

DODGE COUNTY 4-H HORSE AND PONY PROJECT CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this club shall be the Dodge County 4-H Horse and Pony Project.

ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

The purpose of this club is to provide learning opportunities for youth, volunteers, and parents that assist them in developing essential life skills. This is accomplished through the horse project, project meetings, and various project activities.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership is open to all youth in accordance to Dodge County 4-H. Grades 4 through 13 are regular horse project meeting members to include FFA and other Youth Groups.

Section 2. Membership or participation is in no way limited to or prohibited by virtue of a person's race, creed, physical ability, sexual orientation, gender, socio-economic level, marital status or ethnic origin.

ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of this club shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Assistant Treasurer, and Reporter.

Section 2. All officers must have been a member of the club for one year.

Section 3. Officers shall be elected by ballot at the July meeting for a term of one year with term beginning at the September project meeting. Each enrolled member present is entitled to vote for officers. The candidate receiving the largest number of votes for each position shall be elected. Ties shall be broken by a draw of a card.

Section 4. It is the member's responsibility to indicate interest in an office prior to the July meeting.

Section 5. Members have the privilege of nominating from the floor before the vote is taken.

Section 6. Officers who do not serve favorably as outlined by the Constitution may be removed by consensus of the Executive Board.

Section 7. Vacancies occurring during the club year will be filled by election at the following meeting or the President may appoint a member to fill the term, except for the office of President, in which case the Vice President becomes President.

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ARTICLE V - MEETINGS

Section 1. Meetings shall be held on alternating fourth Monday and Thursdays with an exception for the months of January, May, August, and December. Meeting changes will be noted in the newsletter, on the website, or at a prior project meeting.

Section 2. Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the meetings.

ARTICLE VI – COMMITTEES

Section 1. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers and the Key Leader.

Section 2. Standing committees shall be the Audit Committee.

ARTICLE VII –PROJECT FEES

Section 1. Established project dues are to be paid yearly as set by the club.

Section 2. All financial obligations are to be timely paid by each member. If obligations are not met, the member will be unable to show at the Fair or participate in 4-H state activities. Financial hardships will be dealt with in a confidential manner.

ARTICLE VIII – AMENDMENTS

The Constitution may be amended at any meeting by a majority vote of those present, provided the proposed amendment had been presented at a previous meeting.

ARTICLE IX – DISSOLUTION

In the dissolution of this club, all assets shall be assigned to the Dodge County 4-H Endowment Fund.