

Constitution and By-laws of Junior Jets 4-H Club

Preamble

We the members and leaders of Junior Jets 4-H Club have joined together to learn, have fun and work toward the development of healthy personal and community relations. We will strive to promote the meaning behind the 4-H's- Head, Heart, Hands and Health- as stated in our pledge and to truly "Make the Best Better".

Article I

This organization shall be known as the Junior Jets 4-H Club of Brown County.

Article II

Section I – This organization shall be composed of all adult leaders, members and parents of Junior Jets 4-H Club. Membership is open to all youth grade kindergarten to grade 13 regardless of race, color, creed, religion, sex, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, pregnancy, marital or parental status or socio-economic status.

Section II- Meetings for the Junior Jets 4-H Club will be held regularly on the 3rd Monday of each month at Prince of Peace School in Green Bay. If any changes need to be made in the scheduled meetings, all leaders and members will be notified previous to the new meeting time via phone.

Article III

Section I- The Executive Board composed of the following officers shall be the governing body: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter and General Leader, 2 Project Leaders or Parents.

Section II- Elections shall be held at the regular club meeting in October. Nominations are to be made from the floor and voting will be done by secret ballot with the out going President and General Leader counting ballots. The President will make the election announcement and the General Leader will install the new officers.

Section III- All offices will be elected yearly.

Section IV- Nominees shall be elected by majority vote.

Section V- a quorum must be present for the transaction of club business. A quorum shall consist of 2/3 of the club membership.

Section VI- No member shall hold office more than two terms (2 years) successively.

Bylaws

Article I

Section I- Duties of officers will be those as stated in the Officer Handbook provided by the 4-H office.

Section II- Meetings of the Junior Jets 4-H Club will be conducted according to “Roberts Rules of Order”

Section III- The order of business at regular business meetings shall be:

1. Call to order
2. Roll call
3. Reading of minutes from previous meeting (general and executive committee)
4. Treasurers Report
5. Reports of Committees
6. Old Business
7. New Business
8. Adjournment

Article II

Section I- The Constitution and Bylaws can be amended by a 2/3 vote of the members present of the organization, a 2/3 vote can ratify the Constitution and Bylaws.

Section II- Record books must be turned into the General Leader or other designated leader by August 31 to be a member in good standing.

Section III- Dues should be paid promptly and must be paid before enrollment will be accepted. The club will be responsible for these dues for members in good standing. If the club treasury does not have adequate monies the price of the dues will be split based on the number of members in the club.

Section IV- To hold office or participate in club ‘fun’ outings a member must be in good standing. A member in good standing is a member that makes the adequate number of meetings each year and helps out at 1/3 of all club fundraisers. If a member misses three (3) meetings in a row that member is no longer in good standing. A member in good standing can also be decided upon at the leader’s discretion.

Article III

Section I- Dissolution Clause. Upon dissolution of the 4-H club any assets must be turned over to a recognized 4-H club/unit/group, with the approval of the 4-H Leaders Association and the county 4-H Development staff.

Section II- In case of our club dividing, the treasury shall be split by the percentage of members going to each club. Example: If 10 of our 30 members wish to start their own club they will take with them 1/3 of the treasury. In the case of extenuating circumstances, the executive committee and the 4-H & Youth Agent should be consulted for an opinion. The executive committee would then have the power to make the necessary decision.

Section III- If our club should dissolve; its treasury shall be distributed in one of the following ways:

1. If members are continuing in 4-H in other clubs a percentage of the treasury equal to the percentage of members joining that club shall be offered to that club treasurer.
2. The monies will be spent for a recreational outing as a farewell club meeting. This would need to be decided on before the club dissolved.
3. The monies will be given to a designated charity. This would need to be decided on before the club dissolved.
4. The monies will be given to the Leaders Association to be designated for a use specific by the club. I.e. older youth scholarship, new leader training or project area assistance.

Article IV

Section I- Contributions made to anyone in our club that is going on an in-state trip can be eligible to receive \$100 when the club agrees to help finance the trip. Contributions made to anyone in our club going on an out- of- state trip can be eligible to receive \$150 when the club agrees to help finance the trip. If the trip is cancelled, for any reason, the money donated will be returned to the club within sixty (60) days of trip cancellation.

Section II- Contributions made to anyone who is not in our club that is going on a trip and approaches our club about possibly helping finance can be eligible to receive \$50 when the club agrees to help with a majority vote.

Article V

Section I- Club Reporting. Annually, complete the 4-H Annual Charter Review Packet that includes critical communication, legal, financial and educational accountability requirements.

Section II- This needs to be submitted to the county UW-Extension office by December 1.

Date Approved _____