

STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

MINUTES of the Ninth Annual Meeting of the Association held on October 29 and 30, 1954 at the Pacific Power & Light Co. Auditorium in Yakima, Washington:

President's Report - President Fred Beisner called attention to the 38 districts listed on the back of the meeting program which have contributed dues to the Association for the year 1954. He mentioned that the purpose of the Association is mainly to promote good irrigation farming and to gather information so the Directors and management of the irrigation districts in the state may have the information that is most important to them and in which they are most interested. He called particular attention to the drafts of bills which had been prepared for introduction in the next session of the State Legislature, particularly the bill on voting in irrigation district elections, which he said had taken a lot of work by the Legislative Committee and Directors of the Association.

Treasurer's Report:- The report of the treasurer showed a cash balance on hand as of October 31, 1954 of \$2,183.36. A committee was appointed to audit the treasurer's books consisting of: H. E. Alexander, C. A. Tissell, and Chris Larsen.

The President read a letter of resignation from the Board of Directors of Mr. J. K. Cheadle of Spokane and announced the appointment of Mr. Kermit Rudolf in his place.

Victor V. Bruns, Agronomist of the Irrigation Experiment Station at Prosser, gave a talk, illustrated with colored slides, on "New Developments in Aquatic Weed Control." The room was darkened so the Secretary took no notes.

Mr. Beisner then read three proposed amendments to irrigation district laws, covering changes in the law regarding elections in irrigation districts, posting or publishing of the delinquent list, and sales of property for delinquent irrigation district assessments. These were called to the attention of those present at the meeting so they could be studied and discussed and voted upon the next morning.

Mr. Hugh B. Chapman, the Manager of the Social Security Administration at Yakima discussed "Social Security and the Farmer". This talk covered the new amendment to the social security laws which included farmers and farm workers under social security. There was much discussion and many questions on this subject. Mr. Chapman was very cooperative in answering the questions put him altho there were many aspects to the new ruling which were still uncertain.

Mr. Hub Walter, ~~Adm. Assis~~ of the Columbia Basin Commission, then requested permission to explain the sugar beet situation, particularly as affects the Columbia Basin, stating that the American sugar grower is penalized, being permitted to supply only 28 percent of the sugar consumed in America. He asked that the Association authorize ~~the~~ a resolution of protest to be sent to Congressmen and the Secretary of Agriculture.

During an evening session, presided over by Mr. Paul Lemargie as substitute for Mr. Harry Olson, Mr. Charles L. Powell of Kennewick and Mr. Stephen E. Chaffee of Sunnyside spoke on L.I.D.s in Irrigation Districts and Drainage Problems & Laws, respectively, both stating it was desirable that the laws governing these should be amended. It was suggested that Mr. Powell and Mr. Chaffee should draft such amendments and present them to the Association Board of Directors and Legislative Committee for action.

The program on Saturday morning was mostly devoted to a panel on the subject "Federal Farm Program - Subsidies and Controls". The session was presided over by Mr. H. R. Praetorius of Tieton and Mr. Robert L. Tolson of the NBC of Yakima acted as Moderator.

On the panel were Mr. John Chinn, Manager of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation, Yakima; Mr. Ernest Myers, cattleman of Outlook; Mr. William Hjertoos, President of the Washington Milk Producers Association of Seattle; and Mr. Joe Dwyer of Ellensburg. Subsidies, crop and acreage controls, and other aspects of the federal farm program were reviewed.

After considerable discussion and questions relating to the Federal Farm Program, the drafts of three amendments to irrigation district laws as prepared and proposed to be introduced in the 1955 session of the State Legislature by the Association were read, with the following results:

Posting or Publishing of Delinquent Lists: Moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the Association go on record as approving the draft.

Sale of Property for Delinquent Irrigation District Assessments: Moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the Association go on record as approving the draft.

Voting in Irrigation District Elections: Moved, seconded and approved with two votes "No" that the draft be approved, including the wording "or 50% of the landowners".

The Nominating Committee then made its report and the following officers and directors were unanimously elected:

President - A. D. MacKelvie, Zillah, Wash.
Vice Presidents - David P. Brown, Okanogan, Wash.
 Keith J. McDaniels, Sunnyside, Wash.
Directors for three year terms:
Division 2 - H. deSchepper, Pasco, Wash.
Division 3 - G. L. Sterling, Ellensburg, Wash.
Division 6 - Howard M. Cameron, Sequim, Wash.

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved that the Secretary be instructed to send flowers from the Association to Harry L. Olson who was in the hospital.

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved that the Association send copies of a resolution concerning greater sugar ~~allotments~~ acreage allotments to the Secretary of Agriculture and members of Congress.

There being no other business, the meeting then adjourned.

