MINUTES

Oakdale, California November 5, 2013

The Board of Directors of the Oakdale Irrigation District invited all to recite the Pledge of Allegiance and then met in Regular Session at the hour of 9:00 a.m. The following Directors were present:

Directors: Frank B. Clark, President

Steve Webb, Vice President

Herman Doornenbal

Al Bairos, Jr.,

Absent: Jack D. Alpers

Staff Present: Steve Knell, General Manager/Secretary

Kathy Cook, Chief Financial Officer

Jason Jones, Support Services Manager Eric Thorburn, Water Operations Manager

ADDITION OR DELETION OF AGENDA ITEMS

There were no additions or deletions of agenda items.

ACTION TO TAKE VARIOUS ITEMS OUT OF SEQUENCE

There were no items taken out of sequence.

At the hour of 9:02 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT ITEM NO. 1

There being no public comment, public comment closed at 9:01 a.m.

CONSENT ITEMS ITEM NOS. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13

ITEM NO. 2 <u>APPROVE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MINUTES</u> <u>OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 15, 2013</u> AND RESOLUTION NOS. 2013-86, 2013-87, 2013-88, and 2013-89

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Board of Directors' Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 15, 2013 and Resolution Nos. 2013-86, 2013-87, 2013-88, and 2013-89.

ITEM NO. 3 APPROVE THE OAKDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Oakdale Irrigation District Statement of Obligations.

ITEM NO. 4 <u>APPROVE OID IMPROVEMENT</u> <u>DISTRICT STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS</u>

A motion as made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Oakdale Irrigation District Improvement District Statement of Obligations.

ITEM NO. 4 <u>APPROVE TREASURER AND CHIEF FINANCIAL</u> <u>OFFICER'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2013</u>

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer's Report for the Month ending September 30, 2013.

ITEM NO. 5 <u>APPROVE ASSIGNMENT OF</u> CAPITOL WORK ORDER NUMBERS

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the assignment of Capitol Work Order numbers set forth below:

<u>Facility</u>	Project Description	Estimated Cost	Work Order No.
VAMP Pipeline	SlipMeter Installation	\$ 95,900	2013-034
Brichetto/Mootz Lateral	Installation of 2-FlumeGates and 2-sill walls and relocation of the existing Keeley Pipeline headgate.	272,400	2013-035
Palmer Lateral	Remove and upgrade turnout Gate with 18" Fresno 20-10C slid gate.	3,300 de	2013-036
Union Lateral	Relocation of 1350 LF of 18" 100 PIP PVC and installation of 2-18 Fresno 101C slide gates and a control structure.	,	2013-037

<u>Facility</u>	Project Description	Estimated Cost	Work Order No.		
Burnett Lateral	Replace 6-turnouts including structures, slide gates, starter couplers, 150' of 100 PIP PVC and necessary appurtenances.	69,200	2013-038		
Campbell Lateral	Remove and upgrade turnout gate with 18" Fresno 20-10C slide gate.	3,700 e	2013-039		
CANCELLED WORK ORDERS					
Crouch Lateral	Replace and upgrade turnout ga	te 2,000	2013-006		

with 12" Fresno 101C slide gate.

ITEM NO. 7 <u>APPROVE BOARD ATTENDANCE AT ACWA</u> FALL CONFERENCE IN LOS ANGELES DECEMBER 3-6, 2013

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve Board attendance at ACWA Fall Conference in Los Angeles December 3-6, 2013.

ITEM NO. 8 <u>APPROVE FENCING AGREEMENT ON THE</u> <u>BURNETT LATERAL (APN: 002-051-008 – JESS)</u>

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Fencing Agreement on the Burnett Lateral (APN: 002-051-008 – Jess).

ITEM NO. 9 <u>APPROVE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT ON THE STUDE PIPELINE</u> AND MOULTON PIPELINE (APN: 006-004-010 – TILBURY ORCHARDS, LLC)

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Encroachment Permit on the Stude Pipeline and Moulton Pipeline (APN: 006-004-010 – Tilbury Orchards, LLC).

ITEM NO. 10 <u>APPROVE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT ON THE CHAPPEL DRAIN</u> (APN: 229-220-030 – LONGSTRETH FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP)

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Encroachment Permit on the Chappel Drain (APN: 229-220-030 – Longstreth Family Limited Partnership).

