

Junior Fair Constitution

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Article 1- Name

The organization shall be known as the Wood County Junior Fair Board.

Article 2- Purpose

The purpose of this group shall be to promote the interests of the Wood County youth through their exhibits and activities at the Wood County Fair. Whenever possible, activities of Junior exhibitors shall be coordinated for the benefit of the total group. At all times the Wood County Junior Fair Board shall cooperate with the Wood County Junior Fair Board Advisory Committee and the Wood County Agricultural Society and their Board of Directors, also known as the Wood County Senior Fair Board, to govern Wood County Junior Fair activities.

Article 3- Membership

1. Membership of the Wood County Junior Board shall consist of 4-H Clubs, FFA, FCCLA, Boy and Girl Scout Troops, Farm Bureau and or any other youth organization accepted by the Wood County Senior Fair Board.
2. All members must be at least a sophomore in high school. Members cannot be older than eighteen years old as of January 1st of the current year. Members must be actively enrolled in their respective organization for at least one year.
3. Membership is limited to fourth year members with one year of Junior Fair eligibility remaining after serving their third term. The Junior Fair Board Executive Committee will select these members at the August meeting and members must accept the role of fourth term prior to the October meeting.
4. Junior Fair Board attendance at meetings and activities is mandatory. Those not following the guidelines can be dismissed the following year and will be unable to complete their term.
 - a. Meeting Attendance: of the 10 scheduled meetings, members must attend seven. Absence may be excused with approval.
 - b. Pre-Fair and Fair Activities: Board members are required to participate in all activities assigned.
 - c. The Executive Committee will evaluate each Wood County Junior Fair Board member following the fair.
 - d. Meeting Schedule: Meetings will be scheduled in advance, October through August.

Article 4- Wood County Junior Fair Board

The Wood County Junior Fair Board shall consist of:

1. The Wood County Junior Fair Board Advisory Committee.
2. Sixteen members representing 4-H Clubs (eight appointed each year).
3. Eight At-Large Horse members (three appointed each year).
4. Two representatives from FCCLA (one appointed each year).

5. Two representatives from The Boy Scouts of America (one appointed each year).
6. Two representatives from The Girl Scouts of America (one appointed each year).
7. Two representatives from the Farm Bureau Youth Group (one appointed each year).
8. Two representatives from each interested FFA chapter (one appointed each year).
9. Any number of "Third Term" members. These are members who have completed their second term as a member on the Wood County Junior Fair Board and are appointed for a third term. These members must still be eligible to participate in the Wood County Junior Fair.
10. Any other youth organization indicating an interest in the Wood County Junior Fair can elect a representative with approval of the Wood County Junior Fair Board and the Wood County Senior Fair Board.
11. Any open position can be filled as an "At-Large" position if approved by the Wood County Junior Fair Board.

Article 5- Executive Committee

The Wood County Junior Fair Board Executive Committee shall consist of six officers elected from the membership of the Wood County Junior Fair Board. The President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, News Reporter and one representative to the Wood County Senior Fair Board, shall be elected by the Wood County Junior Fair Board membership to form the Executive Committee. These officers shall be elected by nomination and secret ballot involving all Wood County Junior Fair Board members present at the first regular scheduled meeting for the new board term. Additional Representatives to the Executive Board will include Superintendents of each livestock department; the superintendent will be appointed by the officers of the Executive Committee. Only second, third, fourth term Wood County Junior Fair Board members, of good standing, are eligible to hold office.

Article 6- Duties of the President

The President shall preside at the sessions of the Wood County Junior Fair Board and see that the rules of the organization are enforced.

Article 7- Duties of the Vice-President

The Vice-President shall assume the duties of the President in his or her absence.

Article 8- Duties of the Secretary

The Secretary shall keep a record of all proceedings and business for the organization. This includes the recording of minutes from regularly scheduled meetings and the handling of all correspondence.

Article 10- Duties of the Treasurer

The Treasurer shall keep a record of funds and invoices of all financial activities pertaining to the Wood County Junior Fair Board.

Article 11- Duties of the Reporter

The Reporter shall keep the news media informed of all Wood County Junior Fair activities.

Article 12- Duties of the Representatives to the Wood County Senior Fair Board

Four Wood County Junior Fair Board members shall serve as ex-officio members of the Wood County Senior Fair Board. They shall represent the Wood County Junior Fair Board at all Wood County Senior Fair Board meetings.

