

contract with Kansas State. A portion of that savings or probably all of that savings reduce cost. We're spending about a million nine or so now in veterinary contracts annually for students, but a portion of that savings would be used for the faculty staffing that would be required at the facility at Clay Center. In the case of the food processing here and at Scottsbluff there is, as all of you know, a staff already in place to some extent in the food processing, both at Scottsbluff and here and there has been a number of grants that have worked out, that have been accomplished as a part of the work that they're currently doing. The anticipated cost for the new facilities for utilities, operations at the maximum would have been \$280,000 annually. In addition within five years after it is in place, some expansion of faculty is anticipated. Four in the first five years or an FTE of four and within 10 years after the construction an additional eight people could be utilized in these facilities. The state funds during that first year of operating cost is estimated to be in the vicinity of 250,000 for faculty. The reallocation of current funds that are going to General Fund together with the outside support that they anticipate is 450,000 or an annual operating, in terms of faculty, of about \$700,000, 250 which would be new money. That briefly is the operating cost. I think others want to speak or planning to speak to some more of the detail of what will be accomplished.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Rod Johnson, then Senator Lowell Johnson.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Mr. President, I rise to naturally support the bill as a beneficiary of the Clay Center MARC station which will be a recipient of some of this money to build the veterinary and clinical study program out there. Needless to say, I'm happy to see that there is going to be some economic development in my particular area because of this bill, but I do want to point out some things, and I think that Senator Vickers hit upon a point earlier. We have to recognize that we're assuming not only the cost of building this capital construction, but we're also assuming the cost of maintaining those buildings and maintaining the staff and the personnel that make up the actual programming. Last night I had an opportunity to go out to the Villager Motel and listen to our six Republican candidates running for Governor tell us that the future of agriculture was food processing and value added products. I would agree with