



Glen Swartz Director Profile

Glen Swartz, Alta Vista, was elected in 2007 to his first term as board of directors.

FARMING OPERATION: Family owned grain/livestock operation. Consists of grains – corn, soybeans, wheat, milo, alfalfa, and hay. Cattle – purchase 450 – 500 lb. steers, raise to 850 – 900 lbs and finish in commercial feedlot.

NUMBER OF YEARS AS COOP DIRECTOR: 1

OTHER BOARDS YOU HAVE SERVED ON: Wabaunsee County Fair Board.

WHAT HAVE YOU LEARNED AS A DIRECTOR: How a cooperative operates financially. Why certain decisions are made & that they are made with positive long-term effects in mind.

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO TELL THE MEMBERS ABOUT THE COOPERATIVE:

Some decisions that are made at a branch location are made to benefit the cooperative as a whole. It takes time to a rebuild customer base and customer confidence. Please be patient. The coop is here for the long-haul, not a fly-by-night type of business that doesn't survive or builds the business and then sells out.

WHAT IS THE MOST DIFFICULT PART ABOUT BEING A DIRECTOR:

Supporting a decision that is best for the cooperative but could have a negative effect on me and my neighbors as farmers.

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO CHANGE WITHIN YOUR COOPERATIVE: To make the cooperative more profitable. To keep adding &/or improving services to our members.