Article 13- Duties of Members of the Wood County Junior Fair Board

Each member of the Wood County Junior Fair Board shall attend regularly scheduled meetings. A schedule of meetings shall be set-up by the Executive Committee. Each member shall serve as Department Superintendent or Assistant Department Superintendent, should they be appointed. The superintendent and assistant shall be appointed by the Executive Committee, as they deem appropriate, for the following committees, (an ad-hoc committee of Wood County Junior Fair Board members shall also be formed by the Executive Committee for each for the following):

1. Beef Superintendent and or Assistant.
2. Catch-A-Pig Superintendent and or Assistant.
3. Cleanest Exhibit Superintendent and or Assistant.
4. Dairy Superintendent and or Assistant.
5. FFA Projects Superintendent and or Assistant.
6. Goat Superintendent and or Assistant.
7. Horse Superintendent and or Assistant.
8. Livestock Exhibition Barn Superintendent and or Assistant.
9. Livestock Skillathon Superintendent and or Assistant.
10. Press Corp Superintendent and or Assistant.
11. Rabbits and Poultry Superintendent and or Assistant.
12. Sheep Superintendent and or Assistant.
13. Swine Superintendent and or Assistant.
14. Showmanship Sweepstakes and Champion Barn Superintendent and or Assistant.
15. Trophies Superintendent and or Assistant.
16. Youth Day Superintendent and or Assistant.
17. Other Departments and Committees as deemed necessary.

The Superintendents of the Beef, Dairy, Goat, Horse, Rabbits and Poultry, Sheep, and Swine committees shall also serve on:

1. Livestock Sale Committee
2. Rules Committee

Article 15- Advisory Committee

The Wood County Junior Fair Board Advisory Committee shall consist of:

1. At least two Directors of the Wood County Fair.
2. The Wood County 4-H Extension Agent and other Wood County 4-H Extension staff as necessary.
3. An advisor from any interested organization represented on the Wood County Junior Fair Board.
4. Others appointed by the Wood County Junior Fair Board.

Article 16- Selection of Junior Fair Board Members

1. The 4-H representatives shall be selected by the Wood County 4-H Committee.
2. Each interested FFA chapter shall select its representative.
3. The FCCLA shall select its representative.
4. The Boy Scouts of America representative shall be selected by the Office of the Field Representative.
5. The Girl Scouts of America representative shall be selected by the Office of the Field Representative.
6. The Youth representative of the Farm Bureau shall be selected by the Farm Bureau.
7. All members shall serve a two-year term providing the member has met their obligations to the Wood County Fair Board. No member shall serve two full terms consecutively.
8. The Executive Committee members shall evaluate all members each year to determine further involvement.
9. For any vacancy that occurs the Wood County Junior Fair Board Executive Committee shall have the power to appoint an eligible replacement.

Article 17- Amendments

This constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of Wood County Junior Fair Board members present at a regular or special meeting of the Wood County Junior Fair Board, providing due notice of the proposed alteration or amendment was provided in writing to all Wood County Junior Fair Board members at least one week prior to the meeting in which the amendment will be proposed.

Junior Fair Responsibility and Authority:

1. The Wood County Fair is an event put on by the Wood County Agricultural Society and their Board of Directors to promote progress in community-wide interests of agriculture, education, arts and sciences, and to improve the standard of living throughout the county.
2. The Junior Fair is a consortium of youth organizations run cooperatively under the sanction of the Wood County Agricultural Society for the purpose of showcasing educational programs throughout the county. The Wood County Junior Fair Board utilizes the authority vested in it by the Wood County Senior Fair Board and other cooperating youth organizations to regulate Wood County Junior Fair events, activities and competitions. In so doing, the Wood County Junior Fair Board sets parameters for overall

- inclusion in Wood County Fair activities without restricting the ability of participating youth organizations to formulate their own policies and regulations for membership.
3. The 4-H program is a major component of the youth development program of the Ohio State University Extension, an educational outreach organization aimed at meeting the needs of county citizenry. All regulations and policies pertaining to the 4-H program come under the jurisdiction of the County 4-H Extension Agent, and others governing the 4-H program.
 4. The FFA and FCCLA are educational programs run through the public schools resourced by the Ohio Department of Vocational Education. All regulations and policies pertaining to the FFA and FCCLA come under the jurisdiction of FFA and FCCLA advisors and others governing the FFA and FCCLA program, respectively.
 5. Other youth organizations, such as Boy Scouts of America, Girl Scouts of America, Farm Bureau, etc. are recognized as self-sufficient entities and are responsible for their own policies and regulations
 6. All Wood County Junior Fair regulations and policies listed in the Wood County Fair Handbook and minutes are derived from this cooperative authority of the Wood County Senior Fair Board and involved youth organizations. Enforcement of such may be handled by any Wood County Junior Fair official including but not limited to, Wood County Junior Fair Board advisors and Wood County Senior Fair Board members.
 7. Wood County Junior Fair regulations and policies will be enforced, removed, suspended or added upon by the action of the Wood County Junior Fair Board Executive Committee in consultation with the Wood County Junior Fair Board advisors and the Wood County Senior Fair Board, for the best interests of the Wood County Junior Fair.
 8. The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the Wood County Junior Fair Board in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not superseded with these bylaws and special rules of the Wood County Junior Fair Board.