 87.03.440 and 87.03.441 which have to do with vouchering and expenditures.

It was moved by Heminger, seconded by Vancik and carried that the Board of Directors and the Legislative Committee have the authority to act on behalf of the Association in Legislative matters.

Chairman Smith reported that there had been an attempt to throw out all existing adjudication laws and that with the help of Paul Lemargie this bill was lost in Committee. The Governor’s attempt to set times and fees for water rights was also defeated. Smith thanked the Association members who had attended the hearing on State wide planning for water resources which was held at Clayton. After a brief discussion of the Sulphur Creek study on Water Quality Improvement he introduced Mark Horton, Yakima Representative of the Department of Ecology.

Mr. Horton spoke on the need for rational and realistic goals in the improvement of water quality. He felt that looking into individual farms is better than the
permit system and suggested the following methods: 1. Grass filter strips, 2. Pump back systems, 3. Settlement ponds and 4. Change length of runs or furrows. He reported on the study made by CH2M-Hill of the Water Quality on Sulphur Creek.

Russ Smith thanked Mr. Horton for his very informative talk and reported that both the State House and Senate had introduced bills having to do with the disbursement of Referendum 27 funds.

Meeting recessed for lunch at 11:30 a.m.

Afternoon session was called to order at 1:15 p.m. with Gary Weston, 2nd V-President presiding.

Paul Lemargie, moderator for the Legal Panel introduced Walt Peterson. Mr. Peterson spoke on House Bill No. 1 which was passed during the Legislative Session. This bill permitted District Directors to enter into Group Health & Accident Insurance with the Districts plan, providing the Directors paid all premiums for the insurance. He also suggested that the Director pay should be increased to $25 for 1/2 day or fraction and $50 for a full day.

Mr. Lemargie then introduced John Baird, who spoke on easements and rights of way.

Kermit Rudolf informed those present that the State Supreme Court had struck down all specific Claim statutes including the crop damage claim. He explained that all claims would be treated in the same manner in the future and that the claimant could file claim without prior notification and that the districts must watch all damage carefully and take notes for future possible claim. He further discussed a case which the North Spokane Irrigation District now has in court concerning a franchise, and some problems relating to land taken by the Highway Department for roads.

Stu Beldsoe was introduced and spoke briefly on the Shorelines Management Act and the possibility of getting State funds for the Second Bacon Siphon and Tunnel.

All those present were in favor of continuing the panel discussions at the Annual Meetings.

The Nominating Committee Chairman presented its report.
It was moved by Vancik, seconded by Orr and carried that the report of the Nominating Committee be accepted and the following persons be nominated:

President: Russ Smith
1st V-President: Ross A. Heminger
2nd V-President: Chan Bailey

Directors:
Division 2: E. R. Easterday  Term - 1978
Division 3: Clyde Erney          1978
Division 5: Paul House          1977
At Large: Henry Vancik         1978
                          Cal Liebel  1978

It was moved by Peterson, seconded by Schafer and carried that the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote cast for those nominated.
Chan Bailey, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, reported that the books of the Association had been audited and were found to be in order. It was moved by Bailey, seconded by Heminger and carried that the auditing report be accepted.

It was moved by Nutley, seconded by Vancik and carried that the Association pay telephone and other reasonable costs for Paul Lemangie for setting up the Association Annual Meeting panel.

It was announced that a retirement party would be held for Eldon L. Thomas and Mr. Thomas then introduced Jim Trull who was taking his place as Secy-Mgr of the Consolidated Irrigation District No. 19.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

\[Signature\]
Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary

Director's Meeting
September 18, 1975

It was moved by Bailey, seconded by Vancik and carried that Rosadell S. Nutley be appointed Secretary-Treasurer at $75.00 per month.

It was moved by Heminger, seconded by Weston and carried that Van E. Nutley be designated Legislative and Liaison Officer.

Meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

\[Signature\]
Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary
STATE ASSOCIATION OF
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

SOUND IRRIGATION PROGRAMS PROMOTE PROSPERITY
1252 N. Perry Loop Kennewick, Washington 99336

OBJECTIVES:

1. TO PROMOTE THE INTERESTS OF IRRIGATED FARMING
2. TO IMPROVE THE OPERATION OF IRRIGATED DISTRICTS OF THE STATE
3. TO ACT AS A CLEARING HOUSE ON INFORMATION FOR IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

To all Irrigation Districts of the State of Washington:


The 44th session of the Washington State Legislature closed on June 10, 1975, and passed the following bills which were introduced at the request of the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts:

House Bill No. 1 which became Chapter 14, 1 L 1975. This legislation authorizes a change in Title 87,03,160 permitting Directors to be covered by the same group Health insurance as the District employees, providing the Director pays the full premium.

