



ISDOC Executive Committee (Virtual Meeting via Zoom)

July 6, 2021

Minutes

I. Welcome

President Mark Monin called the meeting to order at 7:31 a.m.

Mark Monin, President (ETWD)

Arlene Schafer, 1st Vice President (CMSD)

Bob McVicker, 2nd Vice President (MWDOC)

Brooke Jones, 3rd Vice President (YLWD)

Greg Mills, Secretary (SWD)

Bill Green, Treasurer (SCWD)

Sandra Jacobs, Immediate Past President (SMWD)

Others Present:

Larry Dick, Board Member (MWDOC)

Stacy Taylor, Water Policy Manager (Mesa WD)

Heather Baez, Government Affairs Manager (MWDOC)

Laura Heflin, Administrative Assistant (Serrano WD)

Kay Havens, Director (ETWD)

Alison Martin (YLWD)

Paul Mesmer (Surfside Colony Community)

Tina Dubuque (MWDOC)

Stephen Faessel (City of Anaheim)

John Withers (OCSD)

Raymond Barragan (OC LAFCO)

II. Minutes

The minutes of the June 1, 2021 meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved via roll call vote with a motion made by Director Schafer and seconded by Director Jacobs.

III. Public Comments

- Heather Baez reported that the MWDOC Planning and operations meeting is starting promptly at 8:30 a.m. this morning so it is essential that the ISDOC meeting be adjourned on time to ensure that she and Tina will be able to attend. President Monin replied that the meeting will be adjourned on a timely basis.
- Stacy requested that COVID be agendized for the August meeting to discuss how agencies have been responding and resuming operations. President Monin concurred.
- Stacy thanked the executive membership for their letter of support relating to the sand erosion issue. It has gotten good traction and positive feedback is being received. Director Mesmer stated that they are receiving a lot of resolutions from municipalities, etc., as a result of the letter of support and thanked everybody. Director Jacobs stated that ISDOC executive committee members may want to establish criteria in terms of what ISDOC supports to avoid conflicting items.

IV. New Business

- President Monin requested input from all attendees regarding potential dues holidays for 2021 for special districts and associate members. Director Jacobs stated that she would support another dues holiday due to the funds that we have available. Director Schafer agreed with Director Jacobs especially as we are trying to grow the membership. Director Mills enquired about expenses that may be pending. President Monin responded that ISDOC is in a good financial position. Director Green enquired about past discussion related to funds required for a legal issue. President Monin responded that we will look into this further and stated that this may be related to a tax issue.
- Heather Baez remarked that discussion in the past had related to scholarship funding including the CSDA conference and other training sessions and wondered if this should be readdressed. The option of not charging associate members but charging regular members was also discussed. President Monin remarked that he would like to offer no charge to associate members in order to attract new members. President Monin additionally remarked that he was not in favor of scholarships due to the fact that this is the public's money. However, he is open to discussion. Director Jacobs stated that scholarship funding requires specific criteria to assist special districts to attend conferences. Various seminars, including the Form 700 specifically, were discussed. Scholarship funding will be agendized for the August meeting to allow for voting and further discussion. Director Mills stated that Director Schafer makes a good point in that we have close to 30 special districts here in Orange County that do need assistance and agreed with the holiday option for dues. Director Schafer will follow up on other complimentary Form 700 seminars offered and will report back.

V. Old Business

- President Monin reported that the first run of the ISDOC website looks amazing and solicited input from other members. Maria is doing a fantastic job. Members, associate

members and calendar events will be listed, but we are approaching one step at a time at this point. President Monin reported that Stacy said that she would like to have the website committee up and running again. Stacy stated that she is soliciting feedback from members with an August deadline. Stacy stated that it would be great to get headshots and potential short biographies from executive committee members.

- Relating to ISDOC going live with the quarterly and monthly executive committee meetings, President Monin stated that it appears as though the technology is there to support a hybrid model based upon his research with MWDOC and OCWD. President Monin remarked that he felt it was important to retain the hybrid model in order to include out-of-town speakers. Input was solicited. Director Schafer requested an update from Heather relating to this topic. Heather reported that the MWDOC office is under construction through November. However, the Board meeting room is available. Heather felt that the quarterly meeting option made the most sense. She will discuss with the General Manager to determine if there are any costs involved and will report back next month. President Monin thanked Heather for the update.

VI. Treasurer's Report – Director Green

- Director Green reported that there is currently \$12,329.54 in the Union Bank account as of July 6th.

VII. CSDA Report – Director Schafer

- Director Schafer reported that she hoped all agencies had voted in the CSDA Seat A election. The annual conference is scheduled August 30 – September 2 in Monterey. Reservations should be made quickly. The Board Secretary/Clerk Conference is scheduled for October 25 – October 27 locally at Embassy Suites in Anaheim. The Professional Development Community and nominations were discussed. The next CSDA Board meeting is scheduled for August 30.

VIII. LAFCO Report – Director Fisler

- Stacy reported that Director Fisler is unable to attend this meeting due to interviews previously scheduled. No report given.

IX. ACWA Report – Director Jacobs

- Director Jacobs reported that Cathy Green from OCWD is running for the Vice President seat for the ACWA Board. Please check your ACWA news—the Spring Conference is now on demand on their website for downloading. ACWA Virtual Regional Event series is coming up, "Zooming through California." This will include Regions 1, 5, 3 and 8. Sessions are held through September dealing with regional drought impacts. Please look at www.saveourwater.com to review information available on the drought and associated tools. Members were encouraged to reach out to Director Jacobs directly

with questions. President Monin reported that he was on the Finance Committee and that the Audit went well. Additionally, there was an offer made on the downtown Sacramento building by another public agency. Hopefully, this will close at some point.

X. OCCOG Report – Director Scheafer

- OCCOG Report – Director Monin reported that Director Scheafer was not able to attend today’s meeting but reported that a long-closed session was held and a couple of members had been added.


XI. Orange County Operational Area Report – Vicki Obsorn

- President Monin reported that Vicki was unable to attend today’s meeting but a thorough update had been provided at the previous WACO meeting.

XII. Subcommittee Reports

- Programs – Director Schafer reported our guest speaker from the Great Park is looking forward to presenting at the July ISDOC luncheon. Jeanette from the Placentia Library District has presented a bio and will be our spotlighted member. Associate Member, Former Senator Dick Ackerman, will also be sharing a few words and has provided a bio.
- Membership - Director McVicker reported that letters are being developed with the membership committee to be sent to associates of CSDA in order to enhance membership. President Monin requested that letters be sent to him for review when complete.
- Legislative – Director Jones reported on legislation including the written legislative report previously submitted. The budget bills have been signed by the Governor. Summer recess is July 16 through August 16. The House of Representatives passed the \$715B Invest in America Act, including \$117B for drinking water and \$51.25B for water infrastructure. SB-45 and AB-1500 are stalled at this point. Many other assembly and senate bills were reviewed. PFAS prohibited in food packaging and cookware will be going to the Senate Environmental Quality Committee on July 7. President Monin remarked that this was an excellent report.

XIII. Adjourn: President Monin thanked the various attendees for their assistance and participation. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 a.m.

Signed: 
ISDOC Secretary

Date: July 6, 2021