

## WALDO COUNTY 4-H LEADERS' ASSOCIATION

### ARTICLE I

Name: Waldo County 4-H Leaders' Association

### ARTICLE II

1. To promote 4-H club work through-
  - a) better dissemination of subject matter
  - b) training all volunteers
  - c) working together for greater community and county support
  - d) providing opportunities for exchange of ideas by means of conference and committees
  - e) providing for a consideration of problems, projects and policies relating to club and county work
  - f) maintaining high standards and ideals
2. To act as an advisory group to the county 4-H staff, i.e. Extension Educator, 4-H Aide, etc.

### ARTICLE III

#### Membership:

The membership of the Waldo County 4-H Leaders' Association shall be composed of three groups:

- 1) Members
- 2) Associate members
- 3) Honorary members

Open to all adult citizens of Waldo County regardless of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin or citizenship status, age, disability or veteran's status.

- 1) Members –

All men and women who are Volunteer On-Going Learning and Training (VOLT) I certified and enrolled as volunteers of the 4-H program in Waldo County shall automatically be members of this association.
- 2) Associate Members –

Extension Educators, VOLT I certified teen leaders, Junior leaders or other 4-H members and all persons in Waldo County not now connected with 4-H as a volunteer may be nominated and elected as an associate member by the Association's members at their annual meeting.

- 3) Honorary Members –  
Persons in Waldo County selected for meritorious achievement performance for 4-H in Waldo County , may be nominated and elected as an honorary member(s) by the association members at their annual meeting.

#### ARTICLE IV

##### Officers:

The officers of the Waldo County 4-H Leaders' Association shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, all of whom shall be elected at the annual meeting for the term of one year or until their successors are elected.

#### ARTICLE V

##### Board of Directors:

There shall be a board of directors consisting of the 4-H officers of the Association, and a member chosen at large.

The President and Secretary of the Association shall also act as chairperson and secretary respectively of the board of directors. Meetings of the board shall be held at such times and places as shall be determined upon by the board. Special meetings may be called by the chairperson whenever necessary.

### BY-LAWS

#### ARTICLE I

##### Quorum:

Representation from a minimum of three groups shall constitute a quorum. Notice will be sent prior to the meeting.

#### ARTICLE II

##### Members:

Honorary Members – shall be entitled to all rights and privileges as set forth for the regular members except that an honorary member will not have any voting power in the Association.

Board of Directors – The duties of the board of directors shall be:

- 1) To consider the plan for yearly work submitted by appointed committees or other 4-H volunteers.
- 2) To authorize the expenditures of any monies.
- 3) To initiate and cooperate in special campaigns of a county-wide nature.
- 4) To initiate and appoint committees needed to carry out the association program.
- 5) To advise the county 4-H Extension staff on matters pertaining to 4-H work.
- 6) To transact other business and act for the Association except in matters in which the powers of the Board of Directors have been limited.
- 7) To fill vacancies as they occur during the year in any office or committee.

### ARTICLE III

Election:

Officers shall be elected annually by the Association. Officers to be elected one at a time. The election shall be by majority vote of those present.

### ARTICLE IV

Committees:

Committees shall be appointed at the October meeting to serve for a period of one year or until the completion of its assigned duties, whichever period or time is shorter.

### ARTICLE V

Finances and Fees:

- 1) Finances of the Association – Any finances needed by the Association shall be obtained through money raising activities carried on by the members.
- 2) Special Fees – Any special fee must be duly acted upon and approved at any regular meeting of the Association.
- 3) Dissolution of the Association – In case of dissolution the assets of this Association remaining after the payment of all debts shall be distributed to the Waldo County Extension Association Executive Committee.

### ARTICLE VI

Meetings:

Regular Meetings – The Leaders’ association shall ideally meet once a month, or quarterly as determined by the membership, except July and August.

Special Meetings – A meeting may be called by the President at any time, providing a notice of the proposed meeting has been given three days in advance to all members concerned.

## ARTICLE VII

### Amendments:

Amendments may be made to the constitution at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote in favor of the amendment, of the voting members present, providing a notice of the proposed change has been given all members at least two weeks prior to the meeting.

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