House Bill No. 42 which became Chapter 115, L 1975, E1. This legislation authorizes the participation of irrigation districts in the interlocal cooperation act.

House Bill No. 530 which became Chapter 163, L 1975, E1. This legislation authorizes a change in Title 87,03,460 permitting Directors to be paid the same rate per mile for the use of their private cars as the amount paid to State and County officials.

House Bill No. 530 also changes Title 87,03,135 to permit the leasing of lands taken by the District for non-payment of assessments.

Senate Bill 2443 which became Chapter 182, L 1975, E1. This legislation excludes certain irrigation works from the Shorelines Management Act.

In addition to the above, other legislation supported by your Association which became law includes:

House Bill No. 867 - The Washington Futures Program
House Bill No. 456—expands the definition of "public bodies" eligible to participate in water supply bonds.

The following legislation was successfully opposed by the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts:

House Bill No. 452 - The Governor's State Reclamation Act,
House Bill No. 458 - Ground water licensing for short periods of time and taxing of users.

The S.A.W.I.D. was represented on an Ad Hoc Committee, along with Paul Lemargie, Field Solicitor, Department of Interior, primarily on the rewriting of the water adjudication laws which became House Bill 970 and which died in the Senate Rules Committee. Although these undesirable laws were not passed, we should all remember that they may be resurrected at any time and should be watched.

Russell Smith, Legislative Chairman, and Van E. Nutley, Liaison Officer, are to be commended for the excellent work done this session.

Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary
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STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT

CASH BALANCE - September 30, 1974 $389.31

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Total Receipts $3,618.00

Total Including Balance $4,007.31

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Total Expenditures $2,295.23

Deposits to Savings 1,370.00

CASH BALANCE - August 31, 1975 $3,665.23

SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Cash Balance, September 30, 1974 $7,869.15

Deposits to Savings (Dues) $1,370.00

Interest to June 30, 1975 286.92

Total Savings, August 31, 1975 $9,526.07
WASHINGTON STATE ASSOCIATION

STATE SCHOOL DISTRICTS

WASHINGTON

30TH ANNUAL MEETING

PROGRAM

Washington Statewide Program Council
STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Program

Wednesday and Thursday, September 17 and 18, 1975

Wednesday Evening

8:00 - Board Meeting

Thursday Morning

Eldon L. Thomas, President
Presiding

8:45 - Registration and coffee

9:30 - President's Report
Eldon L. Thomas, President

9:40 - Secretary's Report
Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary

9:45 - Appointment of Auditing and Nominating Committees

Russell D. Smith, 1st V-President,
Presiding

9:50 - Legislative Committee Report
Russell D. Smith, Chairman

10:30 - Department of Ecology
Yakima Representative
Pilot Program on Sulfur Creek Pollution Abatement

11:30 - Recess

12:00 - Luncheon

Thursday Afternoon

Gary W. Weston, 2nd V-President,
Presiding

1:15 - Panel: Legal Matters Relating to Irrigation Districts

3:15 - Recess (coffee)

3:30 - Report of Auditing Committee
Report of Nominating Committee and Election of Officers

Other Business to come before the Association

5:00 - Adjournment

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Joint Dinner with Washington State Reclamation Association

6:30 - Attitude Adjustment Hour
(No Host)

7:30 - Dinner Speaker: Dixy Lee Ray
STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

OFFICERS, DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEES

1975-76

President: RUSSELL SMITH, P O Box 1006, Pasco, WA 99301
Secy-Mgr, South Columbia Basin Irrig District

V-Presidents:
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WA 98801-Director, Greater Wenatchee Irrig Dist
CHAN BAILEY, P O Box E, Othello, WA 99344
Secy-Mgr, East Columbia Basin Irrig District

Directors:

Division 1 KERMIT RUDOLF, 1016 Old Nat'l Bank Bldg
Spokane, WA 99201-Atty, Consolidated I.D. #19

Division 2 E. G. BASTERDAY, Star Route, Mesa, WA 99543
Director, South Columbia Basin Irrig District

Division 3 CLYDE ERMEEY, Rt 2, Box 222, Zillah, WA 98953
Director, Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District

Division 4 R. W. HENDRICK, Rt 1, Box 187, Omak, WA 98841
Director, Okanogan Irrigation District

Division 5 PAUL HOUSE, P O Box 188, Quincy, WA 98848
Manager, Quincy-Columbia Basin Irrig District

