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ANTIQUE FARM MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT COMMISSION
ADMISTRATION BUILDING, STATE FAIR PARK
July 23, 1991

Chairman, John Skold called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm. with the following members in attendance: Lester Larsen, Lincoln; Richard Marsh, Geneva; and Charles Fenster, Gering. Tina Heinz, recently appointed to the AFE Commission sent a letter indicating that she would be on vacation and would not be able to attend this meeting.

In addition, the following individuals were in attendance:
Jim Hanson - Nebraska State Historical Society
Deb McWilliams - Nebraska State Historical Socety
Hugh Genoways - State Museum, UN-L

Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the April 15th meeting as mailed. Motion carried.

Skold indicated that the state request of $5,000 was denied by the legislature. However, the request for $25,000 for plan development was approved, providing the funds can be raised. If the money is raised, board members will be paid for their expenses in attending the meetings.

Skold indicated that he might have limited funds available for some expenses. Fenster indicated that perhaps we should hold this money for grant writing or other incidental expenses.

Maresh reported on the meeting with IANR personnel about the Tractor Testing museum. The meeting was held in Chase Hall at 1:30 pm., July 22, 1991. Present was: Glen Hoffman, Chairman of Biological Systems Engineering; Dale Vanderholm, Associate director of Ag Research; Wm. Splinter, Associate Vice Chancellor for Research; Lester Larson, Richard Maresh, Hugh Genoways, Museum-UN-L, Charlie Fenster.
Maresh was asked to chair the group. It was decided to establish a board composed of those present plus suggested names of others. (John Skold, Walker, Lee Nelson from West Nebr Community College, president of Camp Threshers group)
Group decided that a long range plan needed to be developed with a strong mission statement. To develop a plan, funds would be needed. Genoways suggested Nebr. Humanities be approached for funding the grant writing. Perhaps, $2000. Woods and Cooper Foundations were suggested for funding. Probably would take $25,000 to develop the plan. Plan could also serve also for the State Commission.
General idea was to have the museum on campus to be primarily for Tractor Testing and Tractor display. Splinter mentioned that the Engineering department had some antique tillage equipment that probably could be used the group at the fairgrounds.
The general consensus was to have the State AFE to be the umbrella organization and the one on east campus to be a satellite, which would be primarily Tractor Testing and Tractors. The

pattern to be similar to the Nebr. State Arboretum. If a good plan is developed, several organizations such as equipment companies and other farm organizations could be contacted for funding. Vanderholm indicated that the Livestock Pavilion was available, but no funding.

The group reacted favorably to Maresh's report and were in agreement that the Commission operate similar to the NSA, which would make them the "Umbrella group" for the State.

Camp Threshers group did not volunteer to participate in the State Fair.

Briefly reviewed the papers submitted by Terry White and Kimberly Bergeson. Genoways indicated that the plans were very minimal and prehaps the students were confused with the mission of the State Commission and the IANR-UN-L group. However the plans were a start and would be beneficial in making grant requests for funding of a long range plan.

Skold indicated that he did not feel that he had the time to provide the leadership in the development of a long range plan and ask for suggestions. He indicated he had strong interests in the overall development, but did not have sufficient time.

Hanson and Genoways agreed to fill out the grant applications to the Cooper and Wood's Foundation. The plan development would be for both IANR,UN-L and the State Commission.

Hanson indicated that he was resigning from the State Historical Society and may be available to help us develop the long range plan.

Next meeting to be September 24th. The meeting with the Tractor Testing Group to be at 9:00 am. at Chase Hall and the State Commission meeting at 2:00 pm. at the Administration Office at the State Fairgrounds.

Meeting adjourned at 3:40 pm.

Secretary,

Charlie Fenster