

New Members Appointed to ND State Board of Agriculture Research and Education

Two new board members were approved by the North Dakota State Board of Higher Education to oversee agriculture research and extension at North Dakota State University.

The board named Jerry Effertz and Tom Borgen to the North Dakota State Board of Agricultural Research and Education at the May meeting.

Effertz, along with his wife Norma, operate a family farm near Velva. Their operation includes purebred Limosine cattle, small grains, oilseeds and forage crops. Effertz is a member of numerous clubs, both state and local. He was chairman of the North Dakota State Fair Association, NDSU North Central Research Extension Center Building Campaign and director of the Souris Basin Revolving Loan Fund Board.

Borgen is from Langdon, where he and his wife Nola operate 1,500 acres of wheat and canola. He is also involved in research and demonstration projects with the NDSU Extension Service, seed companies and crop protection companies. Borgen serves as North Dakota's representative on the U.S. Canola Association. He has also been a member of the Northern Canola Growers Association, and served as president for six years.

The board was established by the North Dakota Legislature in 1997 with responsibilities to oversee agricultural research and extension at NDSU. Tim Bryan of Bowbells and Jody Hauge of Leith will leave the board on June 30 when their terms expire.

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