

## **FRIO COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL BY-LAWS**

**I NAME -** The name of this organization shall be the Frio County 4-H Council.

**II PURPOSE -** The purpose shall be to promote and encourage 4-H Club work, conduct countywide events and to coordinate 4-H Club activities in Frio County.

### **III MEMBERSHIP**

- A. The membership shall consist of the president and the vice president and two delegates from each 4-H club in the county.
- B. Members who attend 2/3 of current year's meetings will be awarded a pin at Achievement Night.

### **IV OFFICERS**

- A. The officers shall consist of a President, Vice President, a Secretary, Treasurer, a Reporter and 2 Alternate District Delegates.
- B. Officers shall be elected annually and shall be eligible for the same office for two (2) consecutive years. They shall hold office from October 1 of one year until September 30 of the following year.
- C. Election of officers shall be held during the September meeting. Officers shall be elected from the current (on going) Council by secret ballot or by show of hands.
- D. Anyone elected to an office should go to officers training or have some training by an adult leader by October 1. They must have a valid excuse approved by council for not attending the training.

### **V FINANCES**

- A. The Treasurer shall receive, bank and disburse funds of the Frio 4-H Council Account. He / she shall make a financial report at every meeting and an annual report at the annual meeting.
- B. Money paid out must be authorized by a majority vote. All disbursements must be made by check, signed by the Extension Secretary and the Treasurer.

## **VI COMMITTEES**

- A. The President will appoint committees and committee chairpersons as deemed necessary to take care of activities and other items of County 4-H Council business.
- B. The council President is an ex-officio (automatic) member of each committee appointed.
- C. Council Secretary will send out announcements for the meeting 2 weeks prior to the meeting or will personally notify club vice presidents.
- D. Each club vice president will personally notify each council member from his/her club prior to the meeting.

## **VII MEETINGS**

- A. The Council will meet even months of the year, and on call when necessary.
- B. Meetings will be held on the 4th Monday of the month at 7 PM.

**VIII VOTING BODY** - The voting body shall consist of the membership as defined by Paragraph III.

**IX QUORUM** - A quorum must be in attendance before official business can be conducted. A quorum shall be declared present whenever half of the official delegates are present or each of the clubs are represented by at least one delegate.

**X AMENDMENTS** - These by-laws may be amended by a 3/4 the majority vote at a regular meeting.

**XI DISTRICT REPRESENTATION** - The delegates to the District 4-H Council shall consist of the President of the County 4-H Council and the Vice President. They must fulfill the requirements for District Delegates according to the District Standing Rules. If other representation is required, they will be elected by the County Council or appointed by the District Council.

**XII MEMBERSHIP** - As specified in Paragraph III is open to all youth regardless of socio-economic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

### **XIII COUNCIL DISBANDMENT**

**If the Council disbands, all real property, including money, equipment and land, becomes the property of the Frio County 4-H Prigram for care and disposition. The last official duty of the club's manager shall be to transfer the club property and turn over club records to the County Extension Agent.**

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