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CHERRY COUNTY EXTENSION BOARD
ANNUAL MEETING
December 11, 1975

The annual meeting was called to order by Chairman, Mrs. Bill Luther, on December 11th at 2:00 p.m., in the Conference Room of the Old Courthouse. Present were Jim Drinkwalter, Carol Luther, Gene Schlueter, Wayne Olmsted, Cooper Ford, agents Betty Kime and Harry Stokely, Maxine Cobb, incoming Home Extension Council Chairman, and Charlie Kyser, incoming 4-H Council Chairman.

Jim Roseberry, Dunning, area representative to the Nebraska Association of County Extension Boards (NACEB) was unable to come as planned, due to the medical appointments in his family. Neal Baxter, District II Supervisor, was unable to attend as planned because of icy roads. In the absence of Jim and Neal, Harry Stokely, County Agent, conducted the discussions.

Reading of the 1974 annual meeting minutes and the current treasurers report was waived.

The discussion of items is as follows:

1. Agent Stokely discussed the status of moving the Cherry County Extension Office. It appears at this time, that the Middle Niobrara Natural Resource District (NRD) is thinking seriously of erecting office space large enough to house all USDA and ag related offices (FmHA, SCS, ASCS, NRD and Extension). This is known as the One Stop Service Center Complex. Rent is to be charged by the NRD. Suggested floor plans have been extended to the NRD by each agency. Exact costs or proposed rent is not known at this time.

Extension Board members and agents have been active in contacting the Cherry County Commissioners individually discussing moving the Extension Office from a rent-free location to a rent-cost location. Mrs. Lahaye has contacted Clyde Weber and reported a reasonably favorable response. Agent Betty Kime has contacted Mrs. Mable Jones and reports a reasonably favorable response. Mrs. Losh contacted Mrs. Jones through a letter prior to Betty Kime's visit. Harry Stokely has contacted Dan Thomas and reports a reasonable response. Jim Drinkwalter has contacted Jack Coupland, Valentine lawyer, suggesting that if the Extension Office is moved that the vacant rooms would be suitable for the area lawyers as conference rooms and library. This thought was met by tremendously favorable response.

Moved by Drinkwalter, seconded by Olmsted that the Cherry County Extension Board go on record as favoring a move of the County Extension Service office into more suitable quarters. Carried unanimously.

It is felt that it would be necessary to lay more ground work individually with the Commissioners before presenting the proposition to them formally. All board members are to continue to contact the Commissioners in their area and discuss this proposition with them. Main points of discussion should be: a. Puts our Extension Office on the ground floor; b. Makes it handy for area farmers and ranchers in Cherry County to have various USDA and ag oriented agencies together, and c. Makes it easier for the agencies involved in their inner-working relationships.

2. The county agents working contract was discussed. According to law, the Board of Regents, U of N, have to have a contract with all employees, which include county extension agents. However, no contract has been offered at this time.

3. At the recent NACEB area meeting in Broken Bow proposed legislation concerning extension work was presented by Extension administration and NACEB members to those in attendance. The most important parts of this proposed legislation is considering: a. "1-man -- 1-vote" proposition in board member elections. b. Removing the Extension Service from the county general fund and putting it on a separate budget authority. (which in effect would remove budget amount limitations) Enclosed to those board members who were not at our annual meeting is a copy of the proposed legislation. Board members can compare this copy with the existing legislation found in their Extension Board Members Handbook.

It is important to note that this is proposed legislation and that the NACEB wanted comments from extension boards at the area meeting in Broken Bow. At this point in time, no state senator has promised to offer this as a bill to the State Legislature.

4. Revision of the County Extension Board Constitution should wait until proposed legislation is acted on by the state senators.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

CHERRY COUNTY EXTENSION BOARD MEETING
Thursday, October 16, 1975
Extension Office

PRESENT:

Mrs. Bill Luther, Chairman
Mrs. Wesley Rothleutner
Mr. Gene Schlueter

Agent Betty Kime
Agent Harry Stokely

The meeting was called to order at 2:25 p.m., CDT, by the Chairman, Mrs. Bill Luther. The minutes of the May 13 meeting were read and approved.

The treasurers report was reviewed.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Agent Stokely brought the Board up to date on the Hardesty Company Plan for USDA offices. SCS, ASCS & FmHA need approval from their state offices before any action can be initiated.
2. The extension adie program was discussed. Although the aide program is high priority in the State extension budget, the chances for an aide in the next years budget looks doubtful.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Nominations for Extension Board Members are as follows:

District 1 (Merriman, Russell precincts)

Don Simmons, Mrs. Eugene Fish, John Wickman, Larry Walrod

District 2 (Cody, Gillaspie, Barley precincts)

Cooper Ford, Ben Mellor, Kim Andrews, Mrs. Dean Ostrander

District 3 (King, Lackey, Mother Lake, Calf Creek precinct)

Marvin Cox and Chet Hawley will be contacted for suggestions.

2. The 1975 Annual meeting was discussed. A December 11th meeting date was decided. The annual meeting will follow the same format. Connie Ahlmann, District 11 Home Extension Program Supervisor; the new district 11 director, if selected by that time; or the regional director of NACEB will be invited to attend the annual meeting.
3. The Extension Board Constitution and By-Laws were discussed. Deloris Colburn, Gene Schlueter, and Harry Stokely were named to a committee to look through the Constitution and decide what revisions are necessary.
4. The Area NACEB annual meeting was announced and will be held on Friday, November 21st in Broken Bow.

The meeting was adjourned.

CHERRY COUNTY EXTENSION BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, May 13, 1975

Conference Room, Courthouse, 1:45 p.m., CDT

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mrs. Bill Luther. The minutes of the March 12th meeting were read and approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. The vacated ESU office in the new courthouse is not available to the Extension Service for office space. Our position has been made clear about moving.
2. The full time extension aide program for Cherry County does not seem likely at this time and the workstudy funds are taken.
3. Agent Stokely explained his request that the Board pay Ak-Sar-Ben \$15.00; Valentine T-Bone Club \$10.00; and the Nebraska Section Society of Range Management \$23.00 annual dues. A motion was made by Gene Schlueter that the Board pay the annual dues for these three organizations for 1976. The motion was seconded by Glee Swanson and carried.

AGENT REPORT:

1. Agents Kime and Stokely gave brief reports on activities since our last meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. The main topic of discussion under new business was the 1975-76 Extension Service budget. A motion was made by Gene Schlueter and seconded that each agent's salary be raised \$100. The motion was carried.

Jim Drinkwalter made a motion that the clerical wages be raised 10% or \$5280.00 per year. The motion was seconded by Phyllis Rothleutner and carried.

A motion was made by Phyllis Rothleutner to raise agent and board mileage to 15¢. Wayne Olmsted seconded the motion, the motion carried.

It was moved by Jim Drinkwalter that the Thedford District be paid 1/5 of their expenses, not to exceed \$4419.00, and that the Thedford District bill the Cherry County Extension Service each month for their expenses. The motion was seconded by Marvin Cox. The motion was carried.

Phyllis Rothleutner moved that \$1885.00 be allocated for aides salary. Approximately \$885 allocated for summer aide and \$1000 allocated for aide the remainder of the year providing the University of Nebraska budget is approved by the legislature and the governor.

Other items of the budget were discussed and set. A copy of the 1975-76 fiscal budget is attached.

A motion was made by Deloris Colburn to accept the 1975-76 budget for \$23,684.00. The motion was seconded by Vera Losh. The motion carried.

Vera Losh made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Delores Colburn, Secretary

Cherry County

EXTENSION OFFICE



Valentine, Nebraska

Phone 37

Valentine, Nebraska

May 13, 1975

To the Honorable Board of County
Commissioners or Supervisors and
the Budget Authority of Cherry County:

In accord with the provisions of the laws of Nebraska (Revised Statutes of
Nebraska, 1943, Section 2-1607 inclusive last amended April 6, 1967) we
submit the following:

1. A budget of estimated expense as drawn up
by the Board of Directors, said funds to
cover operation of the Cherry County Ex-
tension Service for the ensuing fiscal
year, July 1, 1975 through June 30, 1976.

The members of the Board of Directors of
the Cherry County Extension Service, the
official sponsoring organization of the
Agricultural Extension work in Cherry
County have given careful consideration
to the estimated financial needs of the
County Extension Service the coming year
and have approved the budget herewith
submitted.

