Sample 4-H Club By-Laws

Article I: The name of this club is ___________________________ 4-H Club

Article II: Meetings
- Meetings are scheduled monthly on the 1st Monday, 7pm, at Jones Elementary School.

Article III: Policies
- The club meetings will include a business meeting, educational program, recreation and refreshments.
- The club members will vote on major decisions- 51% of those present must be in favor of the decision.

Article IV: Membership
- A child must be at least 5 years old by September 1 of the current year and not have passed their 19th birthday or graduated from high school. We will not discriminate against any youth wanting to join our club.
- The club is limited to 25 members. Once 25 members are enrolled, a waiting list will be started. (club limit is optional)

Article V: Parliamentary Procedure
- The club will operate under basic principles using Robert Rules of Order.

Article VI: Project Enrollment
- All club members will be enrolled in at least one project of their choice.

Article VII: Officers
- Elections of officers will take place at the second meeting of the new 4-H year.
- Members choosing to run for President, must have parent approval.
- If a vacancy occurs during the year, members will vote on a replacement.
- Those wanting to run for an office must be prepared to give a brief speech as to why they want to run for an office.

Article VIII: Committees
- Standing committees will be: 1) Award and Recognition Program, 2) Fund-raising, 3) Community Service, 4) Pet Show.

Article IX: Dissolution
- If this club disbands, all assets will be turned over to the County 4-H Foundation or Extension Office. Any club materials will be returned to the County Extension Office/4-H Agent.

Date of Adoption: _____________________________________________
Signature of Club Leader: _______________________________________

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