At Large:
HENRY VANCIG, 1203 W 5th, Grandview, WA 98930
Manager, Roza Irrigation District

MEL STEPHEN, Rt 1, Box 150, Quincy, WA 98848
Director, Quincy-Columbia Basin Irrig District

EDWARD J. ARMBRUSTER, P O Box J, Manson, WA 98831
Secy-Mgr, Lake Chelan Reclamation District

CAL LIEBEL, P O Box 6900, Kennewick, WA 99336
Secy-Mgr, Kennewick Irrigation District

GEORGE O'BRIEN, Rt 2, Box 146, Pasco, WA 99350
Director, Roza Irrigation District

Secretary-Treas: ROSADELL S. NUTLEY, 1252 N Perry Loop,
Kennewick, Washington 99336

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1-Pend ORielle, Spokane, Stevens, Whitman
2-Asotin,Columbia, Franklin, Garfield, Walla Walla
3-Benton, Kittitas, Klickitat, Yakima
4-Chelan, Ferry, Okanogan
5-Adams, Douglas, Grant, Lincoln
At Large; All other Counties of the State

Director Divisions:

Legislative Committee:

Ross A. Heminger, Chairman
Edward J. Armbruster, Manson
Chan Bailey, Othello
Lowell Felt, Oroville
Dick Hendrick, Omak
Paul House, Quincy
Leonard F. Jansen, Spokane
Paul Lemarge, Ephrata
Roy J. Orr, Okanogan
Walt Peterson, Jr., Spokane
Kermit Rudolf, Spokane
Jim Trull, Spokane
John A. Westland, Kennewick
Gary Weston, Sunnyside

Legislative & Liaison Officer:
Van E. Nutley, Kennewick
STATE ASSOCIATION OF
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Ephrata, WA

Director's Meeting

December 12, 1975

10:00 a.m.

The following persons attended the meeting:

Russell D. Smith President Rosadell S. Nutley Secretary
Ross A. Heminger V-President Chan Bailey V-President

Board Members:

Ervin G. Easterday
Clyde Erney
Dick Hendrick
Henry F. Vancik
Ed Armbruster
Mel Stepon

Committee Members:

Lowell Felt
Paul Lemargie
Roy F. Orr
Jim Trull
Van E. Nutley
Gary W. Weston

Visitors present were: Stan Powers, Kittitas Reclamation District, and Doug Finkelnburg, Quincy Columbia Basin Irrigation District.

Minutes of the meetings of September 17 & 18 and of the Annual Meeting held September 18, 1975 were approved as written.

It was moved by Hendrick, seconded by Stepon and carried that the dues for the year 1976 be the same as the previous year.

A letter which had been received from the Sierra Club concerning the Bumping Lake enlargement was discussed. It was moved by Nutley, seconded by Easterday and carried that President Russ write to the Sierra Club requesting a copy of the Bumping Lake Enlargement Environmental Statement be sent to the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts and that copies of the letters be sent to the Regional Office of the USBR at Boise.

There followed a lengthy discussion of the problems concerning WAC 173-500. It was moved by Heminger, seconded by Armbruster and carried that the Association support any legislation which would get water resources management either into the Department of Natural Resources or into a separate department.

It was moved by Hendrick, seconded by Easterday and carried that the Association support Senator Bruce Wilson's bill to force State Agencies to submit Regulations to some Legislative body for approval and comment.

The possibility of Chapter 89.16 being again used, which permits the State to become involved in irrigation, was discussed. This Act was known as the "State Reclamation Act" and provided for funding, etc.

Nutley suggested that a committee be formed to study the Auditor Fallon's ideas prior to the next Annual Meeting.
Ed Armbruster requested information concerning the service of domestic water to lands lying outside the boundary of the irrigation district.

The problem of the Okanogan Irrigation District concerning the State Auditor's report was discussed. This matter deals with legal problems relating to employment and to the District Secretary's involvement.

Gary Weston reported on the Sulphur Creek Pilot Program.

Russ Smith reported that the SCS is working with landowners and that WSU is working in on farm planning and it is hoped that these programs make it possible to bypass the permit system.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary
Dec. 12

Ephrata

- Ross a Hennig
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- Dick Hendrick
- Lowell Felt
- Ed Ambuster
- Henry F. Vande
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- Paul Lemargue
- Jim Trull
- Mel A. Fron
- Doug Finkelnburg
- Van C. Kutting
- Russell D. Kutting
- Emerald C. Casterholf
- Russell D. Smith
- C B. Bailey
- Stan R. Powers
- Clyde Erney
- Gary W. Weston

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- VIP
STATE ASSOCIATION OF
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Ephrata, WA                      Director's Meeting                      9:30 a.m.

