

State Association of
Washington Irrigation Districts

Program
Thursday, Nov. 8, 1962
Bureau of Reclamation Conference Room
Reclamation Bldg.

Morning Session
Henry Alexander presiding

9:45 Registration
10:00 President's Report
Appointment of nominating and auditing committees
10:20 Legislative Report
Moderator--Gale Sterling, Legislative chairman
1. Clarification of filing date in voting law--E. F. Doncaster
2. Transfer of domestic system operation to city operation--
Kermit Rudolf
3. Director pay--\$25.00 per day--Don Stock
4. Blanket Bonds--Kermit Rudolf
5. Questions
11:00 Group insurance program for irrigation districts--Harold Eidemiller
11:30 Report on Kittitas vs State Highway--Kermit Rudolf
11:40 State Highway Relocations--Henry Alexander
11:50 Luncheon--Freddy's Cafe \$2.00

Afternoon Session
Harold Eidemiller presiding

1:15 State Retirement System
1. Benefits to irrigation districts
2. Pending legislation regarding irrigation districts--
Lloyd G. Baber
1:45 Water Resource legislation
Moderator--Paul Lemargie
Statements for--Maurice Ahlquist
against--Richard Hendrick
2:30 Questions
2:40 Recess

Henry Alexander presiding

2:50 Action on legislation
3:15 Report of auditing committee
3:20 Report of nominating committee and election of officers
3:45 Other business to come before Association
4:00 Adjournment

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Minutes of Annual Meeting
November 6, 1962

The 1962 annual meeting was presented as planned with the exception that John E. Fletcher, Administrative Assistant with the State Retirement System spoke to the group instead of Lloyd G. Baker. A copy of the program is hereto attached to the proceedings.

Henry Alexander, president, presided over the morning session. A total of 61 present with 25 irrigation districts represented.

President Alexander gave the president's report and appointed the following to the nominating committee and auditing committee.

Nominating Committee

Richard Hendrick-chairman
Elden Thomas
Don Stock

R. L. Davis
Maurice Ahlquist

Auditing Committee

Rossell Hoppe, chairman
Don Storlie

E. F. Doncaster

Treasurer's annual report was given by Dave Brown, a copy is attached hereto.

Van Hatley was moderator for a panel to discuss with the group proposed legislation, to decide what is to be presented to the State Legislature.

E. F. Doncaster presented, with the help of a chart, election procedures, filing, and posting notices.

As now provided in the State Irrigation Law:

Filing Declaration of Candidacy--15 days before day of election

Filing Petition of Nomination--15 days before day of election

Posting election notices--15 days before day of election

Days between filing and posting--none

Proposed--days between filing and posting, by increasing filing time to 20 days.

Filing of one candidate's petition of nomination 5 days prior to the last date for filing a petition of nomination. (case where it is unnecessary to hold election.)

Kenneth Rudolf presented proposed legislation regarding transfer of domestic system operation to city operation. Mr. Rudolf stated that the only change in the present law would be to add "Irrigation districts or other quasi municipal organizations". He stated that at present it was possible to lease or rent and that this would only give water districts permission to sell and that irrigation districts would not have to take over or buy.

Don Stock presented to the group the proposed legislation regarding the increase of director pay from \$10 to \$25 per day and increase mileage from 8¢ to 10¢. This would be permissive legislation only and would allow irrigation districts to pay any amount up to \$25 per day or up to 10¢ per mile.

Kernit Rudolf brought before the group proposed legislation permitting the purchase of blanket bonds for directors and officials. Would not be of great consequence to larger districts, but would help the smaller irrigation districts. With a blanket bond there would be only one filing and recording and about 30% would be saved in premiums.

Harold Eldemiller introduced Dwight Jordan who gave the group a rundown on group insurance through the State Association.

Kernit Rudolf reported on the Kittitas vs State Highway suit. Mr. Rudolf stated that the Dept. of Conservation had intervened, upholding the constitutionality of the act. He had worked out a brief statement of facts and all agreed on the legal problems involved. The Judge held that some payments would have to be made. The court held the statute was constitutional.