ITEM NO. 11 <u>APPROVE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT ON THE CHAPPEL PIPELINE</u> (APN: 229-220-004 – R & S LONGSTRETH LIMITED PARTNERSHIP)

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Encroachment Permit on the Chapel Pipeline (APN: 229-220-004 – R & S Longstreth Limited Partnership).

ITEM NO. 12 <u>APPROVE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT ON THE SOUTH</u> MAIN CANAL (APN: 011-001-026 – TRINITAS 321 LLC)

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Encroachment Permit on the South Main Canal (APN: 011-001-026 – Trinitas 321 LLC).

ITEM NO. 13 <u>APPROVE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT ON THE</u> <u>BURNETT LATERAL (APN: 006-082-001 – SHIVELY)</u>

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Encroachment Permit on the Burnett Lateral (APN: 006-082-001 – Shively).

ACTION ITEMS NOS. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20

ITEM NO. 14 REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON A RESOLUTION SETTING DOMESTIC WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE CHARGES AND OTHER RELATED CHARGES FOR THE YEAR 2014

Staff met with 4 of the 6 domestic water improvement district (ID) committees during the month of October. Improvement District Nos. 22 and 49 committee members did not attend their scheduled meeting. The lack of participation from ID committees continues to be an issue of concern by staff.

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Resolution Setting Domestic Water Improvement District Operation and Maintenance Charges and Other Related Charges for the Year 2014.

ITEM NO. 15 REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON A RESOLUTION SETTING DOMESTIC WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT RESERVE FUND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE YEAR 2014

As approved by the landowners of ID 46, 49, and 51, staff is submitting the attached resolution for 2014 Capital Reserve Fund contributions.

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Resolution Setting Domestic Water Improvement District Reserve Fund Contributions for the Year 2014.

ITEM NO. 16 REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON RESOLUTION SETTING AG WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE CHARGES AND OTHER RELATED CHARGES FOR THE YEAR 2014

Staff sent letters to all landowners of each agricultural water system improvement districts during the month of October. The attached resolution provides for setting 2014 ID Operation and Maintenance (O&M) rates. It is anticipated that these O & M rates are sufficient to cover the current year's anticipated expenditures, as well as next year's anticipated expenditures.

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Resolution Setting Ag Water System Improvement District Operation and Maintenance Charges and Other Related Charges for the Year 2014.

ITEM NO. 17 REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON RESOLUTION SETTING WATER DELIVERY FEES FOR THE YEAR 2014

The attached resolution is submitted to set the surface irrigation water rates for 2014. The resolution reflects the following:

- 1. No water rate increases
- 2. Installment due dates:
 - a) Friday, December 20, 2013
 - b) Friday, June 20, 2014

As illustrated on the attached comparative table, the irrigation water rates being assessed in OID today are \$110 per acre <u>below</u> the inflationary adjusted rate. The irrigation water rate today (\$19.50 per acre) compared to the 1979 rate (\$31 per acre) has been <u>reduced</u> by \$11.50 per acre or 59%.

During 2014, the District will be preparing a Rate Study to address revenue shortfalls driven by a lack of wholesale power revenues, water transfers revenues, and legislative requirements associated with SBx7-7.

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve the Resolution Setting Water Delivery Fees for the Year 2014.

ITEM NO. 18 REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON SETTING OUT-OF-DISTRICT WATER RATE FOR 2014

The **full service cost** of water at OID (without benefit of hydro or water transfer revenues) is:

- > \$70 per acre foot, or
- > \$312 per acre.

In 2013, the water rate for irrigation of lands outside OID boundaries was increased to \$55 per acre foot in order to more closely coincide with the full service cost of water at OID and to raise the Out-of-District water rate incrementally until a rate of \$100 per acre foot is achieved by water year 2016. In keeping with that direction, the Out-of-District water rate for water year 2014 will need to be \$70 per acre foot for all measurable deliveries.

