

Region XI Youth By-Laws

ARTICLE I: NAME

The organization will be an affiliate of the Arabian Horse Youth Association a division of the Arabian Horse Association, hereinafter referred to as AHYA, and shall conduct business within the scope of the bylaws, rules, and regulations of the AHYA and shall be hereafter referred to as the Region XI Youth.

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

1. To promote the Arabian horse in youth age 17 and under.
2. To familiarize youth association members with activities and functions of the Region XI youth as they coordinate with the AI-JYA and AHA to meet the needs of the regional youth members.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP: This association shall have the following types of members.

1. Members of the Region XI Youth shall be those affiliated clubs so recognized by the AHA located in the States of Illinois, Missouri, and Iowa, and any other clubs so recognized by the AHA.
2. Individuals who are not members of AI-IA clubs within the decried region may secure regional affiliation by paying the appropriate dues. In all cases membership shall be on a year-to-year basis. Members are boys and girls who are 17 years and under, as of Dec I of the preceding year shall be maintained for the whole year.

ARTICLE IV: MANAGEMENT

The business and property of the organization shall be managed and controlled by the Region XI Youth Executive committee and/or youth members at large, under the direction of the Region XI Youth Coordinator(s) and Region XI.

1. Term of Office: The term of office for each Region XI Youth officers shall be two years. The term will immediately follow the ending of the AI-IYA Convention. A Regional Youth Director cannot hold the office for more than two terms. Regional Youth Director that reaches an ineligible age may pay AHA membership dues and finish their term with voting privileges but is not entitled to any of the AHYA programs.
2. Vacancy: In case of any vacancy in the Youth Executive committee, the vacancy shall be filled by special appointment by the Regional XI Executive Committee.
3. Quorum: A majority of the number of Youth Officers shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business

ARTICLE V: OFFICERS & ADVISORS

The officers of the Region XI Youth shall be the Director, Vice-Director, Secretary, and Treasurer.

1. Director: The Director shall preside at all meeting, and appoint all committees subject to the approval of the youth coordinator(s). He/She will serve as a director to the AI-IYA Board of Directors and will be representing the Region XI Youth.
2. Vice Director: In the absence of the Director, the Vice-Director will assume all duties determined by the Director. He/She will represent Region XI at AFIYA Board of Director's meetings whenever the Regional Director is unable to attend. The Vice-Director shall be notified as soon as the circumstances have been determined.
3. Secretary: shall keep the minutes of each meeting and submit a written report to all officers following the meeting. Keep available a revised list of members with their addresses and phone number, maintain an accurate list of the attendees of each meeting.
4. Treasurer: Shall keep the record of the youth funds and all money eamed by fundraisers.

ARTICLE VI: MEETING

Meetings shall be held in conjunction with Region XI Delegates meetings, and one shall be held at the Regional Championship show.

ARTICLE VII: ELECTIONS

1. The elected officers of the Region XI Youth shall consist of the Director, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.
2. Election: 3. Youth Director may be chosen as follows: by appointment per the Regional Youth Coordinator and Regional Director, or by the Regional officers at a Regional meeting; by a special selection committee composed of adult Regional officers; or by special election within that region. Qualifications: Candidates for office must have parents consent and be able to prove they have the right abilities according to guidelines established under the job description, and Director must be at least 14 years of age. Each officer shall be a qualified member of the AHYA or AHA at all times during his/her time in office.
4. Application: Must complete interview with parents and coordinator(s). Must be able to prove they have the correct abilities for the job.

ARTICLE VIII: AMENDING BY-LAWS

These by-law-s may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of a quorum of those assemblies at the meeting. Region XI and coordinator(s) must approve all amendments.

ARTICLE IX: DISSOLUTION

Funds in the treasury at the time of dissolution will be given to Region XI for use with Youth programs with the exception that if the redesign of the regional borders is the reason for dissolution the funds designated for each club will be given to the respective Region to which each club has been assigned.

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