

Message from NACEB President

As County Extension Board members, we do create value. **But, do we know this? Our collective work brings value to more than just those persons who directly attend or access Extension programs. We also aim for public value. It's a story waiting to be told.**

First though, we board members really are front-liners. As Extension advocates, we're vital to community-wide decision-making. With feet on the ground, we know fellow residents where they are. We study issues, see related opportunities, and bring those to the Extension table for discussion.

As volunteers, we work together with professionals, prioritize program initiatives, set goals and establish timelines. We aim for impact with high value, which also often includes less-recognized public value.

Now, back to that earlier question, **the one about public value.** For a conversation starter, here's a short example. **Our 4-H youth participate in so many terrific activities. They're purposefully directed by trained and capable adult leaders. In turn, these young people give back to their wider communities. Plus, they set great examples for all. That's a good picture of public value!**

In the Works for County Boards

We - every Extension board member - can grow in our ability to make a difference. We each can become a champion for Extension to impact all Nebraskans.

Our NACEB Board is currently exploring approaches to move progressively toward that goal. We aim to test several pilot actions during the next half-year. Learning circle conference

calls, district-level webinars and half-day on-site retreats are possibilities.

Sound interesting? If so, grab your phone or keyboard. Express your interest to a NACEB representative to learn more.

Share Success!

Every County Extension Board member can make a difference. Within regular board sessions, and by feet-on-the-ground participation in Extension events, lives are made better through our collective efforts.

Please, share your excitement for Extension with a NACEB board member. We'd like to hear how you make success happen!

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A Tribute and Farewell

We all know that Dean Chuck Hibberd formerly led Extension in Indiana before assuming our lead position here in Nebraska. Under Chuck's watch and leadership, another person also made a positive difference in the lives of Indiana Hoosiers.

That man, Wayne Moore, subsequently assumed our Associate Dean and Director position here in Nebraska. Over time, he has traveled our state, strengthening and extending Extension programming. Wayne has helped NACEB to sharpen our focus on strategic approaches for effective impact.

Wayne has now accepted a position "across the fence," as Nebraskans are known to say. He will soon join K-State University Research and Extension. **With a hearty tribute to Wayne's contributions, we thank him for helping to raise Extension impact for all Nebraskans. We wish him continued success in making a difference in peoples' lives!**

Message from our Advisor

When we consider the thousands of lives that are impacted each year by Nebraska Extension, it's easy to take everything for granted. Extension has been in Nebraska for over 100 years. Yet, as society changes with people from a variety of ethnic groups making Nebraska home, Nebraska Extension is also adjusting in order to address the various needs of our changing demographic.

As NACEB members, your role is critical both for sustainment and growth of Nebraska Extension. Given the ever changing social, agricultural, economic, and other dynamics of the state, being knowledgeable of Nebraska Extension and all of the programs and issues it addresses at the local level equip you to serve with excellence in your role as Advocates for this great organization.

In the message from our NACEB President, Wes Daberkow, you noticed that several pilot initiatives are planned for supporting your Nebraska Extension knowledge and learning. As these pilot and other opportunities become available in the future, I encourage you to become involved. Webinars will also be recorded in case the live events conflict with your schedule.

It has been my pleasure serving as your advisor during the last almost three years. I wish you the very best going forward as the various pilot initiatives are launched and ultimately expanded into effective NACEB member learning opportunities across the state.

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Message from Dean Hibberd

The next *Chat with Chuck* is scheduled for November 7 from 4:00 – 5:00 CT and can be accessed via the following link.

<https://nebraskaextension.zoom.us/j/218480388>

Please forward comments and questions to Dean Hibberd. hibberd@unl.edu

Nebraska Cooperative Extension Association - NCEA

Look anywhere across our state. The evidence is clear, and it's growing. Working alongside Nebraskans, Extension professionals plan and deliver exceptional services. Everywhere, lives and communities are impacted.

Our Nebraska Research and Extension Programs always are strongly outcome-based and are 21st Century relevant. These programs are even further enhanced. Through NCEA, Extension personnel leverage their memberships, insure high standards of professionalism, advocacy and collaborative networking, always in-stride with 21st Century Extension.

We volunteers commend you. Through your professional association, you add collaborative effort that produces direct benefits to many Nebraskans, plus public value to all!

Advocacy with Political Winners

This past Spring, NACEB members made strong efforts to meet political candidates across our state. Well-prepared with Extension impact data, we advocated with candidates in their respective political districts. They listened. We did well!

Soon, election winners will become known. The results will also present new opportunities, with early relationship building as foundational. Voicing congratulations, our friendly faces will be appreciated as these policy-makers anticipate their roles. Let's express interest in their success, and offer to provide timely Extension impact data. That will help their decision-making and likely invite our return. And we will!

NACEB Teams for Extension Impact!
We support the mission of Nebraska Extension.

Important NACEB Dates:

November 30, 2016 – NACEB Annual Award Applications due

January 20, 2017 - NACEB Annual Meeting

Mark your Calendars & Plan to Attend! The Nebraska Club, 233 South 13th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska

Tentative Agenda

8:30-9:30	NACEB Board Meeting & orientation of board members
9:30	Registration
10:00	Extension & Legislative Updates
11:30	Greet Senators
12:00	Lunch with Senators
1:15	Awards Presentation
1:45	NACEB Business Meeting

March 15, 2017 – NACEB Scholarship Applications due - <https://form.jotform.com/CASNR/naceb>

June 24, 2017 - NACEB Summer Meeting

- Ord, Nebraska
- An Extension impact / public value theme is anticipated.

Special Notice: That same weekend, several other events predict up to 400 participants converging in the area. NACEB President-Elect, Cilinda Meyer-Scheideler and Unit Leader Kayla Hinrichs encourage early motel reservations.

A “NACEB” block of rooms is reserved at Cobblestone Inn (308.728.5122). Other lodging: Airport Motel (308.728.3649); Shepherd’s Inn B & B (308.728.3306). More: Cozy Cabin; Rex & Deb’s River Lodge; By-Way Guest B & B; Riverview Cabin Retreat.

NACEB Award Nominations

Each year NACEB recognizes outstanding contributions by individuals and businesses at our Annual Meeting.

Nominations were distributed at the Summer Meeting, by email and forms are posted on our website. Submissions can be made by Extension Boards, Educators, Specialists, Extension Administrators or the general public.

Award categories include:

- Volunteer
- Young Adult
- Support Staff
- Business/Business Person

Please take a few moments to reflect on the huge contributions made by individuals or businesses to Extension in your community. Award forms are attached to this email note, you may re-nominate a candidate who did not receive the award previously. **Submission deadline is November 30, 2016.** All applications should be sent to Award Committee Chairperson, Scotty Andreasen, 45358 N. 390 Ave., Genoa, NE 68640-4069; sdandr@nppd.com; 402-948-0213.

Passion for Extension

We all support and might even have passion for Extension. Those qualities are uniquely different from person to person.

Where do you aim your passion for making an Extension difference? Share your passion story frequently. And, make sure that your NACEB Board representative knows your story!

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.