For deliveries that are not yet measurable, nor have approved measurement devices, those deliveries will be subject to a crop water duty. For water year 2014 that crop water duty will be as follows:

•	Pasture	5.5 acre feet/acre (\$385/acre)
•	Trees	4.5 acre feet/acre (\$315/acre)
•	Corn	3.5 acre feet/acre (\$245/acre)
•	Rice	4.5 acre feet/acre (\$315/acre)

(Note: This fee is based on a water rate of \$70 per acre foot at an estimated crop water duty using crop ET plus the policy allowance for a 70% application efficiency)

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to set the out-of-district water rate for 2014 in the amount of \$70 per acre foot for all measurable deliveries and apply the crop duty rate for non-measureable deliveries.

ITEM NO. 19 <u>REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON REQUEST FOR</u> <u>A ONE-YEAR WAIVER OF OUT-OF-DISTRICT FEES FOR</u> <u>ORANGE BLOSSOM PARK (APN: 010-027-007 - CORPS OF ENGINEERS)</u>

For the past several years, Oakdale Irrigation District (OID) has made water available to Orange Blossom Park through an Out-of-District Surface Irrigation Agreement. Orange

Blossom Park is owned and operated by the Army Corps of Engineers, Stanislaus River Parks (Corps) and is just one of many parks in the Stanislaus River Parks system. The Board authorized a waiver in 2012 and again in 2013. The Corps is requesting that the fees again be waived for the 2014 Irrigation Season. Their request is based on the partnership between the Corps and the District in the form of a ten year easement on a portion of Stanislaus River Parks, Honolulu Bar Recreation Area, to support the District's mitigation project referred to as "Honolulu Bar Floodplain Enhancement Project #18599." This is being brought before the Board for discussion and action.

Staff was available to answer any questions of the Board.

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve a one-year waiver of out-of-district fees for Orange Blossom Park (APN: 010-027-007 – Corps of Engineers).

ITEM NO. 20 REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE TERM SHEET FOR THE ADDITIONAL ANNEXATIONS

On February 21, 2012 the Board adopted a series of guidelines for additional agricultural annexations, fringe parcel annexations and water for future transfers to meet the financial needs of the District. As part of these guidelines staff was directed to accept additional annexation applications until October 1, 2012 from those interested in annexation under similar terms to the Trinitas Annexation. The Board also subsequently took action to waive the annexation deposit requirement for the additional applications until OID had determined the amount of acreage, if any, that would potentially be allowed to annex.

Given the expectation that not all fringe parcels would apply for annexation, whatever water OID got back from the fringe parcels would be committed to additional annexations following the October 1, 2012 deadline. Out of the total 716 acres that could have potentially been annexed under the Fringe Parcels Terms, applications were only received for 330 acres. This left 386 acres available for additional annexation under similar terms to the Trinitas Annexation.

On February 19, 2013, the Board approved the Additional Annexation List (attached). Staff notified the applicants of the results shortly thereafter and informed them of OID's intent to finalize the terms of the Trinitas annexation before proceeding any further. With the Trinitas Annexation nearing completion, a terms sheet for these additional annexations was drafted according to the terms previously established with Trinitas and reviewed by the Water Committee on September 3, 2013. Staff is now seeking approval of the Term Sheet (attached) by the full Board of Directors prior to obtaining a final signature and deposit from each landowner to allow staff to proceed with initiating the annexation process. While the annexation process occurs, staff is proposing that these parcels have the option to start taking water as if the annexation process has been completed beginning in the 2014 irrigation season. This option would be contingent upon the installation of an OID approved measureable delivery and receipt of the \$25,000 deposit and annual parcel charge per acre in accordance with the listed terms. Water actually supplied to these parcels would be billed monthly at the \$55 per acre foot water

charge noted in the attached Term Sheet. This would provide staff with time to process the agreement while keeping the water charge and associated annual increases consistent with that being assessed to Trinitas starting in 2014.

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve the Term Sheet for Additional Annexations.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR ITEM NOS. 21

ITEM NO. 21 <u>DISCUSSION ON CHARGES RELATED TO</u> MISCELLANEOUS RATES AND FEES FOR THE YEAR 2014

The State of California Water Code, Section 22283, provides that the District prescribe reasonable rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of Section 22280 et seq. Annually, these rules and regulations are reviewed and adopted by the Board.

As stated in the attached report, in addition to the routine day-to-day activities of managing water deliveries to Oakdale Irrigation District customers, the District also provides many special services for individual or prospective customers. Because these special services don't benefit all the customers of the District, the costs of these services are recovered with a fee related to the services provided.

