

Form **990**

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-0047

2017

Open to Public Inspection

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2017 calendar year, or tax year beginning Nov 1, 2017, and ending Oct 31, 2018

B Check if applicable:
 Address change
 Name change
 Initial return
 Final return/terminated
 Amended return
 Application pending

C Name of organization BEE COUNTY FARM BUREAU
 Doing business as _____
 Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
P O BOX 1480
 City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
BEEVILLE, TX 78104

D Employer identification number
74-1153200

E Telephone number
(361) 358-2244

F Name and address of principal officer
ELLIS MCKINNEY, SAME ADDRESS AS "BOX C" ABOVE

G Gross receipts \$ 230,390.

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? Yes No
H(b) Are all subordinates included? Yes No
 If "No," attach a list (see instructions)

I Tax-exempt status 501(c)(3) 501(c) (5) ◀ (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

J Website: ▶ N/A

K Form of organization Corporation Trust Association Other ▶ _____

L Year of formation 1949

M State of legal domicile TX

ENVELOPE POSTMARK DATE FEB 23 2019

Part I Summary

| | | | |
|---|------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <u>To better the conditions and efficiency of agricultural producers and promote a wholesome and desirable rural life through education, information, and other such programs.</u> | | | |
| 2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets. | | | |
| 3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a) | 3 | 12 | |
| 4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b) | 4 | 12 | |
| 5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2017 (Part V, line 2a) | 5 | 3 | |
| 6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary) | 6 | 66 | |
| 7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12 | 7a | 116,202. | |
| 7b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-B, line 8 | 7b | 45,780. | |
| | | Prior Year | Current Year |
| 8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h) | 8 | 102,340. | 107,930. |
| 9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g) | 9 | | |
| 10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d) | 10 | 869. | 1,082. |
| 11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10e, and 11e) | 11 | 117,497. | 121,378. |
| 12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12) | 12 | 220,706. | 230,390. |
| | | Prior Year | Current Year |
| 13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3) | 13 | 11,678. | 10,271. |
| 14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4) | 14 | | |
| 15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10) | 15 | 96,181. | 98,742. |
| 16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e) | 16a | | |
| b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ | 16b | | |
| 17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e) | 17 | 97,803. | 106,078. |
| 18 Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25) | 18 | 205,662. | 215,091. |
| 19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12 | 19 | 15,044. | 15,299. |
| | | Beginning of Current Year | End of Year |
| 20 Total assets (Part X, line 16) | 20 | 408,737. | 424,477. |
| 21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26) | 21 | 3,572. | 4,013. |
| 22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20 | 22 | 405,165. | 420,464. |

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Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here

Signature of officer Ellis M. McKinney Date 2/21/19
 PRESIDENT
 Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name: Patrick Ehlers Preparer's signature: [Signature] Date: 2-15-19 Check if self-employed PTIN: P01278523
 Firm's name ▶ Texas Farm Bureau Firm's EIN ▶ 74-1145986
 Firm's address ▶ P.O. Box 2689, Waco, TX 76702 Phone no. (254) 751-2337

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) Yes No

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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III Yes No

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

To better the conditions and efficiency of agricultural producers and promote a wholesome and desirable rural life through education, information, and other such programs.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

Annual meeting
Held an annual meeting in which all members are invited. Purpose was to discuss relative local, statewide, and national agricultural issues, the importance of agriculture education, the business of the organization, and current legislative issues as they relate to agriculture. Members of the county farm bureau, county farm bureau staff, county farm bureau voluntary leaders, Texas Farm Bureau staff and invited guests participated.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

State meetings
Volunteer Directors of the County Farm Bureau attended meetings sponsored by Texas Farm Bureau, including its annual state convention. At these meetings, various agricultural issues are discussed with similar local volunteers from other county farm bureaus across the state. At the Texas Farm Bureau annual convention, local county farm bureau leaders from all over Texas voted on agricultural issues that these volunteers would like Texas Farm Bureau and the volunteers to pursue on a statewide level in the upcoming year.

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

Youth Livestock Show/Fair
Contributed to local youth livestock show/fair. Purposes of the show are to promote responsibility, leadership skills, and interest in raising farm animals for area youth. The County Farm Bureau volunteers as well, and the local 4-H Clubs and FFA Chapters participate in this important event.

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)
(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses ▶

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

| | | Yes | No |
|-----|--|-----|----|
| 1 | Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A | | X |
| 2 | Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instructions)? | | X |
| 3 | Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I | | X |
| 4 | Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II | | |
| 5 | Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III | | X |
| 6 | Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I | | X |
| 7 | Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II | | X |
| 8 | Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III | | X |
| 9 | Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV | | X |
| 10 | Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V | | X |
| 11 | If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable. | | |
| a | Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI | X | |
| b | Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII | | X |
| c | Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII | | X |
| d | Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX | | X |
| e | Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X | | X |
| f | Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X | | X |
| 12a | Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII | | X |
| b | Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional | | X |
| 13 | Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E | | X |
| 14a | Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States? | | X |
| b | Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV. | | X |
| 15 | Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV | | X |
| 16 | Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV. | | X |
| 17 | Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions) | | X |
| 18 | Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II | | X |
| 19 | Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III | | X |

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

| | Yes | No |
|--|-----|----|
| 20 a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i> | | X |
| b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return? | | |
| 21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i> | | X |
| 22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i> | | X |
| 23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i> | | X |
| 24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i> | | X |
| b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception? | | |
| c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds? | | |
| d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year? | | |
| 25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i> | | |
| b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i> | | |
| 26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i> | | X |
| 27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i> | | X |
| 28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions): | | |
| a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> | | X |
| b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> | | X |
| c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> | | X |
| 29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i> | | X |
| 30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i> | | X |
| 31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i> | | X |
| 32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i> | | X |
| 33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i> | | X |
| 34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i> | | X |
| 35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? | | X |
| b If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i> | | X |
| 36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i> | | |
| 37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i> | | X |
| 38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O. | X | |

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V

Table with columns for line numbers (1a-14b), descriptions of questions, and Yes/No checkboxes. Includes sections for backup withholding, employee reporting, foreign accounts, prohibited transactions, and charitable contributions.

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions. Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI

Section A. Governing Body and Management

| | | Yes | No |
|-----------|---|-----|----|
| 1a | Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year 1a 12 If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O. | | |
| b | Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent 1b 12 | | |
| 2 | Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee? | | X |
| 3 | Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person? | | X |
| 4 | Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed? | | X |
| 5 | Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets? | | X |
| 6 | Did the organization have members or stockholders? | X | |
| 7a | Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body? | X | |
| b | Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body? | | X |
| 8 | Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following: | | |
| a | The governing body? | X | |
| b | Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? | X | |
| 9 | Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O | | X |

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

| | | Yes | No |
|------------|--|-----|----|
| 10a | Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates? | | X |
| b | If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes? | | |
| 11a | Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form? | | X |
| b | Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990. | | |
| 12a | Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13 | X | |
| b | Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts? | X | |
| c | Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done | | X |
| 13 | Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy? | | X |
| 14 | Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy? | | X |
| 15 | Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision? | | |
| a | The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official | | X |
| b | Other officers or key employees of the organization | | X |
| | If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions). | | |
| 16a | Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year? | | X |
| b | If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements? | | |

Section C. Disclosure

- 17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ►
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
 Own website Another's website Upon request Other (explain in Schedule O)
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
- 20** State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records: ►
 TEXAS FARM BUREAU, P O BOX 2689, , WACO, , TX 76702-2689 (254)751-2337

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

| (A) Name and Title | (B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line) | (C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee) | | | | | | (D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC) | (E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC) | (F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations |
|---------------------------------------|--|---|-----------------------|---------|--------------|------------------------------|--------|--|---|---|
| | | Individual trustee or director | Institutional trustee | Officer | Key employee | Highest compensated employee | Former | | | |
| (1) ELLIS MCKINNEY PRESIDENT | 13.00 | X | | X | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (2) JAMES BLACKBURN VICE PRESIDENT | 12.00 | X | | X | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (3) RODNEY BUTLER SEC TREASURER | 12.00 | X | | X | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (4) RANDY WALLS DIRECTOR | 12.00 | X | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (5) BOBBY URBAN DIRECTOR | 10.00 | X | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (6) WILLIAM FOX DIRECTOR | 11.00 | X | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (7) TYRNE MENGERS DIRECTOR | 11.00 | X | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (8) HERMAN ROSE DIRECTOR | 9.00 | X | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (9) JOHN HENSLEY DIRECTOR | 10.00 | X | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (10) GERY HEROD DIRECTOR | 9.00 | X | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (11) BREK LETSINGER DIRECTOR | 11.00 | X | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (12) JESS STAPLES DIRECTOR | 8.00 | X | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (13) | | | | | | | | | | |
| (14) | | | | | | | | | | |

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

| (A) Name and title | (B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line) | (C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee) | | | | | | (D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC) | (E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC) | (F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations |
|--|--|---|-----------------------|---------|--------------|------------------------------|--------|--|---|---|
| | | Individual trustee or director | Institutional trustee | Officer | Key employee | Highest compensated employee | Former | | | |
| (15) | | | | | | | | | | |
| (16) | | | | | | | | | | |
| (17) | | | | | | | | | | |
| (18) | | | | | | | | | | |
| (19) | | | | | | | | | | |
| (20) | | | | | | | | | | |
| (21) | | | | | | | | | | |
| (22) | | | | | | | | | | |
| (23) | | | | | | | | | | |
| (24) | | | | | | | | | | |
| (25) | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1b Sub-total | | | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A | | | | | | | | | | |
| d Total (add lines 1b and 1c) | | | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **0**

| | Yes | No |
|--|-----|----|
| 3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i> | | X |
| 4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i> | | X |
| 5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i> | | X |

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

| (A) Name and business address | (B) Description of services | (C) Compensation |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|
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2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization **0**

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

| | | | (A) Total revenue | (B) Related or exempt function revenue | (C) Unrelated business revenue | (D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514 | |
|---|--|----------------------|----------------------|--|---|--|--|
| Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts | 1a Federated campaigns | 1a | | | | | |
| | b Membership dues | 1b | 107,680. | | | | |
| | c Fundraising events | 1c | | | | | |
| | d Related organizations | 1d | | | | | |
| | e Government grants (contributions) | 1e | | | | | |
| | f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above | 1f | 250. | | | | |
| | g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$ | | | | | | |
| | h Total. Add lines 1a-1f ▶ | | 107,930. | | | | |
| Program Service Revenue | Business Code | | | | | | |
| | 2a _____ | | | | | | |
| | b _____ | | | | | | |
| | c _____ | | | | | | |
| | d _____ | | | | | | |
| | e _____ | | | | | | |
| | f All other program service revenue . | | | | | | |
| g Total. Add lines 2a-2f ▶ | | | | | | | |
| Other Revenue | 3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) ▶ | | 1,082. | 0. | 0. | 1,082. | |
| | 4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds ▶ | | | | | | |
| | 5 Royalties ▶ | | | | | | |
| | 6a Gross rents | (i) Real | 4,765. | | | | |
| | | (ii) Personal | | | | | |
| | b Less: rental expenses | | | | | | |
| | c Rental income or (loss) | | 4,765. | | | | |
| | d Net rental income or (loss) ▶ | | 4,765. | 0. | 0. | 4,765. | |
| | 7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory | (i) Securities | | | | | |
| | | (ii) Other | | | | | |
| | b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses | | | | | | |
| | c Gain or (loss) | | | | | | |
| | d Net gain or (loss) ▶ | | | | | | |
| | 8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 a | | | | | | |
| | b Less: direct expenses b | | | | | | |
| c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . ▶ | | | | | | | |
| 9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 a | | | | | | | |
| b Less: direct expenses b | | | | | | | |
| c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . ▶ | | | | | | | |
| 10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances a | | | | | | | |
| b Less: cost of goods sold b | | | | | | | |
| c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . ▶ | | | | | | | |
| Miscellaneous Revenue | | Business Code | | | | | |
| 11a INS SERVICE FEES | 524298 | 85,784. | 0. | 85,784. | 0. | | |
| b INS AGENT INCOME | 524298 | 30,418. | 0. | 30,418. | 0. | | |
| c ANNUAL MEETING TICKET INCOME | 900099 | 325. | 0. | 0. | 325. | | |
| d All other revenue | | 86. | 0. | 0. | 86. | | |
| e Total. Add lines 11a-11d ▶ | | 116,613. | | | | | |
| 12 Total revenue. See instructions. ▶ | | 230,390. | 0. | 116,202. | 6,258. | | |

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.

| | (A) Total expenses | (B) Program service expenses | (C) Management and general expenses | (D) Fundraising expenses |
|---|-----------------------|---------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| 1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments See Part IV, line 21 | 7,271. | | | |
| 2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22 | 3,000. | | | |
| 3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16 | | | | |
| 4 Benefits paid to or for members | | | | |
| 5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees | | | | |
| 6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) | | | | |
| 7 Other salaries and wages | 91,021. | | | |
| 8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions) | | | | |
| 9 Other employee benefits | 517. | | | |
| 10 Payroll taxes | 7,204. | | | |
| 11 Fees for services (non-employees): | | | | |
| a Management | | | | |
| b Legal | | | | |
| c Accounting | 1,200. | | | |
| d Lobbying | | | | |
| e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17 | | | | |
| f Investment management fees | | | | |
| g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.) | | | | |
| 12 Advertising and promotion | | | | |
| 13 Office expenses | 8,816. | | | |
| 14 Information technology | | | | |
| 15 Royalties | | | | |
| 16 Occupancy | 14,155. | | | |
| 17 Travel | 4,361. | | | |
| 18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials | | | | |
| 19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings | 8,708. | | | |
| 20 Interest | | | | |
| 21 Payments to affiliates | | | | |
| 22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization | 3,583. | | | |
| 23 Insurance | | | | |
| 24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.) | | | | |
| a STATE MEMBERSHIP DUES | 55,186. | | | |
| b COMMITTEE/CONTRACT SERVICES | 1,109. | | | |
| c OTHER EXPENSES | 8,960. | | | |
| d | | | | |
| e All other expenses | | | | |
| 25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e | 215,091. | | | |
| 26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720) | | | | |

Part X Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X

| | | (A) Beginning of year | | (B) End of year |
|---|--|--------------------------|-----------|--------------------|
| Assets | 1 Cash—non-interest-bearing | 39,089. | 1 | 32,339. |
| | 2 Savings and temporary cash investments | 295,219. | 2 | 316,012. |
| | 3 Pledges and grants receivable, net | | 3 | |
| | 4 Accounts receivable, net | | 4 | |
| | 5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L | | 5 | |
| | 6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions). Complete Part II of Schedule L | | 6 | |
| | 7 Notes and loans receivable, net | | 7 | |
| | 8 Inventories for sale or use | | 8 | |
| | 9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges | 7,284. | 9 | 6,564. |
| | 10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D | 10a 187,321. | | |
| | b Less: accumulated depreciation | 10b 117,759. | 67,145. | 10c 69,562. |
| | 11 Investments—publicly traded securities | | 11 | |
| | 12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11 | | 12 | |
| | 13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11 | | 13 | |
| | 14 Intangible assets | | 14 | |
| | 15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11 | | 15 | |
| 16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34) | | 408,737. | 16 | 424,477. |
| Liabilities | 17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses | 3,572. | 17 | 4,013. |
| | 18 Grants payable | | 18 | |
| | 19 Deferred revenue | | 19 | |
| | 20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities | | 20 | |
| | 21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D | | 21 | |
| | 22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L | | 22 | |
| | 23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties | | 23 | |
| | 24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties | | 24 | |
| | 25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D | | 25 | |
| | 26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25 | | 3,572. | 26 |
| Net Assets or Fund Balances | Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34. | | | |
| | 27 Unrestricted net assets | | 27 | |
| | 28 Temporarily restricted net assets | | 28 | |
| | 29 Permanently restricted net assets | | 29 | |
| | Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34. | | | |
| | 30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds | | 30 | |
| | 31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund | | 31 | |
| | 32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds | 405,165. | 32 | 420,464. |
| | 33 Total net assets or fund balances | 405,165. | 33 | 420,464. |
| | 34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances | 408,737. | 34 | 424,477. |

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

| | | | |
|-----------|--|-----------|----------|
| 1 | Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12) | 1 | 230,390. |
| 2 | Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25) | 2 | 215,091. |
| 3 | Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1 | 3 | 15,299. |
| 4 | Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A)) | 4 | 405,165. |
| 5 | Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments | 5 | |
| 6 | Donated services and use of facilities | 6 | |
| 7 | Investment expenses | 7 | |
| 8 | Prior period adjustments | 8 | |
| 9 | Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O) | 9 | |
| 10 | Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B)) | 10 | 420,464. |

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

| | | Yes | No |
|-----------|---|-----|----|
| 1 | Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O. | | |
| 2a | Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? . . . If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis | | X |
| b | Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis | | X |
| c | If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O. | | |
| 3a | As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133? | | X |
| b | If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits. | | |

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b. Attach to Form 990.

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Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization: BEE COUNTY FARM BUREAU; Employer identification number: 74-1153200

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

Table with 3 columns: Line number, Description, (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Includes questions 1-6 regarding donor advised funds.

Part II Conservation Easements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

Form for Part II Conservation Easements, including questions 1-9 and a table for lines 2a-2d regarding conservation easements.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

Form for Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets, including questions 1a-2b regarding reporting requirements.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets *(continued)*

- 3** Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):
- a** Public exhibition
 - b** Scholarly research
 - c** Preservation for future generations
 - d** Loan or exchange programs
 - e** Other _____
- 4** Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.
- 5** During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? **Yes** **No**

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

- 1a** Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? **Yes** **No**
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:
- | | Amount |
|--|-----------|
| c Beginning balance | 1c |
| d Additions during the year | 1d |
| e Distributions during the year | 1e |
| f Ending balance | 1f |
- 2a** Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? **Yes** **No**
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided on Part XIII

Part V Endowment Funds.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

| | (a) Current year | (b) Prior year | (c) Two years back | (d) Three years back | (e) Four years back |
|---|------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1a Beginning of year balance | | | | | |
| b Contributions | | | | | |
| c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses | | | | | |
| d Grants or scholarships | | | | | |
| e Other expenditures for facilities and programs | | | | | |
| f Administrative expenses | | | | | |
| g End of year balance | | | | | |

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:

- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment _____ %
- b** Permanent endowment _____ %
- c** Temporarily restricted endowment _____ %

The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

| | Yes | No |
|---|---------------|----|
| (i) unrelated organizations | 3a(i) | |
| (ii) related organizations | 3a(ii) | |
| b If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? | 3b | |

4 Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

| Description of property | (a) Cost or other basis (investment) | (b) Cost or other basis (other) | (c) Accumulated depreciation | (d) Book value |
|--|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------|
| 1a Land | | 6,491. | | 6,491. |
| b Buildings | | 134,992. | 73,564. | 61,428. |
| c Leasehold improvements | | | | |
| d Equipment | | 28,224. | 27,751. | 473. |
| e Other | | 17,614. | 16,444. | 1,170. |
| Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.) | | | | 69,562. |

Part VII Investments—Other Securities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

| (a) Description of security or category (including name of security) | (b) Book value | (c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value |
|--|----------------|---|
| (1) Financial derivatives | | |
| (2) Closely-held equity interests | | |
| (3) Other | | |
| (A) ----- | | |
| (B) ----- | | |
| (C) ----- | | |
| (D) ----- | | |
| (E) ----- | | |
| (F) ----- | | |
| (G) ----- | | |
| (H) ----- | | |
| Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12.) ▶ | | |

Part VIII Investments—Program Related.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

| (a) Description of investment | (b) Book value | (c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value |
|--|----------------|---|
| (1) | | |
| (2) | | |
| (3) | | |
| (4) | | |
| (5) | | |
| (6) | | |
| (7) | | |
| (8) | | |
| (9) | | |
| Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13.) ▶ | | |

Part IX Other Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

| (a) Description | (b) Book value |
|---|----------------|
| (1) | |
| (2) | |
| (3) | |
| (4) | |
| (5) | |
| (6) | |
| (7) | |
| (8) | |
| (9) | |
| Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.) ▶ | |

Part X Other Liabilities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

| 1. (a) Description of liability | (b) Book value |
|---|----------------|
| (1) Federal income taxes | |
| (2) | |
| (3) | |
| (4) | |
| (5) | |
| (6) | |
| (7) | |
| (8) | |
| (9) | |
| Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ▶ | |

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740). Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
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BEE COUNTY FARM BUREAU

Employer identification number

74-1153200

Pt III, Line 4d Other Program Services-AG IN THE CLASSROOM-County Farm Bureau

volunteers contributed their time and resources to an Agriculture in the Classroom

Program. Using various specially developed materials (in conjunction with Texas

Farm Bureau), teachers around the state guide Texas students in grades 1 thru

6 in exploring various facets of food and fiber production in Texas. How agriculture

contributes to the lifestyles of people throughout the world is also presented.

ADDITIONAL-Members of the County Farm Bureau are also members of Texas Farm Bureau,

a statewide agricultural organization (exempt under 501 (c)(5)) that works for

the betterment of agriculture and coordinates programs on a statewide basis.

Members of the County Farm Bureau are also members of the American Farm Bureau,

a national agricultural organization that also works for the betterment of agriculture.

County Farm Bureau volunteers also help organize their members into separate

agricultural commodity interests and participate in matters dealing with legislation

that affects agriculture.

Pt VI, Line 6: Members

Pt VI, Line 7a: All members are the same class and are invited to the

annual membership meeting where directors are elected.

Pt VI, Line 11b: The form 990 is reviewed by the president prior to filing

and all directors review at the board meeting subsequent

to its filing.

Pt VI, Line 19: The organization makes its Form 990 and any other

required information available to the public

upon specific request only.

Other: Pt VI, Line 15-

No officers or directors receive any compensation;

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

BEE COUNTY FARM BUREAU

74-1153200

therefore no compensation review is needed.

Other: Pt XII, Line 2a&b-

While the financial statements are not compiled by an "independent" accountant, they are compiled by a separate entity who compiles its financial statements and prepares and files all of its state and federal tax returns/reports. This entity also reconciles the organization's bank statements. The organization pays a fee for these services.

Pt IX, Line 24e:

Description: SERVICE TO MEMBERS

Description: EQUIPMENT PURCHASED

Description: OTHER EXPENSE