Respectfully,

CHERRY

County Extension
Service

Wm. William Luther President

Dorcas A. Collins Secretary

BUDGET OF EXPENDITURE

Line No.	Detail Expenditure Accounts	Actual Expense		Ensuing Year	
		Prior Year 7/1/73 to 6/30/74 (1)	Current Year 7/1/74 to 6/30/75 (2)	7-1-75 Proposed (3)	to 6-30-76 Adopted (4)
1	Personal Services:				
2	Salaries -				
3	A. Officials - Agents	5000.00	5400.00	5600.00	
4	B. Deputy - Chief				
5	C. Deputies - Other				
6	D. Clerical	3910.00	4800.00	5280.00	
7	E. Aides	573.00	885.00	1885.00	
8	F. Thedford District	3125.00	3125.00	4419.00	
9	G. Area Credit Support				
10	Operating Expenses:				
11	Postal Services	125.29	79.82	100.00	
12	Telephone Services	807.73	1422.15	1200.00	
13	Radio Services				
14	Utilities				
15	Insurance Premiums -				
16	A.				
17	B.				
18	Official Bonds				
19	Building Repair or Rent	150.00	240.00	200.00	
20	Office Equipment Repair	16.00	-0-	75.00	
21	Other Equipment Repair				
22	Travel Expenses -				
23	A. Mileage & Travel Expense:	2585.90	2735.21	3500.00	
24	B. Convention Expense				
25	C. Board Member Travel	196.32	284.88	400.00	
26	Publications				
27	Armored Car Service				
28	Miscellaneous	196.42	408.13	450.00	
29	Supplies:				
30	Supplies/Stationery	862.00	669.03	500.00	
31	Materials				
32	Clothing Allowance				
33					
34	Equipment Rental:				
35	Data Processing				
36	Micro-Film				
37	Photostat				
38					
39	Capital Outlays:				
40	Land/Buildings				
41	Machinery & Equipment -				
42	A. Cars				
43	B. Office Machines	582.35	-0-	75.00	
44	C. Photostat				
45	D. Micro-Film				
46	E. Data Processing				
47	F. Furniture	73.70			
48	G.				
49	H.				
50	TOTALS				
	TOTALS:	18,203.71	20,049.22	23,684.00	

To the County Board:

Request is hereby made for the adoption of the estimated budget expenses for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1975, and ending June 30, 1976, as shown hereon.

Dated May 27, 19 75

CHERRY COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE
Office, Department or Activity

By Wm. W. Williams
Signature of Officer

CHERRY COUNTY EXTENSION BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, March 12, 1975
Extension Office

PRESENT:

Mrs. William Luther, Chairman	Mr. Gene Schlueter
Mrs. Wesley Rothleutner	Mrs. Betty Kime, Home Agent
Mr. Wayne Olmsted	Mr. Harry Stokely, County Agent

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mrs. William Luther, at 2:00 p.m., CDT, in the Cherry County Extension Office. The minutes of the December 12th Annual Meeting were read and approved.

Harry Stokely, County Agent, reviewed the Treasurer's report. The report was accepted.

Harry and Betty were then excused from the meeting by Chairman Luther. Mrs. Luther then passed out Evaluation Performance forms to each Board member to be filled out evaluating the work of Agents Kime and Stokely. The results were compiled into one average. This also included setting their salaries for fiscal year 1975-76. These two tasks were requested by District Extension Director, Leo Lucas and were mailed to him by Mrs. Luther.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Agent Stokely reported on new office prospects. At this time the old ESU room does not seem to be available.
2. Also discussed at this time was the cost share for Extension work in South Cherry County. It was decided to wait and see what the Thedford District Extension budget looks like before any commitment is made. Agent Stokely was instructed to notify Agent Chet Hawley on this action.
3. The workstudy program and the extension aide program were discussed. Cherry County is in good position to get a full time extension aide if the University budget is passed by the State Legislature and the Governor. Mary Ann Marlatt has asked to be considered if a workstudy program is adopted instead of an extension aide.
4. Agent Stokely reported on the election of Extension Board Members in the 1974 election. Those elected take office Jan. 1st.

EXTENSION DISTRICT 3 (Goose Creek, Loup, Wells Precinct)
Mrs. Irvin Losh, Ocie Perrett and Mrs. Walt Ries, Jr.
were the nominees. 180 ballots were sent and 67 re-
turned, which is a 37% return. Mrs. Losh was re-elected.

EXTENSION DISTRICT 8 (Crookston, Kilgore, Nenzel Precinct)

Mrs. William Luther, Mrs. John Johnson, and Randy Peterson were the nominees. 119 ballots were sent and 45 returned. This is a 38% return. Mrs. William Luther was re-elected.

MEMBER-AT-LARGE

Jim Drinkwater was the only nominee, and was elected at the Annual Board Meeting held on December 12th.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A motion was made by Gene Schlueter to retain the same Extension Board officers as last year; Mrs. William Luther, Chairman, Mr. Gene Schlueter, Vice chairman, and Mrs. Dean Colburn, Secretary-Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Rothleutner and carried.
2. Agent Stokely requested that the Board pay Ak-Sar-Ben \$15.00; Valentine T-Bone Club \$10.00; and the Nebraska Section Society Range Management \$23.00 annual dues. After discussion on how these organizations affected the Extension program, the request was tabled until the next meeting.
3. Agent Kime reported on the Great Plains Creative Arts Camperee.
4. Gene Schlueter moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Wayne Olmsted and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Olmsted,
Acting Secretary