April 27, 1976

The following persons attended the meeting:

Russell D. Smith                  President
Ross A. Heminger                  Rosadell S. Nutley         Secretary
Chan Bailey                       V-President
                                     V-President

Board Members:                    Committee Members:

Ervin G. Easterday
C. Clyde Erney
Henry F. Vancik
Mel Stepon
Ed Armbruster

Paul Lemargie
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Roy Orr
Jim Trull

Visitors present were: Doug Finkelnburg, Loren Cosens, Stan R. Powers, Jeanne
Peck and Howard Frye.

There was considerable discussion concerning the creating of chapter 173-596
WAC which would authorize the Department of Ecology to withdraw significant
amounts of public waters for agricultural irrigation uses.

Russ Smith announced that a hearing would be held on Thursday, April 29,
concerning the above and that the time and acreage limit could eventually
be applied to irrigation districts. Hearing at Battelle N.W., Richland-2:00 p.m.

Vancik stated that the family farm was really not 2,000 acres and that the
Legislature should develop Chapter 89 for further use. He also questioned
Chapter 173-596-055 with regard to eminent domain. Lemargie said the State
would not have to give a Certificate for a water right.

It was moved by Finkelnburg, seconded by Stepon and carried that S.A.W.I.D. be
represented at the hearing on Thursday and that the irrigation districts should
send out a resolution against 173-596 WAC to Biggs with copy to Evans and
Legislative members.

After considerable discussion regarding the best methods to proceed, it was
moved by Heminger, seconded by Orr and carried that the State Association
of Washington Irrigation Districts authorize the President or his designated
representative to state that if 173-596 WAC is put into action, the S.A.W.I.D.
will file suit under Administrative Procedures Act 34.04.070 RCW and that the
Association is authorized to bring suit under this Act.

It was moved by Armbruster, seconded by Vancik and carried that the minutes of
the meeting of December 12, 1975 be approved.

It was announced that there would be a retirement party for Paul House at the
Turf in Quincy on May 15th.
It was moved by Bailey, seconded by Heminger and carried that the Annual Meeting of the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts be held in Yakima on October 14, 1976. It was announced that the Washington State Reclamation Association would meet there on October 15, 1976.

It was moved by Heminger, seconded by Bailey and carried that Nutley be authorized to make arrangements to get the State Auditor's Remarks to irrigation districts for the Annual Meeting.

Clyde Ermey brought up the problem of PCHB No. 846, Before the Pollution Control Hearing Board - In the Matter of George W. Simpson v. State of Washington, Department of Ecology. It was moved by Vancik, seconded by Stepon and carried that the President be authorized to work with Paul Lemargie in regard to the above case. They will come up with something as to the best manner to pursue the problem.

It was moved by Vancik, seconded by Easterday and carried that the S.A.W.I.D. support the Columbia River Basin Compact and send a copy of the motion to Don Moos, Joel Haggard and Eugene L. Laughlin.

It was announced that the Operators Tour will be held in Salt Lake City September 13 through 16, 1976.

Russ Smith expressed his thanks to the Technical Advisory Committee and the thanks of State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts. It was moved by Vancik, seconded by Stepon and carried that this be recorded in the form of a motion of the Association.

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

Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary
Ephraim  April 27, 1976  9:30 am

A  Paul Lemarge  Ephraim

B  Roy Orr  Okanogan

C  Madeline  Quincy

D  Fran E. Nutley  Lymanville

C  Henry F. Vanier  Sunny side

C  Jim Iull  CID No 19

Loren Cosens  Kennewick Irr. Dist.

Stan B. Page  Kittitas Rec. Dist.

Jeanne Rick  KXK

Russell D. Nutley  SAWID

F. Smith  SCBID

C. C. E. Eastwood  SCBID

C. Clyde Enrup  Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District

Clyde Enrup  Irrigation Board Chairman
STATE ASSOCIATION OF
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Spokane, WA Director's Meeting 1:00 p.m.

June 25, 1976

The following persons attended the meeting:

Russell D. Smith President Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary
Ross A. Heminger V-President
Chan Bailey V-President

Board Members:

Kermit Rudolf
Erwin Easterday
Clyde Erney
Dick Hendrick
Henry F. Vancik
Geo. C. O'Brien

Committee Members:

Lowell Felt
Leonard F. Jansen
Roy J. Orr
Walt Peterson
Jim Trull
Paul Lemargie
Gary W. Weston

Visitors present were: John Baird and Doug Finkelnburg, Quincy Irrigation District, Nancy Ostby, Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District, Randy Jackson, Roza Irrigation District, and Dennis Olson, Law Student, Intern in Rudolf's office.

Meeting was opened by President Russ Smith. In order to refresh the memory of those who had attended the previous meeting of the S.A.W.I.D. and to inform those who had not attended, the following motion was read: "It was moved by Heminger, seconded by Orr and carried that the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts authorize the President or his designated representative to state that if 173-596 WAC is put into action, the S.A.W.I.D. will file suit under Administrative Procedures Act 34.04.070 RCW and that the Association is authorized to bring suit under this act.

Kermit Rudolf, with an occasional assist from those present, discussed at length the legality of bringing suit against the Department of Ecology because of the adoption of chapter 173-596 WAC. It was determined that the Association should join with someone who would create no problem as to legal standing. As this WAC will become effective within 30 days after filing date of June 8, 1976, it was the opinion of those present that any action taken must come within the 30 day period, unless it can be determined that some other statute would extend the time for filing of the suit.

It was suggested that the D.O.E. may have slipping up in Procedure because no Environmental Impact Statement or Negative Declaration was filed.

Following are statements and suggestions made by those present: John Baird says the Legislature should define 'family farm'. Easterday thinks no opinion is available. Weston suggests that Procedures should be attacked first. Lemargie stated that any District wishing to expand would or could encounter trouble. Walt Peterson questioned whether or not the Association is proper party. John
Baird said the Association should not try it alone - not enough standing. Len Jansen felt that the East District Board would object to paying any additional amount to the Association to assist in the cost of the suit. Ross Heminger said that Charles Roe's Opinion, dated June 4, 1976, was flimsy and that we should try to change the WAC through Legislation. Easterday cited the Highway Case and said that irrigation interest are being hurt. John Baird said he was afraid that it can't be done through Legislation. Chan Bailey asked how soon it would be necessary to file the suit.

Vancik and Hendrick both stated that their Districts supported the filing of the suit.

It was moved by Hendrick, seconded by Easterday and carried that the Association proceed with the suit as previously instructed in such format and manner as determined by the Executive Board and Council. Chan Bailey abstained from voting.

It was moved and seconded that the Secretary be dropped from payroll status as of July 31, 1976. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 4 p.m.

Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary
June 25, 1976
Spokane 1 p.m.

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Dennis Olson
Supt. in
Kendolf's office
Tonpaza

Randell J. Riley
Supt.
Kerr
Yakima, WA  Director's Meeting  October 13, 1976

The following persons attended the meeting:

Russell D. Smith  President  Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary
Ross A. Heminger  V-President
Chan Bailey  V-President

Board Members:

Kermit Rudolf
E. G. Easterday
E. Clyde Erney
Henry F. Vancik
Mel Stepon
Ed Armbruster
Dick Hendrick

Committee Members:

Lowell Felt
Len Jansen
Paul Lemargie
Jim Trull
Van E. Nutley
Gary W. Weston

Visitors present were: Earl Terwilleger, James W. Webb, Walter E. Franz, William E. Seehafer, Dick Erickson, Rogers Neff, Maria Klug, E. F. Doncaster, Lloyd Ottem, John Snider, Jr., Merle Gibbens, Tom Cotton, Ida Focht, John W. Baird, Jerry Helde and Clair Hobkirk.

It was moved by Armbruster, seconded by Doncaster and carried that the minutes of the meetings of April 27 and June 25, 1976, be approved as written.

The following legislative matters were discussed:

1. Labor standards - Amend 43.22.280/49.12.170/49.12.185
2. Grange Initiative No. 59 - Family Farm Water Act

Jim Webb, Director for E.C.B.I.D., informed those present that the East District Board wished to go on record as opposing the suit - S.A.W.I.D. vs D.O.E.

President Russ Smith informed those present that there is now a split between the Farm Bureau and the Grange over WAC 173-596.

Dick Hendrick, Board Member of Okanogan Irrigation District, said that his District is a party to the SAWID vs DOE suit because of the principle involved. He stated that his Board felt that the D.O.E. should not be able to do something by regulation that the Legislature had turned down. He felt that the Grange sponsored initiative was not too bad, however, that the whole east side of the State does not have any activity by anyone to change water law, it is the west side that wants to change the law.

