
(I4-HYHC)

Idaho 4-H Youth Horse Council

Article II

Purpose:

The Idaho 4-H Youth Horse Council serves in an advisory capacity to the University of Idaho 4-H Youth Development program. Their purpose is to assist in identifying potential educational activities and resources, collaborate with University of Idaho Extension 4-H personnel in conducting and evaluating equine-related events (i.e. Idaho Horsemanship Award, State 4-H Horse Contests) and serving as advocates for positive youth development within the Idaho 4-H Horse program.

Article III

Membership :

Section 1. Membership of the Council shall consist of:

- a. Two (2) voting adult 4-H volunteers from each of the four (4) Extension 4-H Districts, elected from within their district . Each district may select one (1) adult 4-H volunteer alternate to represent and vote for them, but only if one of their primary adult 4-H representatives is unable to attend that meeting.
- b. One (1) voting teen youth 4-H member from each of the four (4) Extension 4-H Districts, elected from within their district.
- c. One (1) voting University of Idaho Extension representative from each of the four (4) Extension 4-H Districts, as appointed by their District Director.
- d. One (1) ex officio University of Idaho 4-H Youth Development Office representative, as appointed by the Idaho 4-H Program Director.

Section 2. The four (4) Extension 4-H Districts are comprised of the following counties:

- a. Northern Benewah, Bonner, Boundary, Clearwater, Idaho, Kootenai/Shoshone, Latah, Lewis & Nez Perce
- b. Southern Ada, Adams, Canyon, Elmore, Gem/Boise, Owyhee, Payette,

- Section 3. Council membership shall run from the start of one Fall annual I4-HYHC meeting until the start of the next Fall annual meeting. New members assume their roles effective with the Call to Order of each annual meeting.
- Section 4. Adult 4-H volunteer representatives shall serve two-year staggered terms (one starting in odd-numbered years, the other in even-numbered years). Youth representatives shall serve one-year terms. Extension representatives shall serve two-year terms. No representative shall serve more than two full consecutive terms; after which they are ineligible to serve again for at least one year.
- Section 5. Membership in I4-HYHC is voluntary; a member may resign by written notice to the president at any time.
- Section 6. A representative may be dropped from I4-HYHC membership after a reasonable lack of interest and participation. Any such action should only be taken following a discussion by I4-HYHC membership regarding all facets of the situation.
- Section 7. Council vacancies will be filled by the respective entity that elected or appointed that representative, for the remainder of the term being vacated.
- Section 8. The Council may select one (1) member to represent them on the Idaho Horse Council.

Article IV

Meetings:

- Section 1. § 4-101 — • annual meeting shall be held each Fall, with a second meeting in the Spring. Meetings shall be scheduled at a time, location and manner most acceptable to the membership.
- Section 2. A special meeting of the Council may be called at any time by the President, Secretary, or upon written request by a majority of the membership.
- Section 3. A majority present of I4-HYHC members, with representation from least two (2) of the Extension 4H Districts shall constitute a quorum.
- Section 4. Each voting Council member is entitled to one vote and must vote in person.

Immediate Past President will be an ex-officio members of the Executive Committee.

- Section2. The President and VicePresident shall serve a oneyear term. The Secretary and Treasurer serve twoyear terms. The Secretary is elected in odd years and Treasurer is elected in even years.
- a. Any officer may succeed themselves one time but after serving two terms in office, theyare not be eligible to serve in thatsameoffice again for at least one (1) year.
 - b. If no one is willing to run for an office, the President can appoint someone to fill the term.
- Section3. There shall be at least two (2) or more candidates nominated for election to the office of President.
- Section4. Officers shall be elected at the annualFall meeting from among those members who have voting rights. If the 4H district elects their representatives after the annualFall meeting and a representative who was elected as an officer is not selectedby the district for the current year, that office will be vacated.
- Section5. For any office vacated, a special vote will be taken of the membership. This vote may take place in person, by mail, or by technology (e-mail).
- Section6. The VicePresident (unless serving as presiding officer), Secretary and Treasurer will have full voting rights as District representatives. In the case of a tie vote, the presiding officer shall cast the deciding vote.

Article VI

Duties of Officers:

- Section 1. The President shall preside at all I4HYHC meetings. They and the University of Idaho 4-H Youth Development Office representative shall appoint I4HYHC committees as necessaryto advance theIdaho 4-H Horseprogram; both shall be ex-officio members of these committees. The President is responsible for sending out meeting reminders to the District Representatives, written current minutes, other requests or new business items that are due, one month prior to the meetings.

duties as needed to conduct the contest. The committee shall provide update reports at I4-HYHC meetings and submit a formal written report within 30 days after the event to the University of Idaho Extension 4-H Youth Development Office representative.

Article VIII

Amendments:

The bylaws may be amended at the annual fall meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present. To amend the bylaws, notice of the proposed amendment must be given to the members at least seven (7) days prior to the annual meeting.

Enactment: