GREAT PLAINS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

July 2021

Time For An Upgrade?

"Home Sweet Home" feeling a little sour these days? With the pandemic forcing us to spend more time at home, things that were only mildly annoying before may have now turned into a serious irritant. So, there's never been a better time for hitting the refresh button, and a Home Improvement Loan from the credit union can make it happen.

If you're thinking of a limited upgrade, say a new dishwasher or a bigger freezer, then a personal loan will likely provide you with the funds you need. But for larger projects, a Home Equity Loan is a smart way to borrow for home improvements. The interest may be tax deductible; consult your tax advisor for details.

With interest rates at historic lows, new flooring, 08253 fresh paint throughout your home, a state-of-the-art kitchen, or spa-worthy bath may all be within easy reach. So visit your local branch or give us a call to find out more. We'll help you bring back that lovin' feeling.

IS IT TIME TO UPGRADE YOUR



2021 Annual Meeting Results

The credit union was able to hold its 2021 annual meeting in the normal manner on April 23rd. 150 members were in attendance. Chairman Robert Medley moderated. Minutes from the prior meeting were read. President Kelley Melton introduced the branch managers that were in attendance. He then commended them and the entire credit union staff for their efforts in serving the members throughout the pandemic.

The only candidates for the board of directors were those up for reelection. Robert Medley, Zelma Watts, and Jeff Zimmerman were reelected to serve three-year terms.

Chairman Medley gave the chairman's report. He commented on changes brought about by the pandemic and resulting economic downturn. Yield on investments plummeted due to Federal Reserve Bank rate actions. This put a strain on investment income which declined significantly.

President Melton gave the financial report for 2020. He began by noting the operational challenges brought on by the pandemic while also expressing gratitude for the patience showed by members as the credit union adjusted to the new environment.

Loans grew in spite of the economic uncertainty. Stimulus deposits were a big reason for deposit and resulting

asset growth. Great Plains surpassed \$300 million in assets in 2020.

The credit union waived fees in 2020 to help members in need. This along with the investment income decline resulted in more than a million dollar reduction in income. Provisions for loan losses was higher due to the 59631 concern that members may have increased difficulty making payments due to the pandemic.

Even though income declined the board of directors still wanted to give interest rebates and bonus dividends to the members. More than \$10 million has been given back in the last fifteen years.

John Alford, Supervisory Committee Chairman, gave the Supervisory Report. He informed the members of the actions taken by the committee as well as those of the National Credit Union Association examiners and the auditing firm who review credit union records.

The meeting concluded with several happy members going home with prize money.

CURRENT FINANCIAL STATISTICS AS OF 05/31/2021

LOANS*	\$118,709,989
SHARES	\$295,717,453
CAPITAL	\$49,207,938
ASSETS	\$348,946,031
INCOME-YTD	\$407,585

*Loan figure net of loan loss allowance

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