

STATE ASSOCIATION
OF WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS
Okanogan, Washington

February 24, 1965

Directors and legislative committee met February 24, 1965 at the Home District office.

Present were Dick Hendrick, Mel Egge, Bud Cory, Don Storlie, Van Nutley, Paul LaFargie, Henry Alexander, Elmer McDaniel, Rosadell Hoppe, and George O'Brian.

Don Storlie, chairman of the meeting, called attention to SB 458, which would call for bids on any construction costing over \$2500. Those present unanimously opposed this bill and agreed that it should be brought to the attention of our legislators by all those present and other irrigation districts.

Water right bills HB 231, fees increased for instruments and 266, water use rights and relinquishments, both departmental requests are not going to be pushed due to the Association opposition.

Regarding payment of irrigation assessment on state lands; a meeting was held some weeks ago between a few members of the State Association and the Central Budget Committee. At that time it seemed that lack of knowledge of procedures was slowing up payment. At the present meeting it was the consensus of opinion that all interested districts should be made conscious and be given proper procedures. Rosadell Hoppe will contact Central Budget Agency for information needed.

Dick Hendrick moved that Kermit Rudolf be authorized to proceed to help clarify regulations with Central Budget Agency. Seconded and passed.

It was mentioned again the Association should work for all bills that irrigation districts want and fight against all those detrimental to our operation.

Dick Hendrick, speaking for the Columbia Basin Commission, requested a representative from the State Association at their next meeting to work on Interstate Compact. Henry Alexander moved Dick Hendrick be appointed and Van Nutley as alternate. Mel Egge seconded. Passed.

Rosadell Hoppe was appointed as temporary chairman of the legislative committee during the convalescence of Harold Sidmiller.

SB 427 is a new water resource bill and was considered worthy of consideration. It is not as unsightly as previous bill, is nonpartisan and pollution is an special department as is power.

David P. Brown, Secretary