Ted Newstrum, Secretary

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WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

SOUND IRRIGATION PROGRAMS PROMOTE PROSPERITY

OBJECTIVES:—

1—To Promote The Interests
Of Irrigated Farming

2—To Improve The Operation
Of Irrigation Districts Of
The State

3—To Act As A Clearing House
On Information
For Irrigation Districts

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT

November 1, 1953 to October 31, 1954

CASH BALANCE - NOVEMBER 1, 1953	\$ 1,339.41
RECEIPTS:	
1953 ANNUAL MEETING--Registration Fees	\$ 49.50
MEMBERSHIP DUES	<u>1,820.00</u>
 TOTAL RECEIPTS	 <u>1,869.50</u>
	\$ 3,208.91
 DISBURSEMENTS:	
SECRETARY'S SALARY	\$ 600.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES, TELEPHONE & MISC.	100.37
1953 ANNUAL MEETING COST	51.22
TRAVEL EXPENSE	23.96
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE	150.00
EXP. FLOYD HAGIE--MID-CENTURY OF PROGRESS	<u>100.00</u>
 TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	 \$ 1,025.55
CASH BALANCE - OCTOBER 31, 1954	<u>2,183.36</u>
	\$ 3,208.91

Ted Newstrum

 Ted Newstrum, Secy-Treasurer

APPROVED:
H. E. Leland

G. T. Jensen

Chris Larson

 Auditing Committee

STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - 1954-1955

		Term Expires
PRESIDENT	A. D. MCKELVER, Ellensburg, Wash. Member of Board, Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District	1955
VICE PRESIDENTS	DAVID P. BROWN, Okanogan, Wash. Soc'y-Manager, Okanogan Irrigation District	1955
	KEITH J. McMANIS, Box 239, Sunnyside, Wash. Manager, Sunnyside Valley Irrigation Dist.	1955
DIRECTORS:		
DIVISION 1	KENNETH M. RUDOLF, ¹¹⁰¹ 1102 Old National Bank Building, Spokane-1 Secretary - Bacon Tracts #14, West Farms #11, Greenacres #9, Madril, Otis Orchards #1, Spokane Valley #10 and West Farms #12.	1955
2	H. JASCHKEPPER, Box 605, Pasco, Wash. Secretary, South Columbia Basin Irrig. Dist.	1957
3	G. L. STERLING, Box 209, Ellensburg, Wash. Soc'y-Manager, Kittitas-Nachesian Dist.	1957
4	R. W. HENDRICH, Cash, Washington Formerly Board of Directors, Okanogan Irrigation District	1955
5	CHRIS LANNEN, Wilson Creek, Wash. Member of Board, East Columbia Basin I.D.	1956
6	HOWARD M. GARDNER, Route 2, Sequim, Wash. Member of Board, Bungenown Irrigation Dist.	1957
AT LARGE	G. M. ZEDINGER, Cashmere, Wash. Secretary, Tule Irrigation District	1956
	<i>Earl S. Gregory</i> <i>Box 544</i> W. E. BROWN, Cunningham, Wash. Member of Board, East Columbia Basin I.D.	1955
	CLIFFORD KALL, Route 6, Yakima, Wash. Soc'y-Manager, Yakima-Tieton Irrigation Dist.	1955
	C. O. MATHI, Route 2, Selah, Wash. President of Board, Naches-Selah Irrig. Dist.	1956
SECRETARY	Ted Houtman, Box 209, Ellensburg, Wash.	1955

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MINUTES - Board of Directors meeting Yakima, Wash., Saturday, October 30, 1954:

Present - David P. Brown, Fred Beisner, Paul E. Booker, H. deSchepper, R. W. Hendrick, Clifford Kail, Chris Larsen, C. O. Matson, William McAnlis, Kermit Rudolf, G. L. Sterling, C. M. Zediker and Ted Newstrum.

The usual meeting of the Board was held at lunch immediately after the close of the annual meeting. As the President, A. D. MacKelvie, was absent, Vice President David Brown presided.

The following were appointed on the Legislative Committee for the coming year:

C. M. Zediker
Paul E. Booker
Fred Beisner
Kermit M. Rudolf
William McAnlis

with Paul Lemargie as advisor.

The Secretary was instructed to write Stephen Chaffee and Charles Powell asking whether they would prepare drafts of legislative changes in the laws relating to crainage and L.I.D.'s in Irrigation Districts.

It was suggested the Secretary mail bills for dues for the year 1955 in time for their consideration at the first Board meetings in January. Dues to be the same scale as for 1954.

Motion was approved that Ted Newstrum be appointed Secretary-Treasurer for the year 1955 at a salary of \$60.00 per month.

There being no further immediate business, the meeting adjourned.

Ted Newstrum, Secretary