Delaware 4-H Leaders Associations By-Laws

Article I – Name

The organization shall be known as the Delaware 4-H Leader’s Association consisting of the 3 county organizations- New Castle, Kent and Sussex

Article II – Mission Statement

The mission of the Delaware Leader’s Association is to work with young people to provide learning experiences, new opportunities and life skills development. This is done through the following:

- Support county level programs for youth through leadership and participation of County and State events and programs
- Raise funds and manage a budget to support 4-H Youth Development work
- Represent 4-H Youth Development to the community
- Advocate for 4-H Youth Development
- Provide input on new 4-H Youth Development opportunities.
- Support Volunteer needs

Article III – Membership

Section I This Association will follow current Delaware 4-H policy requirements that define eligibility to be a volunteer/Leader. Member will be accepted without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, or national origin.

Section II All County 4-H Organizational, Project and Activity Leaders are members of the Associations

Section III Members may be expected to participate in fund raising activities of the Associations

Article III - Officers and Elections

Section I The officers of the Association shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.
A.) Officers shall be elected Bi-annually from the membership. Officers shall serve for a two year term.

B.) A nominating committee shall be formed by the President. It shall consist of three to five leaders. The committee shall secure the consent of each nominee before placing his or her name on the proposed ballot of officers.

**Article IV – Committees**

**Section I** Individual Event Committees shall plan and carry out Leaders’ Association functions. This shall include plans, budget request, rules and regulations, and time frames.

A.) Committee chairs are responsible for making sure committee progress and decisions are reported to the Leaders’ Association.

B.) Special committee chairs are responsible for making sure committee progress and decisions are reported to the county Leader’s Association.

**Section I** County Executive Committees shall consist of officers and a county 4-H staff member that may transact necessary business between regular meetings and any other business referred to it by the full group.

**Article V – Meetings**

**Section I** The regular meetings of the Associations shall be held each month unless it falls on a holiday or extenuating circumstances.

**Section II** *Quorum* shall consist of those members present with at least three clubs represented.

**Section III** *Proxy Voting.* Members voting by proxy shall not be permissible.

**Section IV** *Majority Vote.* A majority vote of those who are present, not exceeding two votes per club shall be necessary for the adoption of any matter voted on by the members.

**Section V** Roberts Rules of Order, revised shall be the accepted authority in all matters pertaining to parliamentary procedure that are not specifically covered in associations’ bylaws.
Article VI – Amendments

Section I  These bylaws may be amended by majority vote of the Delaware 4-H Leader’s Associations Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall consist of two officers from each county

Date Adopted:____________________

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Signature of President  Date

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Signature of Secretary  Date

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Signature of County Extension Agent  Date