



Furnas Harlan Partnership Meeting June 16, 2005

Opening Business

The meeting was called to order at 4:04 p.m. on June 16, 2005.

Roll call was taken: Arapahoe, Beaver City, Holbrook, Oxford, Cambridge, and Twin Valleys present. Quorum determined.

Guests were introduced.

Minutes read and approved. Motion by Todd , Second by Fran.

Agenda adopted with no changes.

Reports and Announcements

Todd reported that the account balance was \$2,235.79. Received were a \$50 payment from the Oxford chamber and 1st installment from Hendley.

Housing – General Discussion. No action taken.

Alternative Ag – General discussion including review of the discussion from the Forum. No Action taken.

Unfinished Business

Report was made on Community Presentations. To date, yearly contributions of \$25, 740 have been made. Beaver City, Oxford, Orleans, Arapahoe, Hendley, and Holbrook have made commitments.

Rosie Stockton reported that grant applications have been submitted. She hoped to hear back on the grants by the end of July.

The Housing Rehabilitation Grant has been submitted. Bev Anderson is awaiting a response on this grant as well. Neal McInturf had questions concerning the administration procedures for the grant. Bev Anderson was not available to answer questions at this meeting.

New Business

A presentation was made on Business Beyond the Farm by Betty Sayers and Nancy Herhahn. Sponsored by the SPUCC, this group is in business to promote Economic Development in the region. They are focused on Alumni that have relocated from the area. To date, 11,600 names have been collected and postcards sent out to 6,000 alumni for various projects. Their web site is in the process of being updated. The two shared several of their ideas and discussed what improvements to expect on their web site in the coming months. They have a variety of services available including job listings and targeted mailings.

The Red Carpet Service project was discussed. No action taken. Todd E. had some questions about how it operated for the Arapahoe chamber.

Tom Patterson led a discussion on the draft of the 501(c)3 by-laws for the foundation. Discussion was focused on membership requirements, attendance requirements, and terms of officers. Tom will make changes for the next board meeting.

Future Business

Ken asked members to be thinking about an updated work plan. It has been over one year since the current work plan was reviewed. A suggestion was made to assemble the plan in committee. No action taken.

Next meeting to be held in Alma on July 21, 2005.