Russ Smith told those present that there were adequate laws to control now if they were polished a little. He further stated that the Legislature has bills to reduce privileges of D.O.E. to be submitted. He cited the Regulatory Reform Act of 1977 which states that each State Agency has to go before the Legislature to justify its existence.
Dick Hendrick, who is on the State Policy Advisory Committee on 208 Planning, says that things are pretty much in the dark. That DOE is to make a 2 year study and then implement the plan. He thinks that Glen Fiedler will work with irrigation districts, that D.O.E. is trying to help with PL 92-500 and that EPA wants some pretty weird things.

Gary Weston, who is on the Technical Advisory Committee for Irrigated Return Flow, said there was some information from D.O.E. to hand out to the group.

Henry Vancik reported that there is nothing interesting at the Federal level, that no compromise was reached between the Senate and the House of Representatives and we, therefore, are right back where we started.

Jim Trull, Consolidated Irrigation District No. 19, asked that the Association get a clarification of 87.05.441 sometime in the future as this RCW no longer covers the present day methods of bookkeeping.

Problems relating to domestic water were also discussed. The present Mandatory Certification of Water Works ruling covers services to more than 100 deliveries, and those below this number are on a voluntary basis. The Districts should watch to see that this is not changed.

Kenneth Rudolf informed those present that Walt Peterson wants to change the Director compensation RCW to permit payment of $25 per 1/2 day or fraction thereof and asked that this be approved and recommended to the annual meeting. This move was seconded by Gary Weston. Lowell Felt asked that the motion be amended to make Director pay $50 per day. On the vote on the amendment there were 8 in favor of the amendment and 3 against and the amendment to the motion carried.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the above request to raise Director pay from $25 to $50 per day be presented to those attending the Annual Meeting on Thursday.

It was moved by Easterday, seconded by Nutley and carried that the Association table the request of the Department of Natural Resources for an extension of 25 years on State lands.

Tom Cotton, QCBID, brought up the problem of the chemical situation, with regard to weed spray and water treatment chemicals. It was moved by Armbruster, seconded by Stepon and carried that the Association take some kind of action to inform the E.P.A. of the situation regarding certification of chemicals.

It was moved by Stepon, seconded by Hendrick and carried that the Association discontinue paying dues to the Canadian Water Resources Association. A letter is to be written to the CWRA.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

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President Russ Smith called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and introduced Board members of the Association and those attending from the Bureau of Reclamation including Rod Vissia, Regional Director, Bill Dunlop, Field Solicitor's Office, and Bill Gray, Yakima Project. Jack Unbewust, Manager of Columbia Basin Project, was also introduced.

President Smith reported on the various legislative matters which are facing the irrigation districts in the coming session of the Legislature at Olympia. He discussed the suit which had been filed by the Association against the Department of Ecology. This suit was filed in Thurston County to test the validity of WAC No. 173-596. It was the opinion of President Smith that the present laws are adequate and that lack of enforcement is the main problem.

The following committees were appointed by President Smith:

Nominating Committee:  
Dick Hendrick, Ch.  
Henry Vancik  
Van E. Nutley  

Auditing Committee:  
Virginia Summers, Ch.  
Ed Armbruster  
Jeanne Peck

The report of the Secretary Treasurer was presented to those present and is attached.

Ross Heminger, Chairman of the Legislative Committee, gave an excellent report on the activities of the Committee during the preceding year. He discussed the many meeting and hearings that he had attended representing the Association in matters relating to water rights and to other matters of concern to the members of the Association. He concluded with an accounting of the moneys which had been promised or distributed by the D.O.E. to irrigation districts from the proceeds of Referendum 27.

Velda Shallenberger, Secretary of the Columbia Basin Water Safety Council, discussed the safety problems which are encountered in irrigated areas. Her program was started by the Bureau of Reclamation and was the first in the State. She requested that the Association assist in the promotion of Water Safety in all areas of the State. A current listing of the irrigation districts with correct addresses will be sent to her.

Blair Wolfley, Coordinator for a study being made by WSU concerning the Interrelationship of Wildlife and Irrigation Development, discussed the problems arising over the use of water for irrigation and suggested that a better understanding must be developed between the waterusers of irrigation water and the Fish and Wildlife Service. He also talked on the problems of recreational invasion of farm lands. Mr. Wolfley was asked if he thought that Fish and Wildlife would help with costs of New East High Irrigation and he stated that he thought there should be some offset of F & W to share part of the cost.
Van Nutley gave a report on several items which were noted in recent examinations made by the Division of Municipal Corporations during the auditing of various irrigation districts accounts. A memo will be sent to all districts concerning these items so that the districts may become more aware of some of the practices which are not in the best interests of the districts, legally or otherwise. A copy of the memo is attached to these minutes and becomes a part thereof.