The purpose of this report is to review and update these fees as many have not been updated in years. Staff plans to submit a revised fee schedule for 2014 in December 2013 for Board consideration.

ITEM NO. 22 COMMUNICATIONS

A. **GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT**

Safety Activities

1. OID has gone 182 days without a lost time injury accident.

Administration Activities

- 1. The Shively bridge encroachment is done.
- 2. SJ River Settlement talks continue in Sacramento.
 - > Two meetings with State Board representatives on Monday
 - Meeting with DFW and NGO's on Tuesday afternoon.
- 3. OID Employee's Benefit Fair held on October 17th
- 4. The US Government shutdown ended and allowed the Knights Ferry Salmon Festival to occur on October 26th.
- 5. OID requested to be on the Knight's Ferry CSD agenda for November 4th. Have not heard back.

- 6. Attended the first meeting of the OJUSD Ag Advisory Council. Next meeting is December 12th.
- 7. Chamber of Commerce Leadership Tunnel Tour provided October 24th.
- 8. Four tunnel tours will be given in November to various groups.
- 9. Attended the Groundwater lecture at MJC on Friday evening, the 25th. Interesting, I found it odd the speaker knew little to nothing about the 35% unimpaired flow standard the State Water Board will be implementing in our area and the significant water taking that action will produce and the impact to our groundwater basin.

 10.Met with Exporters on October 30th in Sacramento with Water Counsel. Will discuss in
- closed session.

Contract and Special Project Activities

- 1. Two-Mile Bar Tunnel (CEQA & Engineering) Due to the Government Shutdown, the Corps of Engineers have not posted the NEPA document for public opinion as planned in October. Instead, the Corps requested some additional information in reviewing the documents. The Corps stated they would posted the document in November for Public Comment.
- 2. Two-Mile Bar Tunnel Final Design The design process has been completed and the drawings have been completed and issued for construction. The Cost Estimate has been reviewed and completed, and issued. The GBR is still in the final review process and will be issued to OID for their review in early November. documents and specifications are in final review and will be issued within the next month. The total cost with contingency, construction management, and other potential costs has been determined to be approximately \$15.0 million.
- 3. Beardsley Reservoir Recreational Improvements The construction of the Day Use Area progressed very well during October and will be completed on or about November 8, 2013. The Boat Ramp major concrete pours were completed October 30, 2013. The remaining concrete curb and gutter will be completed on November 7, 2013 barring any weather delays. All asphalt has been completed. The slurry seal and FOG Seal will be completed as soon as the weather permits. Ford Construction has submitted claims for additional earthwork at the Beardsley Campground, the Black Oak Flat Campground and the Beardsley Day Use Area in the amount of approximately \$243,900. On July 25, 2013, Ford Construction provided the final "As-Built" topo for comparison for the Beardsley Campground. The documentation was forwarded to the Engineer for review and a response. The Engineer has acknowledged an error in the Engineer's take off which was included in the bid documents. Staff is reviewing the Engineer's comments and will prepare a response for the General Manager and the Board's review and approval. The Project's position has been there is no basis for a claim however; the position may change due to the errors in the bid document and a delay to the contractor due to SHPO investigation which would apply to the Beardsley Campground only. Staff will prepare a response for review.
- 4. Willms Ranch Access Easement No action occurring this period, Willms are waiting on court decisions before moving forward and stated they would advise us when a decision is forthcoming.
- 5. District Standard Specifications No activity this period.

6. Contract Administration activities on contracts to be renewed and/or issued, Work Releases and Change Orders for all contracts.

Construction Activities

- 1. Conducting landowner meetings for upcoming construction projects.
- 2. Field review being conducted on future projects with Water Ops. Manager.
- 3. Preparing and conducting employee evaluations.
- 4. Assisting as needed with Engineering Dept. tasks.
- 5. North Main Steve Fields, Draft maintenance Agreement has been completed and is currently under GM review.
- 6. OID crews have completed the installation of the new Wills Pipeline through the Boatwright property.
- 7. Morrison Lateral Extension Project OID crews have started the removal of the existing structure and concrete pipeline in the portion of this project that is within the current OID easement.
- 8. Clark Pipeline Project OID crews have completed the removal of the existing concrete pipe and the installation of the new 27" PVC pipeline. The crew is currently working on forming the walls to the new turnout structure.
- 9. Edwards Pipeline Spill Project OID crews have completed the installation of the new 24" PVC spill pipeline and are currently working on forming the walls to the structure.
- 10. Thompson Lateral Flow Measurement Project OID crews have installed the Rubicon SlipMeter.
- 11. The remainder of OID forces are working on routine maintenance, turnout inspections and replacements and splitting bank on various OID facilities.
- 12. Conducted an OID facility visit with Mr. Hanf and a representative from Helena Chemical Company on October 24th.

