

Central Kansas District 4-H Council Constitution

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Constitution and By-Laws is to give the organization rules and guidelines by which to operate. In addition, the standard operating procedures shall serve as a guide, and shall contain working details along with rule interpretations for better understanding.

ARTICLE I. Name:

The name of this organization shall be known as the “Central Kansas District 4-H Council.”

ARTICLE II. Objectives:

- Section 1. 4-H Council is the events and activities organization of Central Kansas District 4-H Program.
- Section 2. To coordinate all district-wide 4-H activities in Central Kansas District.
- Section 3. To provide an avenue for 4-H youth to voice and share ideas.
- Section 4. To encourage leadership and develop leadership skills.
- Section 5. To plan and encourage participation in the State, District, Community, and 4-H Club activities.
- Section 6. To provide awards for membership recognition.
- Section 7. To provide funding for membership recognition and events.
- Section 8. To provide for an exchange of ideas and to serve as a clearing house for 4-H Club work.
- Section 9. To vote on Saline County Development Fund Board of Trustee members.
- Section 10. To assist in raising and contributing funds so the Development Fund Board can invest and manage the funds in order to increase and create opportunities to enhance the Central Kansas District 4-H Program.

ARTICLE III. Membership consists of:

Section 1. Youth Members:

- a) Four (4) elected members from each Club, ten (10) to nineteen (19) years of age by January 1 of the current year.
- b) Two (2) elected Club alternates of same age (10 to 19 years of age by January 1 of current year).
- c) All six (6) (four (4) members, two (2) alternates) youth member names must be submitted to 4-H Council by November 1.
- d) Each 4-H club will be allowed a maximum of four (4) youth votes.

Section 2. If a Club does not have youth members of required age, then 4-H Council Executive board will address the issue to permit the Club the allowed four (4) youth votes.

Section 3. Organizational leaders represented from each club, with a maximum of two (2) adult votes.

Section 4. Program Development Committee (PDC), Ambassador Advisor(s), SCIL, Jr. Leaders, 4-H Council Advisor(s), and Master Volunteer members shall serve as advisors to the 4-H Council in an ex-officio capacity.

ARTICLE IV. Officers:

The officers shall be President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, two (2) Reporters, Historian, and shall be elected by the Council members. Officers are members of the Executive Committee. Officers will be expected to fulfill the requirements of their office for the 4-H year. An officer may be removed from office if a review, conducted by the Executive Committee peers, the 4-H Agent, Master Volunteer, and 4-H Council Advisor(s), finds the officer is not performing the specified duties of that office.

ARTICLE V. Meetings:

There shall be at least six (6) regular meetings per year. Business may be transacted only at regular meetings or at specifically called meetings by which notices must be mailed/e-mailed at least seven (7) days before the specified meeting date.

ARTICLE VI. Amendments:

Section 1. Any amendment to this constitution presented to the 4-H council shall be submitted in writing, presented, and read at a regular business meeting and then voted on at the next regularly scheduled 4-H Council meeting.

Section 2. A quorum is required for amendment voting and the majority vote rules.

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