



ARTICLE I

NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION

The name of this non-profit organization shall be the South Dakota 4-H Rodeo Lay Association.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE AND AIMS OF THE SOUTH DAKOTA 4-H RODEO LAY ASSOCIATION

- A. To maintain order and standards set by the South Dakota 4-H Rodeo Lay Association.
- B. To promote 4-H rodeo on a local, state, and national level and to work towards this by bringing recognition to this program as an organized project.
- C. To promote the highest type of conduct and sportsmanship at the various rodeos by setting up standards to be met to reach this end.
- D. To promote a closer relationship among those interested in this activity and those they represent.
- E. To increase and maintain interest in all 4-H sanctioned rodeos.
- F. To encourage boys and girls to continue in the 4-H Rodeo Project, participate in rodeos, and then on to intercollegiate, amateur, and professional rodeos.
- G. To establish Rules and Regulations that shall be used by all sanctioned rodeos in the state and recommend a DO PASS to the State 4-H Advisory Committee.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP

- A. General Membership in this Lay Associating shall be persons interested in promoting the 4-H Rodeo Project and Board membership shall be one elected representative from each of the sanctioned 4-H rodeos. These representatives will constitute a Board of Directors.
- B. The dues for said membership will be established annually by the Board of Directors.
- C. Sanctioned rodeos would have one vote per rodeo and will vote on Rules and Regulations.
- D. An Extension Agent, as appointed by the Director of Extension, will be a non-voting member and will act as a liaison between the Lay Association and the State 4-H Advisory Committee.
- E. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President on 10 days' notice to each director with personally delivered notice by mail or telephone. The meeting shall be held at such time and place as is specified in the notice thereof in a central location.
- F. A simple quorum of elected directors shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS, DUTIES OF OFFICERS, TERM OF OFFICE

- A. The officers of this Board of Directors shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer and two Directors-at-Large. The President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, and two Directors-at-Large, will be elected by and form the Board of Directors and will be called the Executive Board. One of the Directors-at-Large will be the representative from the State 4-H Finals Committee.
- B. The Executive Board of the Board of Directors shall perform the duties usually performed by such officers and will handle any grievances or concerns relating to the rules of regulations of the Lay Association throughout the year and at the 4-H Finals in accordance with the 4-H 175 (4-H Rules and Regulations handbook).
- C. The terms of office of all officers elected at any annual meeting shall commence at the adjournment of that meeting and shall serve until adjournment of the next annual meeting.

- D. Unless otherwise ordered by the Board of Directors the annual meeting shall be held the last Saturday in October in the city of Pierre, S.D., at a place designated by the President. The Secretary/Treasurer shall mail notices of meeting to the members at least 10 days prior to the meeting and the date, time, and place shall be published in the SD 4-H Finals Rodeo Program.

ARTICLE V

- A. The Constitution and By-laws of this organization, and the 4-H 175 Rodeo Rules and Regulations may be amended at the annual membership meeting of the members. Any proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-laws must be submitted in writing to the Secretary/Treasurer and posted at the Rodeo Office of the State 4-H Finals. The Secretary/Treasurer shall distribute copies of the proposed amendments to all Directors 10 days prior to the meeting.

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