The appeal by the State Highway will not come up before late spring and probably no decision will be reached before a year from now.

The court does hold with the irrigation districts position, notwithstanding the State Highway holds that lands taken from irrigation districts for State Highway right-of-way is not compensable property, that payment would be in violation of the 18th amendment and also a tax violation of the 14th amendment.

Henry Alexander brought before the group the idea of trying to get the State Highway to relocate proposed highway rights-of-way that go through irrigation districts, to a location where they will not interfere with irrigation districts to too great an extent. The idea is to keep highways out of highly developed lands if at all reasonable.

John P. Fletcher of the State Retirement System spoke to the group on the benefits of State Retirements to employees of irrigation districts. He also brought out that there is pressure being brought in the form of legislation to form a new board to invest funds of the State Retirement System. They are against any legislation of this kind.

Paul Lemargie moderated a for and against panel between Maurice Ahlquist and Dick Hendrick on the new water resource bill. The arguments ran hot and heavy for a while. In the discussion the bill was well covered with both faults and advantages brought out. The Association took no action for or against the proposed measure.

Henry Alexander, presiding, asked for action on legislation discussed in the morning session.

Motion was made, seconded and passed to sponsor legislation on classification of filing date in voting law.

Regarding amendment to water district law, it was again discussed and decided that the Association would back but not sponsor the bill. Kernit Rudolf would get someone to sponsor the bill. Motion to that effect was made, seconded and passed.

Motion was made, seconded and passed to sponsor permissive legislation to increase directors pay to \$25 per day and 10¢ per mile.

Motion made, seconded and passed that Association sponsor legislation which would make it optional for a district to procure blanket bonds or position schedule bonds for its directors and secretary in lieu of individual bonds. This sponsorship to take place if an opinion from Attorney General indicates such legislation is needed.

Roswell Hoppe, chairman of the auditing committee, reported that records and statement of treasurer were examined and found that all receipts and disbursements were in order. Mrs. Hoppe moved that report be accepted. It was seconded and passed.

Richard Hendrick, chairman of the nominating committee reported that following nominees had been selected by the committee.

President	Henry Alexander
1st Vice President	Van E. Nutley
2nd Vice President	Harold Eidemiller

Director 5 th District	R. C. Fancher
Directors at large	Calvin Liebel
	Don Stock

Motion was made, seconded and passed to accept report of nominating committee.

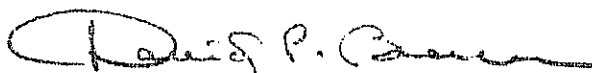
There were no nominations from the floor.

The full slate of officers were voted on and duly elected.

Van Nutley was given vote of approval for his work on Legislative Committee.

There was a standing vote of approval to the program committee.

Motion was made, seconded and passed at 4:00 p.m. to adjourn.



David P. Brown, Secretary

State Association of
Washington Irrigation Districts

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Granger, Wash.
Nov. 20, 1962

Dave Brown--Secretary
State Assn. of Washington
Irrigation Districts
Okanogan, Wash.

Dear Dave;

The following is the list of persons I am appointing to the
Legislative Committee.

Will you please send this list to each of them, together with a
statement that they have been appointed.

Gale Sterling, chairman	Box 209, Ellensburg, Wash.
Kornit Rudolf	1101 Old Nat'l Bank Bldg. Spokane, Wash.
Paul Lemergie	1550 C St. SW Ephrata, Wash.
Don Stock	Box 8, Selah, Wash.
Harold Eidenmiller	Box 1006, Pasco, Wash.
Ronadell Hoppe	Box 615, Kennewick, Wash.
Bill McAnlis	Box 1487, Othello, Wash.
Richard Hendrick	Omak, Wash.
Maurice Alquist	Touchet, Wash.
Lionel Wolfe	Old Nat'l Bank Bldg. Spokane 1, Wash.