Glen Fiedler, Department of Ecology, spoke to those present on the Update on Water Pollution Regulations. He stated that after considerable time and study and legal suits, etc., it appears that the Department will have to go back to permits again. The State will designate general permit areas in the State such as: Be Counties, By Projects, By Boundaries or by River Basins. He expressed the opinion that the permits might be for a 5 year period, that they would probably not be given to individuals but to areas. E.P.A. has tied the permit program to the planning program and it must be done by November, 1978. It was suggested by Mr. Fiedler that all with questions should discuss the programs with Gary Weston, Russ Smith or Dick Hendrick, that some form of regulatory program will evolve over the next couple of years and that the program must be locally acceptable and that the Department and the Advisory Committees need input.

Meeting recessed for lunch at this time.

The afternoon session was called to order by President Russ Smith.

Paul Lemargie, Moderator for the Panel Discussion, introduced John Westland, who spoke on segregations of property and on some of the problems encountered by the irrigation districts when farm lands are platted into subdivisions.

John Baird was introduced by Moderator Lemargie. Mr Baird’s topic was problems related to excess land holdings. It was his opinion that there would be a vigorous campaign to police the 160 acre limitation, using the excess land situation as a means to work through the irrigation districts.

Panelist Kermit Rudolf discussed the case of the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts vs Department of Ecology. He stated that the case had not been set for hearing at this time.

Moderator Lemargie introduced Walt Petersen, Jr. who spoke on S.E.P.A. Regulations.

The Panel members then answered questions from those in the audience.

Virginia Summers, Chairperson of the Auditing Committee, reported that the books of the Association had been audited and were found to be in order. It was then moved by Summers, seconded by Easterday and carried that the auditing report be accepted.

Dick Hendrick, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, nominated Russ Smith for President of the Association. It was moved by Tinsman, seconded by Rudolf and carried the nominations cease and that Russ Smith be elected President for the coming year.

Erving G. Easterday was then nominated for 1st Vice President. It was moved by Tinsman, seconded by Weston and carried that the nomination cease and Ervin G. Easterday be elected 1st Vice-President.
Chan Bailey was nominated for 2nd Vice-President. It was moved by Easterday, seconded by Rudolf and carried that nominations be closed and elective ballot cast for Chan Bailey for 2nd Vice-President.

Kermit Rudolf and Walt Petersen were each nominated for Director of Division No. 1. Jim Trull was also nominated. On a vote count Rudolf received 7 votes, Petersen received 12 votes and Trull received 10 votes. Petersen was elected to the position of Director of Division No. 1.

Rogers Neff was nominated for Director of Division No. 2. It was moved by Tinsman, seconded by Stepon and carried that Rogers Neff be elected to the position of Director of Division No. 2.

Dick Hendrick was nominated for Director of Division No. 4. It was moved by Weston, seconded by Rudolf and carried the nominations cease and Hendrick be elected to position of Director of Division No. 4.

Jim Webb was nominated for Director of Division No. 5. It was moved by Jansen, seconded by Carl Petersen and carried that the nominations cease and Jim Webb be elected to the position of Director of Division No. 5.

It was moved seconded and carried that the following persons be elected to serve as Directors at Large: Mel Stepon, Ed Armbruster and Stan Powers.

Ross Heminger expressed his thanks to the Association for being given the privilege of serving as 1st Vice President and Director and stated that he had enjoyed working with the group.

Walt Peterson requested that the Association ask D.O.E. to make changes in S.E.P.I.A. categorical exemptions as follows:

1. No need for Environmental Impact Statement when some other governmental agency has made one.

2. Should not be necessity for E.I.S. when lands are already under (irrigation) cultivation.

3. Installation of pipe 8" or less does not require E.I.S. Why should larger pipe require it? Suggest 8" pipe be changed to 18" size.

Peterson requested the Legislative Committee to make such other changes as it deems advisable.

It was moved by Peterson, seconded by Trull and carried that the Legislative Committee be authorized and empowered to request such changes as listed above.

President Russ Smith thanked Ross Heminger for a job well done.

It was moved by Rudolf, seconded by Powers and passed that legislation be introduced to raise Directors of Irrigation Districts pay per day to $50. This to be permissive legislation. This matter was voted on by those present. The majority was in favor of the motion.

It was moved by Nutley, seconded by Weston and carried that legislation be introduced to make permissive to use Revolving Fund for payment of all charges against District for O&M and to send only voucher approval form to County Auditor.
Representative Irv Newhouse spoke to those present regarding the investment of irrigation district surplus funds and the duplication of work being done by the County Treasurers and the irrigation districts. He suggested that some language be lifted out of some other law, possibly the P.U.D. law, which would simplify some of the present procedures.

