

ROLE OF THE AMERICAN FARM BUREAU WOMEN'S COMMITTEE

The role is to bring a feminine perspective to the organization and to participate in the total Farm Bureau program. Members actively participate in the implementation of AFBF priority issues. They represent farm families, but not to the detriment of the general public. They promote the high ideals and standards of the organization, which include accountability, credibility, patriotism, strong homes and families, free enterprise, spiritual values and fiscal conservatism.

ROLE OF THE STATE WOMEN'S COMMITTEE

The role of the Women's Committee is to provide information and educational programs to help county committees keep up with laws and world events that affect agriculture.

Members provide liaison between state and county committees to meet agriculture's needs. They also motivate and build the confidence of Farm Bureau women to take an active role in all areas of the organization.

PURPOSE OF THE COUNTY WOMEN'S COMMITTEE

The purpose of the Farm Bureau women's program is to provide an opportunity for women to participate in the entire Farm Bureau organization.

* * COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS * *

The county Women's Committee is appointed by the county Farm Bureau president with the approval of the county board of directors. Members of the committee are appointed for a one-year term and may be reappointed by the county president. The committee should be composed of five to nine women.

* * RESPONSIBILITIES * *

- I. The county Farm Bureau president:
 - A. Selects chairman and gets a commitment to serve
 - B. Notifies all committee members of their appointment
 - C. Outlines responsibilities of committee and chairman
 - D. Asks for reports on committee activities and plans.

- II. The county Farm Bureau board:
 - A. Approves the appointment of the committee
 - B. Appropriates funds for committee activities
 - C. Supports Women's Committee activities.

III. The county Women's Committee chairman:

- A. Calls meetings of the committee
- B. Presides over meetings of the committee
- C. Appoints a recording secretary
- D. Appoints a publicity chairman
- E. Appoints subcommittees as needed
- F. Reports to the county Farm Bureau board of directors on committee activities.

IV. The county Women's Committee is to:

- A. Stimulate interest in and enthusiasm for the organization and its programs.
- B. Plan projects and activities for women to become involved in Farm Bureau.
- C. Provide information and education to help solve the problems of farmers through the organization.
- D. Look to the county Farm Bureau office for assistance in getting out notices of meetings or helping with other needs of the committee.
- E. Be aware that several resources are available for the committee's use, such as:
 - 1. The state committee
 - 2. Other county committees
 - 3. Cooperative Extension Service personnel
 - 4. Farm Bureau staff