

Constitution

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I – NAME

NAME: The name of the organization shall be Belton FFA/4-H
Booster Club

ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

PURPOSE: The Belton FFA/4-H Booster Club shall support members of Belton FFA, Belton FCCLA, Tigertown 4-H Club, Stamped 4-H Club, 4-His Glory 4-H Club, and members of the Bell County 4-H Horse Club who are students residing in the Belton Independent School District with eligible livestock in the Bell County Youth Fair. An eligible item is defined in the Bell County Youth Fair Rule Booklet for the year in question. All such disbursements shall be at the discretion of the Funds Disbursement Committee. Belton FFA/4-H Booster Club shall support Belton FFA, Belton FCCLA, Tigertown 4-H Club, Stampede 4-H Club, 4-His Glory 4-H Club, and members of the Bell County 4-H Horse Club in their student activities as approved by the general membership of the club.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: Qualification: Open to anyone interested in promoting agricultural or homemaking youth activities. Members must be at least 18, and not currently involved in show projects to vote.

Section 2: Dues: Dues shall be good for one year (

Membership dues are as follows:

- Active \$10.00 – Individuals who will benefit the Booster Club and the youth by attending meetings and participating in the tasks required to raise funds to support the youth in the local Belton FFA, Belton FCCLA, Horse Club, and 4-H Clubs.
- Inactive \$25.00 – Individuals who will benefit the Booster Club and the youth through their financial support and other contributions to raise funds to support the youth in the local Belton FFA, Belton FCCLA, Horse Club, and 4-H Clubs.
- Supporter \$50.00 – Business and individuals who will benefit the Booster Club and the youth by contributing funds and/or other resources, in return for recognition in programs and other literature produced by the Belton FFA/4-H

Booster Club, to raise funds to support the youth in the local Belton FFA, Belton FCCLA, Horse Club, and 4-H Clubs. Dues are to be paid by May 31.

Section 3: Meetings: Meetings shall be on the second Tuesday of each month promptly at 7:00pm, except in February, unless otherwise designated. All members shall be notified of the meetings.

ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS

Section 1: The officers shall be the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter, and five Directors. They shall take office and assume responsibilities April 1.

Section 2: President: The President shall preside at all meetings. The President shall vote only in case of a tie or by secret ballot. The President shall appoint and serve as ex-officio member of all committees.

Section 3: Vice-President: The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in his/her absence, and otherwise perform those duties assigned to him/her by the President.

Section 4: Secretary: The Secretary shall keep a complete record of all proceedings of the club, and give a report of the minutes at each meeting. The Secretary shall be responsible for all official club correspondence, keeping the membership roster, notifying members of meetings, and otherwise perform those duties assigned to him/her by the President.

Section 5: Treasurer: The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds and shall keep an accurate record of all transactions. The Treasurer shall give a financial report at each meeting, and otherwise perform those duties assigned to him/her by the President.

Section 6: Reporter: The Reporter shall make public announcements of all meetings, and provide local media with coverage of events of the organization and otherwise perform those duties assigned to him/her by the President.

Section 7: Directors: The Directors shall serve on the Executive Committee as part of the governing board. Directors shall submit at least two nominees for each officer position thirty days prior to the election in January. Directors shall consider scholarship applications and award the scholarships.

Section 8: Officers shall be elected annually. Officers shall serve for a term of one year beginning April 1. Officers may be re-elected to the same office, limited to a two-year term limit of each office. Any person appointed to fill an unexpired term may be eligible for the same office the following year.

Section 9: The terms of office for the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Reporter shall be one year. The terms of the five Directors shall be two years.

ARTICLE V – ELECTIONS

Section 1: The President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter, and the Directors whose terms have expired shall be elected annually during the January general membership meeting.

Sections 2: 3 Directors shall be elected in odd number years. 2 Directors shall be elected in even numbered years.

Section 3: Unexpired terms of elected officers and directors shall be filled by the Executive Committee.

Section 4: At least two names shall be submitted by the directors for each office being elected. In addition, nominations will also be taken from the general membership present at the January meeting.

ARTICLE VI – COMMITTEES

Section 1: Executive Committee: The Executive Committee shall include the five officers and the five directors.

Section 2: Other Committees: The President shall appoint standing and special committees. Their duties shall be terminated when assignment is complete. The President or Vice-President shall serve as an ex-officio member of all committees.

Section 3: A Funds Disbursement Committee shall be elected by members of the organization governed by Article VII, Section I.

Section 4: FFA, FCCLA, 4-H teachers/leaders shall only serve in an advisory capacity.

ARTICLE VII – EXPENDITURES

Section 1: Expenditures: All monies collected for supporting the Bell County Youth Fair will be spent on the Bell County Youth Fair projects at the discretion of the Funds Disbursement Committee.

Section 2: Audit: All books and accounts are subject to audit and inspection by members. The close of the year shall be March 31.

Section 3: Major contributions shall be recognized at the discretion of the Funds Disbursement Committee. (Amount set by the Funds Disbursement Committee)

ARTICLE VII – AMENDMENTS

Section 1: Amendments: The By-Laws or Constitution may be amended at any regular or special meeting by a 2/3 majority vote of the members present provided notice was given at a previous meeting.

DATE APPROVED: 2/15/14

PRESIDENT: Eric Coffey

SECRETARY: Mark Cook