BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINEE INFORMATION



Name: Steven Stettner

City, State: Palmer, NE

Connection to ACCU

Having grown up outside of Grand Island, I have made my home in Merrick County where my roots run deep. My parents both graduated from Central City High School, and my grandparents lived in Central City and Palmer. I currently serve on the ACCU Board of Directors as Vice Chair and have also previously served on the Supervisory Committee.

Education

I graduated in 1997 from Grand Island Northwest High School. I then attended the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture in Curtis for two years. I went on to the University of Nebraska College of Agricultural Science and Natural Resources at Lincoln for my bachelor's degree in ag engineering.

Employment/Professional Experience

Upon graduation I worked a short time for CNH Global in Grand Island as a quality control engineer before moving to Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, to manage pork production for a Co-Op. After three years in that position and some further education, I went to work for the Pennsylvania Farm Bureau as the regulatory reform director and later became the regional organization director for all of southeast Pennsylvania. Despite my professional success, my love of farming and Central Nebraska drew me back home. Today I am blessed to farm with my cousin Todd Weller in Palmer.

Community/Volunteer Experience

I currently serve as Financial Secretary for the Worms Zion Lutheran Church. I am on the Board of Directors of Hall County Farm Bureau and serve as Member Services Director of Nebraska Cattlemen and am a member of Lower Loup Cattlemen. I am a member of Ag Builders of Nebraska and the Hall County Livestock Improvement Association

I formerly served as President of the Nebraska Association of County Extension Boards and was Merrick County Extension Board President for 4 of my 6-year term. I am a member of the Grand Island Leiderkranz and served its Board of Directors for 6 years.

Personal/Family Information

I met my wife, Heather, in Pennsylvania, where her family has farmed for over 200 years on the same land. We've been married since 2013. We were blessed with 3 children; my daughter Greta is 6 and is in Kindergarten at Palmer, her brother Emmett is 8 and is in the 3rd grade and our youngest son Samuel is 2. Heather works from a home office for an agricultural economics analysis group based in Santa Rosa, CA.

Why do you want to serve on the ACCU Board of Directors?

I believe in strong rural communities and rural values. That's what drew me back to Central Nebraska and drives me to serve my community in as many ways as I can. I am proud to serve an organization that contributes so much to the local communities that it serves.

Additional Comments