



Minutes

President Huffman called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and Mr. Freeman called roll.

Directors:

Gene Huffman, President
David McKenzie, Vice President
Kirk Rathbun
Arland Ward
Griffin Hanberg

Staff Present:

Charles Freeman, District Manager
Stuart Dezember, Comptroller/Treasurer
Seth Defoe, Land and Water Resources Manager
Ben Woodard, Engineering and Operations Manager
Lori Gibson, Executive Assistant
Matthew Berglund, Public Relations Coordinator

Other Persons Present:

John Crotty, Western Legal

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Vice President McKenzie moved to approve the agenda. Director Ward seconded. The motion carried.

Executive Session: At 9:00 a.m., Mr. Freeman announced on behalf of the presiding officer that the Board would go into executive session at 9:05 a.m. to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g), for approximately 6 hours unless extended.

At 3:05 p.m. executive session was extended until approximately 6:35 p.m.

Open Session: At 6:28 p.m. the meeting resumed in open session.

Vice President McKenzie moved to offer Shane Leonard as the next General Manager of Kennewick Irrigation District, with the salary and start date to be negotiated. Director Rathbun seconded. The motion carried.

President Huffman called for a motion to adjourn.

Director Rathbun moved to adjourn at 6:31 p.m. Director Ward seconded. The motion carried.

Attest:

Witness:

Gene Huffman, Board President
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Charles Freeman, Board Secretary

Prepared by Lori Gibson