Engineering Activities

- Land use Conversion Continuing to work with landowners, tenants, irrigation design companies and Support Services/Water Operations concerning ongoing and future land use conversion projects. Standard land use conversion letters going out on an as needed basis.
- 2. Processed several Encroachment, Ag. Discharge and Fencing Agreements for Board approval.
- 3. Continued to work with landowners on encroachment signage and project close-out.
- 4. Engineering staff and Support Services Manager conducted various landowner meetings to notify landowners of property adjacent to or within the project boundaries of proposed 2013-14 winter projects.
- 5. Attended the Groundwater Ordinance presentation to the Board of Supervisors on October 29th. The Board supported the Ordinance as a first step to County involvement in ground water issues within the County. Moving forward County staff has been directed to hire a Water Resource Manager and form a Water Advisory Committee to provide input during implementation of the ordinance.
- 6. Engineering staff continued review of the turnout affiliation spreadsheets completed by the DSOs during the water season.

- Completed misc. small parcels analysis and flow calculations as necessary to complete pipeline, SlipMeter and FlumeGate design for 2014 construction and maintenance projects.
- 8. Completed several Requests for Work Approvals, plans and cost estimates for proposed 2014 winter construction and maintenance projects.

Water Operations Activities

Ag Water

- 1. Continued to research and respond to irrigation inquiries regarding new connection possibilities, disconnects and past irrigation practices.
- 2. Continued to research and respond to miscellaneous irrigation and maintenance issues. Completed documentation and coordinated repairs to OID facilities with the C&M Department as necessary.
- IT/SCADA Coordinator continued to work with CFO to get the contracts in-place and preliminary planning process initiated for implementation of the STORM software during the winter.
- 4. IT/SCADA Coordinator began winter SCADA maintenance work with his crew members on October 28th.
- 5. North and South Side DSOs continued to assist in affiliating turnouts listed in the inventory data acquired last summer with the parcels they current serve.
- OID facilities were dewatered and winterization was completed on or about October 15th. All employees training, policy refresher and benefits fair were held October 16th and 17th.
- 7. Initiated winter water and storm water operations. The Knights Ferry surface water deliveries will continue until midnight on October 31st.
- 8. Processed various deep well rental and conveyance channel agreements.

Water Utilities

- 1. Improvement District No. 41:
 - Pumping Station No. 3 remains out of service due to high turbidity issues.
 - Continued to monitor small leak on the water storage tank at the Well No. 1 Station. The tank remains in service and under observation.
 - A membership vote to pursue connection to the City of Oakdale's water system will be brought to the Board for certification on November 19th.
- 2. Improvement District No. 49 Water Storage Tank:
 - Continued to monitor leaks on the water storage tank at Pumping Station No. 1.
 The tank remains in service and under observation.
 - Membership approved replacement of storage tank on October 15th.
 - Work approval process has started for the replacement of the water storage tank.
- 3. Domestic Water Systems:
 - Staff repaired 8 fire hydrants. 5 in Rural Water System No. 1 and 3 in ID 51.
- 4. Domestic Water Pumping Stations:
 - Staff continues to conduct weekly inspection, servicing and security checks on the pumping stations. There is nothing unusual or out of the ordinary to report.
- 5. Knights Ferry River Pumps:

- The malfunctioning foot valve on the intake pipeline was replaced on Monday, October 21st.
- The Knights Ferry Water Treatment Plant transferred to the river pumps on Monday, October 28th.

