

Minutes
IDDA Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, March 22, 2017
Pocahontas County Courthouse

President Keith Dencklau called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. All board members were present. Also present was IDDA Executive Director John Torbert.

Minutes - The minutes of the 1/11/17 meeting were approved as written on motion by Quastad and second by McGregor.

County Visits – John reported that he had visited Calhoun and Worth Counties since the last board meeting.

Membership Report – John presented the board with a membership report for 2016-17\

Financial Reports – John provided a copy of the February financial report

February, 2016 financial report

Expenses of \$132,629.82 or 69.33% of budget

Income was \$158,754.72 or 89.19% of budget

For the **litigation fund**, thus far this year, the litigation fund has had expenses of \$109,427.50 and income of \$92,267.66 (plus a carry-over balance of \$100,582.43)

The financial reports were approved on motion by McGregor and second by Pedersen

DMWW lawsuit and fundraising– John brought the board up to date on the status of the DMWW lawsuit. The Iowa Supreme Court decided the state questions in favor of the drainage districts and the federal judge then dismissed the suit. DMWW could still appeal so we await the status of that. The counties still have outstanding legal bills and there could be more legal work forthcoming so it was the consensus of the board that the third year of the county DMWW legal assessments should be billed with the dues with the understanding that it could be returned if not needed. John also provided the board with an extensive analysis of the lawsuit that had been performed by IDDA legal counsel.

CFS Update – John updated the board on the status of the CFS program and provided the board with the latest spreadsheets on the program.

Annual Meeting – John provided the board with a summary analysis of the meeting evaluation forms. After discussion of the board, it was the consensus that we should stay at the same location and go back to our original date of the first Monday in

Legislative Report – John provided the board with an extensive legislative report along with some copies of legislation being considered.

Banking Issue– John reported that US bank has started to charge a monthly service charge of \$10 on all accounts. He had contacted them but at least initially, they were unwilling to waive the charge. John was directed to investigate the possibility of switching to another bank in the Humboldt area. The options that were discussed were Northwest bank, 1st state bank and Bank Iowa. It was also suggested by our accountant that if we are considering moving banks, that we should also relocate the legal account out of Edward Jones so that all the accounts could be together. John will report back to the board.

Next meeting date – The next meeting of the board will be Wednesday, June 21st, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

John T. Torbert

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Executive Director