Constitution for Juneau County 4-H Leaders Association

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ARTICLE I: Name

Section 1: The name of this organization shall be the Juneau County 4-H Leaders Association.

ARTICLE II: The Purpose of this Association shall be:

Section 1: To further 4-H club work in all ways in Juneau County, with the guidance of the UW-Madison Division of Extension of the United States Department of Agriculture, and the UW-Madison Division of Extension in Juneau County.

Section 2: To present for discussion, problems and ideas of the local clubs and their leaders.

Section 3: To provide opportunities and support for 4-H activities and meetings.

ARTICLE III: Non-Profit Education Organization

The organization is a non-profit educational organization. Any funds received by the organization for carrying out its purposes shall not be accrued to the benefit of individual members.

ARTICLE IV: Membership

Section 1: The organization shall consist of enrolled adult and youth leaders, assistant and project adult and youth leaders and parents of Juneau County 4-H Club members.

Section 2: Membership in the Juneau County 4-H Leaders Association is open to all persons without regard to race, color, ethnic background, or economic circumstances.

Section 3: Voting membership is limited to the Executive Board and one certified currently enrolled adult leader from each club.

ARTICLE V: Executive Board and Terms of Office

Section 1: The Executive Board of the 4-H Leaders Association shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Section 2: Executive Board members will be elected for a two-year term and cannot serve more than two consecutive terms in the same position in succession. Terms begin October 1, following election.

Section 3: If a vacancy occurs on the Executive Board, the leaders present at the next monthly meeting will appoint a person to fulfill the unexpired term.

ARTICLE VI: Election of the Executive Board

Section 1: The Executive Board nominees will be sought by a nomination committee. Nominees shall be currently enrolled certified adult leaders.

Section 2: The president and treasurer shall be elected in September of odd years and the vice president and secretary shall be elected in September of even years.

ARTICLE VII: Meetings

Section 1: The Executive Board will meet minimum of twice per year (Sept. to draft budget and calendar, May to select post-secondary scholarship recipients). However, they may meet more often as deemed necessary by the Executive Board.

Section 2: The 4-H Leaders Association shall meet monthly, unless otherwise specified.

Section 3: Special meetings, which may include closed sessions, may be held as needed.

Section 4: Executive Board members are expected to be in attendance 8 of 10 meetings and 75 percent of the meetings of the Executive Board.

Section 5: Youth voice is strongly encouraged at each of the meetings. Youth voice includes any enrolled 4-H member.

ARTICLE VIII: Amendments to the Constitution

Section 1: The Constitution may be amended at any regular association meeting by a two-thirds majority vote of the voting members present. Notice must be given at a previous meeting or through notification by mail at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting regarding the change in the Constitution being considered.

ARTICLE IX: Dissolution

In the event that the 4-H Leaders Association should disband, the funds of the Treasury shall be put into trust for a period of up to 10 years. If the Leaders Association does not reorganize within that time, the funds will then be donated to an institution or organization that benefits Juneau County youth.

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