6. On-Call Activities:

- Nothing to Report.
- 7. Irrigation Pumping Stations:
 - Furtado Deep Well Pump The VFD was removed and was sent in for evaluation on Thursday, August 8th. The site can still be operated by using the MCP.
 - WUD staff has power downed and winterized the irrigation pumping stations at the end of the water season.
 - WUD staff has started to conduct routine inspection, servicing and security checks of the irrigation pumping stations used as winter drain pumps.
 - Weimer Deep Well Pump Was reactivated for rental use on Tuesday, October 15th.
 - Harter Reclamation Pump Was pulled for repairs on Tuesday, October 22nd.
 - Huffman Deep Well Pump Was reactivated for use by C&M on Wednesday, October 23rd.
 - Wirth Reclamation Pump A new motor control panel was installed on Friday, October 25th.
 - Oakdale Deep Well Pump Was reactivated for rental use on Friday, October 25th.

Financing Activities

- 1. Stanislaus Development has sold all but 27 of the 71 lots developed in Hillsborough Estates.
- 2. The Shively insurance certificate and additional insured endorsement was received on Tuesday, October 22nd.
- 3. Continue to review and prepare parcel splits for the 2014 ag water billing.
- 4. The fixed assets and depreciation schedules have been uploaded into Springbrook software and are integrated with the general ledger.
- 5. Met with the Finance Committee on October 29th for the second review of the 2014 draft budget.
- 6. Easement acquisitions on the Eakin, Valencia, and Oak Grove Cemetery properties remain pending until signage of the Bell property easement agreement.
- 7. Assisted GM in several personnel issues.
- 8. Finance department continues to be impacted by 2 employees on medical leaves.
- 9. Landowner's are beginning to come in to rent District pumps for irrigation.
- 10. Preparation of revised pump rental fees.
- 11. Thanks to Lori the Employee's Benefits Fair was a success!

B. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Finance Committee Meeting, October 29, 2013

Discussion on Draft 2014 Budget

Director Clark stated that the Finance Committee met and discussed the Draft 2014 Budget. He stated that there would be a presentation of the Draft 2014 Budget at the November 19, 2013 Board Meeting and that the 2014 Budget would be brought to the Board for adoption on December 17, 2013.

C. <u>DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS</u>

Director Webb

Director Webb stated that Contract and Special Projects Manager Gary Jernigan has been doing a great job at Beardsley and that the District needs to give him some sort of recognition when it is completed.

Director Bairos

Director Bairos stated that he would like to discuss the issue of safety on OID canals. He stated that he knows that the District's gates are padlocked; however, he feels that there needs to be something more done to secure the canals whether it is some type of automatic gate or something else.

Director Doornenbal

Director Doornenbal asked whose payroll Contracts and Special Projects Manager Gary Jernigan was on. Chief Financial Officer Kathy Cook responded that he is paid through Oakdale Irrigation District, but Tri-Dam is billed for his service.

Steve Knell

General Manger Steve Knell stated that there will be a groundwater presentation on the next Board agenda.

At the hour of 10:20 a.m. the meeting adjourned to Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION ITEM NO. 23

A. **Government Code §54957.6** – Conference with Labor Negotiator

Agency Negotiator: General Manager

Unrepresented Employee Organization: All Bargaining Groups

B. **Government Code §54956.8** Conference with Real Property Negotiator

Negotiating Parties: OID and Federal and State Export Contractors

Property: Water

Agency Negotiators: General Managers and Counsel

Under Negotiations: Price and Terms

At the hour of 11:55 a.m. the meeting returned to open session.

Coming out of Closed Session, President Frank Clark stated that the Board voted to cancel the Christmas Party scheduled for December 7, 2013, and have a catered

Christmas BBQ on Friday, December 20, 2013 at which time longevity and sick leave awards will be handed out, and to give all fulltime/probationary employees the week of Christmas off with pay (December 23 to 27, 2013).

OTHER ACTION ITEM NO. 24

The meeting adjourned at the hour of 10:57 a.m. The next Regular Board Meeting of the **Oakdale Irrigation District Board of Directors** is scheduled for **Tuesday, November 19, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.** in the board room at 1205 East F Street, Oakdale, CA.

The next Joint Board Meeting for the **Tri-Dam Project** is scheduled for **Thursday**, **November 21, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.** in the board room of the Oakdale Irrigation District, 1205 East F Street, Oakdale, CA.

	Frank Clark President	_
Attest:		
Steve Knell, P.E., Secretary		