

Message from NACEB President

From our NACEB Board of Directors: “We thank everyone who advances Extension impact across our state. Working alongside Extension professionals, armies of volunteers serve as county Extension board members, 4-H leaders, master gardeners, and more – all contribute to our good life in wonderful Nebraska.”

We all receive and are familiar with many direct benefits experienced through Extension initiatives. Less understood, however, are the immense public value benefits that derive from what you and I know firsthand. That story about impact for all.

Currently, a number of county Extension boards are actively telling the Extension story to a select group of aspiring office holders. They are advocating with 63 prospective Nebraska legislators, each one hoping to be among the 50 who will vie for 25 open seats in our Legislature. A work-in-progress, this effort will continue with the fifty contenders who emerge following the May primary election.

Here’s a lesson for all. Encouraged by a collaborative effort between unit leaders and NACEB board members, county board members wisely start with a relationship, perhaps just sharing a cup of coffee. They listen, ask about a candidate’s interests, and then relate elements of our Nebraska Extension story.

You and I, day after day, can multiply Extension impact! Please, if you can, join us in Lincoln on Saturday, June 11, to advance our collective resolve – to tell the Extension story.

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Message from our Advisor

Special thanks to our NACEB members who are connecting and building relationships with the 63 candidates vying for the 25 Senator seats in the Unicameral. We deeply appreciate your commitment to this important task.

The volunteer role of NACEB members includes learning, sharing, and advocating about the work and impact of Nebraska Extension. Building and maintaining effective relationships with the following groups in your location successfully contributes to accomplishing this role:

- Unit Leader(s) and other Educators
- Senator(s)
- Local county officials and stakeholders, and
- Fellow NACEB members

As in every role, effective training and communication helps to sharpen one’s skills for the tasks at hand. For your convenience and given the large geographic area of Nebraska, virtual learning communities may serve as an efficient training and communication opportunity.

Stay tuned! During the June 11 meeting, there will be a short introductory presentation about how virtual learning communities for NACEB members can facilitate valuable, shared learning experiences. I look forward to seeing and visiting with many of you at our upcoming meeting.

Thank you again for your commitment and service on behalf of Nebraska Extension.

C. L. Wayne Moore
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***NACEB Teams for Extension Impact!
We support the mission of Nebraska Extension.***

Congratulations! Ronnie Green



Great news for all Nebraskans –
Extension Impact will be heightened.

“Outreach & Impact” – key words!

During April 10-13, ten Nebraskans participated in the annual **Public Issues Leadership Development (PILD)** conference in Washington, D.C. Attendees included Extension Educators: Kim Bearnes, Ashley Benes, Terri James, David Lott, Jenny Nixon, Lisa Poppe, Brandy VanDeWalle; Associate Dean and Director Wayne Moore; NACEB board members, President-elect Cilinda Meyer-Scheideler, and President Wes Daberkow.

PILD’s mission: **Develop leadership to impact public issues.** With the theme, “Innovation: The Story of Extension,” the conference provided motivation and tools to tell “the untold story” of Extension. We networked with members from many states, including Minnesota, Wisconsin, North Dakota, Arizona, West Virginia, Tennessee, Indiana, and Kansas. **We told the Nebraska story, proudly speaking about proactive Extension initiatives and outreach stories that unfold every day across our state.**



Nebraska group meeting with Senator Deb Fischer

Importantly, our **Nebraska delegation invested one day on The Hill.** We met with elected officials and/or staff of Congress members: Representatives Adrian Smith, Brad Ashford and Jeff Fortenberry, as well as Senators Ben Sasse and Deb Fischer. Telling our stories, **we promoted the impacts and public value of Nebraska Extension for all stakeholders.** To be sure, we urged continued funding for our Land Grant University system, which **very effectively translates research to programming in every Nebraska county.**

In Nebraska we are fortunate to have impactful Extension programming. We encourage every Extension board member across our state to progressively tell that story, always advocating impact for Nebraskans.

Finally, **to our NACEB Board of Directors:** We urge each of you – have that cup of coffee with your Unit Leaders. **Build a mutual relationship.** Then, establishing a supportive presence, **get to know well and value each county board in your region.** They will like you. It is an amazing opportunity!

Cilinda Meyer-Scheideler
NACEB President-Elect

Nebraska Cooperative Extension Association (NCEA)

NCEA is the professional membership organization representing Extension personnel across Nebraska. Always in proactive conversation with Nebraska Extension Administration, we also provide professional development and networking opportunities for our members. Our organization promotes and advocates for Extension impact across Nebraska. We are grateful to both Nebraska Extension Administration and NACEB for supporting NCEA.

We also commend NACEB for working toward effective advocacy programs that support Extension impact both locally and statewide. We especially urge NACEB directors to continue advocacy development with constituent Extension Boards. Working together, NACEB and NCEA will advance Extension impact for Nebraskans.

Ron Seymour
Unit Leader – Adams County Extension
President, NCEA

Email it ON!

Extension Educators, please take a few minutes to email this on to your County Extension Board Members. It will be a quick way to inform them of our NACEB activities.

Important Dates

May 6, 2016 - Chat with Chuck from 11:00 am - 12:00 pm, <https://connect.unl.edu/chatwithchuck/>
June 11, 2016 – NACEB Summer Meeting
July 1, 2016 – Annual Dues Paid for 2016

Board Member in the News

Congratulations Elaine!

Jack Whittier, Research and Extension Director, University of Nebraska Panhandle Research and Extension Center (PREC) has extended an invitation to Elaine Pile of Gering to participate as a member of the Director's External Advisory Council for the Center. This newly formed Council, meeting several times each year, will serve as a sounding board for ideas and discussion related to PREC and the district.

The Council includes a multi-generational array of persons, backgrounds and expertise. Elaine is one of your NACEB directors in the Panhandle District. Her appointment aligns with our NACEB strategic plan which encourages supporting and building relationships with Extension professionals across our state. Again, we congratulate Elaine for giving exemplary service to Nebraskans.

NACEB Dues Notice

Dues Notice Form is attached (*see form at the end of the newsletter*) for all Extension Board Presidents, Office Managers & Unit Leaders. Dues are still \$100 per Extension Board.

Attention County Offices: Please send in your 2016 NACEB dues by July 1st, to Jo Bek, treasurer.

NACEB Summer Meeting

Saturday, June 11, 2016

Lancaster Extension Education Center

444 Cherrycreek Road, Lincoln, NE 68528

Tentative Agenda

9:00 am Registration
9:30 -12:00 pm Team-Building for Impact
12:00-1:00 pm Luncheon / Reports:
- PILD Conference
- Extension Update
1:00 pm Commitment Activity & Send-off
2:00 pm Adjourn

NACEB Summer Meeting Registration

Please register online at:

<http://go.unl.edu/naceb-summer-reg> by **June 1**.

Remember all county extension board members are NACEB members and are welcome to attend, along with Extension Educators, Administration and guests!

Registration will be \$30.00. Registration payments are to be sent to:

Jo Bek, NACEB Treasurer

39565 Hwy 23

Curtis, NE 69025

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NACEB dues for the 2016 year are due July 1, 2016. Dues are \$100.00 per Extension Board. Please make checks payable to NACEB and send to:

NACEB
Terri Jo Bek, Treasurer
39565 Hwy 23
Curtis, NE 69-25

Questions/Comments: Phone – 3080367-5523 Work – 308-367-5283
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2016 NACEB Dues Form

Payment: \$100 per Extension Board (please include payment with this form)

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Counties Represented
By this Extension Board: _____

Unit Leader: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Amount: \$ _____ Date: _____

Signature of Board
Treasurer or President: _____