

STATE ASSOCIATION OF  
WASHINGTON IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Ephrata, WA

Director's Meeting

March 1, 1973

The following persons attended the meeting:

Henry F. Vancik	President	Rosadell Hoppe	Secretary
Russell Smith	V-President		

Board Members:

Ervin G. Easterday  
Elmer McDaniels  
Dick Hendrick  
Gary Weston  
Mel Stepon  
Cal Liebel

Committee Members:

Henry Alexander  
Van E. Nutley  
Paul Lemargie

Others present were: Dick Gray, Columbia Basin Project Manager, Doug Finkelnberg, Quincy Columbia Basin Irrigation District, Fred Hahn, Department of Ecology, Ray J. Orr, Okanogan Irrigation District.

Those present were informed that Eldon Thomas was ill and unable to attend.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the possibility of getting matching funds from the Federal government for those funds which may be available from funds supplied by Referendum 27, and to confer with Fred Hahn, Department of Ecology, regarding the procuring of the Referendum 27 funds. There was a long discussion of all matters relating with Mr. Hahn and Mr. Gray and, after careful consideration, it was moved by Smith, seconded by Nutley and carried that the State Association of Washington Irrigation Districts go on record supporting the maximizing of the Referendum 27 funds that can be allocated to agricultural irrigation development to the most practical division between authorized new construction projects and needed rehabilitation and betterment investments within irrigation districts. The repayment of these funds would match the Federal Government repayment.

A letter is to be written to Mr. John Biggs, Director of the Department of Ecology, with copies to Fred Hahn and John Current, Office of Program Planning and Fiscal Management, State of Washington, quoting the above motion.

It was moved by Easterday, seconded by Liebel and carried that the Legislative Body be informed that the Association supported HB No. 749.

Dick Gray informed those present that the regulations set up by the Environmental Protection Agency were not yet firm. He said that the districts would just have to wait for further information concerning this problem.

It was moved by McDaniels, seconded by Weston and carried that the SAWID join the Canadian Water Resources Association, said membership to be \$100.00.

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It was moved by Nutley, seconded by Hendrick and carried that the minutes of the Director's Meeting, October 25, the Annual Meeting, October 26, the Director's Meeting October 26 and the Director's Meeting December 15, 1972 be approved.

The abandoned right-of-way bill, House Bill No. 60, was discussed briefly.

Meeting closed at 11:45 a.m.

*Rosadell Hoppe*  
Rosadell Hoppe, Secretary