

BYLAWS OF THE WRIGHTSTOWN 4-H CLUB

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

We strongly promote a fun and learning environment for 4-H members. We encourage members to participate and become involved in 4-H activities and show responsibility in meeting club requirements. The Wrightstown 4-H Club will limit enrollment due to the size of our meeting facility. Membership will be limited without discrimination as described in the Wisconsin 4-H Guidelines as follows:

A club member must be in Kindergarten and may continue in the 4-H Club through the next 4-H year following their graduation from high school. Kindergarteners, First, and Second graders are enrolled as Cloverbuds.

Open to any youth within grade parameter – regardless of that person’s race, color, creed, religion, sex, national origin, disability ancestry, sexual orientation, pregnancy, marital or parental status.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CLUB

1. Record Books will be completed on time. Awards will be given according to the judges sheet used by two judges.
2. Each member will submit a Dairy Poster for promotion of June Dairy Month.
3. A talk or demonstration will be required for each member during the 4-H year. A demonstration can be given on a project or a 4-H activity. A talk on a health or safety issue is encouraged.
4. Dues of \$.25 for each member per month will be collected. Please try to be current.

If any of the above requirements are not met, the member will not be able to join the club the following year.

GENERAL GUIDELINES

1. We strongly encourage members to attend at least 50% of the meetings.
2. If a member is unable to attend, he/she should call the general leader to inform them and be responsible for information discussed at the meeting.
3. Members should attempt to do at least 1 community service (caroling, highway cleanup, flower planting, etc.)
4. Projects should be shown at the Fair to encourage the learning experience.

5. Each member should participate in bringing snacks for the club meetings at the designated times.
6. Members should try to participate in club/county fundraisers.
7. Meetings will be held the 3rd Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Wrightstown Lions Club House unless determined differently by club members. A basic understanding of parliamentary procedures will be encouraged. Meetings will generally follow this agenda:

1. Pledges	7. Leaders' comments
2. Roll Call	8. Talks and Demonstrations
3. Secretary's Minutes	9. Next meeting Announcements
4. Treasurer's Report	10. Adjournment
5. Old Business	11. Snacks
6. New Business	
8. Issues and activities not specifically mentioned in these bylaws will generally be discussed with club members with a decision determined by a majority vote of the members in attendance. Because of the young age of the members, input from the members' parents will be sought for some decisions. To keep the meeting moving along, club meeting time spent on some issues may be limited.
9. These bylaws will be re-ratified annually and will be in effect for the next 4-H year. Proposals to amend these bylaws for subsequent years will need to be in writing and will require sufficient consideration by all club members and their parents. A majority vote of all club members and general leader approval shall determine acceptance of the proposal.
10. Clarification of the above requirements and general guidelines shall be the responsibility of the general leader.
11. Unresolved issues can be brought to the county level.
12. Annually, the club will complete the 4-H Annual Charter Renewal Packet that includes critical communication, legal, financial and educational accountability requirements. This is submitted to the county UW Extension office by December 1.
13. In the event of dissolution of the Wrightstown 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 Youth Development staff.

Dated: _____