I was in to see Van this afternoon and find he is leaving for
Jordan this coming Saturday. He expects to be gone three months, I
think. He really didn't say just when he would be back.

The legislative session isn't very far off and I'm sure some of
the members will want to contact their representative prior to the
session.

Sincerely,

H. E. Alexander
President

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STATE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1963-1964
~~1962-63~~

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Term Expires

PRESIDENT:	H. H. ALEXANDER, Granger, Washington	1963 6
VICE PRESIDENTS:	1st Director, Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District VAN E. NUTLEY, Sunnyside, Washington Manager, Rose Irrigation District	1963 6
	2nd HAROLD J. EIDEMILLER, Box 1006, Pasco, Washington Secretary, South Columbia Basin Irrig. District	1963 6
DIRECTORS:	2nd Don Stonie	
DIVISION 1	KERMIT M. RUDOLF, 1101 Old Nat'l Bank Bldg. Spokane, Wash., Sec., Bacon Tracts, East Farms Hippocres, Model, Otis Orchards, Spokane Valley, West Farms Irrigation Districts	1964 6
" 2	MAURICE AHLQUIST, Touchet, Washington farmer and Member of Interstate Compact Commission	1963 66
" 3	H. J. STELLING, Box 209, Ellensburg, Washington Secretary-Manager, Kittitas Reclamation District	1963 66
" 4	RON SWOPE, Brewster Dam Irrigation Dist, Sec-Mgr Brewster, Washington <i>Richard Hendrick</i>	1963 6
" 5	H. G. FANCHER, Palisades, Washington Director Palisades Irrigation District	1965
AT LARGE:	RICHARD W. HENDRICK, Omak, Washington <i>Henry Alexander</i> Director, Okanogan Irrigation District	1963 6
	MEL STROPON, Rt. 1, Box 150, Quincy, Washington Director, Quincy-Col. Basin Irrigation Dist.	1964
	MEL HAGOOD, 1007 Stassen Way, Grandview, Wash. Extension Service, Washington State University	1964
	CALVIN R. LIEBEL, Box 615, Kennewick, Washington Manager, Kennewick Irrigation District	1965
	DON STOCK, Selah, Washington Manager, Naches-Selah Irrigation District	1965
SEC'Y-TREASURER:	DAVID P. BROWN, Okanogan, Washington Sec'y-Manager, Okanogan Irrigation District	

DIRECTOR DIVISIONS:

- 1-PEND ORIELLE, SPOKANE, STEVENS, WHITMAN
- 2-ASOTIN, COLUMBIA, GARFIELD, WALLA WALLA
- 3-BENTON, KITTYIAS, ALICKITAT, YAKIMA
- 4-CHELAN, FERRY, OKANOGAN
- 5-ADAMS, DOUGLAS, GIANT, LINCOLN, FRANKLIN
- AT LARGE--~~FORMER DISTRICT 6, WHICH INCLUDED ALL OTHER COUNTIES OF THE STATE, WAS PLACED UNDER DIRECTOR AT LARGE AT THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD OCT. 25 & 26, 1957.~~

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

- ~~Van E. Nutley, Sunnyside, Chairman~~
- ~~Harold Eidemiller, Pasco, Chairman~~
- ~~Kermit Rudolf, Spokane~~
- ~~Don Stock, Selah~~
- ~~Rosadell Hoppe, Kennewick~~
- ~~Dick Hendrick, Omak~~
- ~~Lionel Wolfe, Spokane~~
- ~~William McAnlis, Othello~~
- ~~Maurice Ahlquist, Touchet~~
- ~~Henry Alexander, Granger~~
- ~~Don Stonie, Brewster~~
- ADVISORY MEMBER

- Accounting Committee
William McAnlis - Chairman
- Bylaw Committee
- Calvin Liebel - Chairman
- Publicity Committee
A. L. C.

Paul Lemargie, Ephrata, Ex officio
Advisor