Russ Smith stated that he thought this was a point well taken and a meeting was suggested between the Association Board Members, Newhouse, State Auditor and the County Treasurers. He further suggested that such a meeting should be arranged.

It was moved by Weston, seconded by Powers and carried that the President name a committee or person to meet with the State Auditor to continue searching the audits for information to be passed on to the irrigation districts.

It was moved by Armbruster, seconded by Peterson and carried that the Board of Directors and Legislative Committee be authorized to make legislative decisions regarding the support or opposition of other legislation.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary

Director's Meeting

October 14, 1976

It was moved by Easterday, seconded by Peterson and carried that Rosadell S. Nutley be appointed Secretary-Treasurer for the coming year.

It was moved by Easterday, seconded by Neff and carried that Van E. Nutley be appointed Liaison Officer for the coming year, with out of pocket expense to be paid by the Association.

Meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Rosadell S. Nutley, Secretary
To Directors, Secretaries and Managers of all Irrigation Districts:

Many irrigation districts were not represented at the Annual Meeting of the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts and this communication is an attempt to identify, for all districts, areas of action by districts which have been questioned by the State Auditor during the last several months. Mr. Darrell Russell, Chief Examiner, Division of Municipal Corporations, has made available information from which this report was prepared.

1. Compensation of irrigation district Directors must be fixed by resolution of the Board of Directors and entered in the minutes of its proceedings.

2. Salaries of public officials (Directors) may not be increased during their term of office.

3. Reimbursement of officers and employees expense should not be made without the proper substantiation of expense and certification by the claimant as required by R.C.W. 42.24.090 and DMC Bulletin No. 008.

4. If your district belongs to the Social Security Program, Directors, as well as employees must belong to the system.

5. Directors who are compensated for the time spent holding meetings, etc., are entitled to workers compensation benefits and such time spent should be reported as employment to the Department of Labor and Industries.

6. No Director may be compensated personally or through a company or partnership for work performed or equipment used or for supplies furnished in excess of two hundred dollars in any one calendar month. See R.C.W. 42.23.030

7. District accounting records must show separately the interest portion of each payment which contains interest.

8. If irrigation district books include depreciation of plant and/or equipment, the entry should be credited to accumulated depreciation.

Most other items questioned by the Auditor's office during the past year were considered to be of minor importance. The Auditor's office is preparing a bulletin on one or two items, not listed here, which it considers to be of major importance.

Van E. Mutley,  
Legislative and Liaison Officer  
State Association of  
Washington Irrigation Districts

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4-Chelan, Ferry, Okanogan
5-Adams, Douglas, Grant, Lincoln
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STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Program

Wednesday and Thursday, October 13 and 14, 1976

Wednesday Evening
8:00 - Board Meeting

Thursday Morning
Russell Smith, President, Presiding

8:45 - Registration and coffee

9:30 - President's Report
Russell Smith, President

9:50 - Secretary's Report
Rosedell S. Nutley, Secretary

9:55 - Appointment of Auditing and Nominating Committees

10:00 - Legislative Committee Report
Ross Heminger, Chairman

10:15 - Columbia Basin Water Safety Council- Velda Shallenberger, Secretary

10:25 - Study Concerning Interrelationship of Wildlife & Irrigation Development- Blair Wolfley, Coordinator

10:50 - Problems Concerning Irrigation District Audits - Van E. Nutley

11:15 - Update on Water Pollution Regulations - Glen Fiedler, D.O.E.

11:40 - Recess

12:00 - Luncheon - WAPATO ROOM

Thursday Afternoon

Ross Heminger, 1st V-President, Presiding

1:15 - Panel: Legal Matters Relating to Irrigation Districts
Paul Lemargie, Moderator

3:15 - Recess (coffee)

3:30 - Report of Auditing Committee
Report of Nominating Committee

Election of Officers

Other Business to come before the Association

4:30 - Adjournment

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Joint Dinner with Washington State Reclamation Association

6:30 - Attitude Adjustment Hour (No Host)

7:30 - Dinner Speaker
Honorable Mike McCormack
STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT

CASH BALANCE - August 31, 1975  $ 342.08

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Total Receipts 6,685.50

Total Including Balance  $7,027.58

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Total Expenditures  $4,800.18

Deposits to Savings 1,465.00

$6,265.18

CASH BALANCE - SEPTEMBER 30, 1976

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