



WISCONSIN 4-H YOUTH LEADERSHIP COUNCIL BY-LAWS

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Article I - Election of Members

- Section 1. All youth must complete the 4-H State Youth Leader Council application.
- Section 2. All applications will be reviewed by the current and outgoing executive boards of the State Youth Leader Council.
- Section 3. A slate of candidates will be voted on by one ballot from each county at the Wisconsin 4-H Fall Forum.
- Section 4. A member of YLC is only allowed to serve one complete term on the council except for the following situations:
- A current member of the council is finishing up the term of a previous member, constituting a partial term. He/She is therefore allowed to run for a complete term following the end of his/her partial term.
 - A current member whose term is about to expire and is still within the age regulations set forth by the council, may run again only if there are no applicants from that member's district to fill vacancies.

Article II - Election of Officers

- Section 1. At the election of officers, all Council members, excluding the president, shall be eligible to vote.
- Section 2. Elections shall take place during the business meeting at Wisconsin 4-H and Youth Conference.
- Section 3. To be elected, a candidate must receive a majority of the ballots cast.
- Section 4. If no candidate receives a majority of the ballots, the one receiving the least number of votes is dropped and the voting is continued. In the event of a tie, the Council president will cast the deciding vote.
- Section 5. Officers shall be installed at the Wisconsin 4-H and Youth Conference.

Article III - Duties of Officers

- Section 1. President: The president shall preside at all meetings, appoint committees as necessary, and serve as a member of the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation for a one year term. Serves as a member on the WI 4-H and Youth Conference planning committee and appoints one additional member.

- Section 2. Vice President: The duties of the vice president shall be to preside over meetings in the absence of the president and serve as a liaison between the Wisconsin State 4-H Adult and Youth Leader Councils
- Section 3. Secretary: The duties of the secretary shall be to keep permanent and complete records of the meetings, keep a register of all members, preside over meetings in the absence of the president and vice president, make reports of the Council meetings to the State 4-H Office and keep the secretary's book complete and up-to-date.
- Section 4. Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Representative: Serves as liaison, attending Foundation meetings and events.
- Section 5. Wisconsin State Fair Youth Expo Representative: Represents 4-H youth as liaison to Wisconsin State Fair Youth Exhibits, which includes at least two face-to-face meetings in Milwaukee and two teleconferences for a one-year term.

Article IV - Amendments

- Section 1. This constitution and its by-laws may be amended at any regular meeting by two-thirds majority vote of the members present, providing that the amendment has been submitted and read at the previous meeting.

Article V - Committees

- Section 1. Standing Committees: Standing Committees will be appointed throughout the year. Each committee shall appoint a chair and secretary. The duty of the committee secretary shall be to report the activities of the committee to the State 4-H Office.
- A. Publicity Committee: The publicity committee shall be responsible of relations between Council, counties, and other individuals.
 - B. Seminar Planning Committee: The seminar planning committee shall be responsible for planning and teaching seminars at Wisconsin 4-H and Youth Conference.
- Section 2. The President may appoint other committees as necessary.

Article IV - Parliamentary Authority

- Section 1. All questions of parliamentary procedure shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order when these rules do not conflict with this constitution or its by-laws.



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