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Texas FFA Association 95th Convention Delegate Business Session Agenda and Parliamentary Briefing Sheet

Introduction: Article II, Section A of the Texas FFA Constitution states “*The Texas FFA Association...is the organization of, by, and for students...*” The convention business session is your chance to use the skills you have developed by participating in chapter business and in business sessions which are to be conducted at the district and area levels to play a part in the future of your organization. **This is meant to be a member-driven process.**

1. Call to Order

2. Establishment of a Quorum

A *quorum* is defined as the minimum number of members which must be present to legally transact business. Normally, the governing documents of an organization define a quorum. The Texas FFA Association Constitution, Article XIII, Section B defines a quorum for the Texas FFA delegate assembly: “*A quorum shall exist when delegates representing more than 50% of the chapters registered for convention are present.*”

3. Adoption of Standing Rules

It is customary to adopt *convention standing rules* related to the conduct of an organization’s business. The standing rules will be read in their entirety and the chair will entertain a motion to adopt the standing rules. While the standing rules are presented and adopted as a single document, the rules constitute a group of separate motions. Therefore, a delegate may discuss a rule as a separate motion. A motion to adopt the standing rules may be moved. Adoption of convention standing rules require a two-thirds vote. In the interest of time, the presiding officer will likely seek to approve them by general consent. If there is an objection, a standing vote must be taken.

4. Minutes of the 94th Texas FFA Convention Delegate Business Session

Minutes of the previous business session are the official record of the 2022 business session and are included in the delegate packet for review. In accordance with the standing rules adopted by the 2022 delegates, the minutes were approved by a student committee appointed by the President. The committee reviewed the minutes and the video record of the 2022 business session and voted to approve the minutes as published. Therefore, no action is required by the delegates.

5. Treasurer’s Report

This report is not acted upon by the delegate body since it contains no recommendations and is for the information of the delegates only. The Texas FFA Association’s financials are audited by an independent auditor. The audit report and its recommendations are acted upon by the Texas FFA Association Board of Directors at the second quarter meeting typically held in January.

6. Dues (No reference document)

Article XVI, Section A of the Texas FFA Constitution states, “*Annual membership dues in the Texas FFA Association/Texas Association of Future Farmers of America shall be fixed by a majority vote of the delegates at the Texas FFA Convention. Local chapters shall be notified of a proposed dues change 30 days prior to the State FFA Convention.*” Only members may set dues for the Texas FFA Association or any of its units (chapter, district, and areas). There is a recommendation for an increase of dues and it is the recommendation of the board of directors and board of student officers that annual dues be increased \$2.00 per member and increase the affiliation schedule by 20%. A main motion may be offered to fix annual dues at \$7.00 per member for 2023-2024 and increase the affiliation schedule by 20%. Discussion or inquiries should be offered after the motion is stated by the presiding officer. The motion requires a majority vote.

7. Budget Proposal

The proposed budget was developed by the Board of Directors' Budget and Finance Committee, approved by the Board of Directors and forwarded to the delegates for approval. The Budget and Finance Committee is composed of both adult board members and state FFA officers. A state officer who was a member of that committee will present the budget. A main motion may be offered to adopt the proposed budget for 2023-2024. Discussion or inquiries should be offered after the motion is stated by the presiding officer. The motion requires a majority vote.

8. Approval of Honorary Lone Star Degree Recipients

Article V, Section F of the Texas FFA Constitution states the qualifications to achieve the Honorary Lone Star Degree from the Texas FFA Association. Candidates have been submitted by Area Associations, as well by the Texas FFA, and all applications were reviewed and approved. The constitution states that honorary degrees must be approved by the delegates at the State FFA Convention. The list of Honorary Lone Star Degree candidates can be found in the convention program. A main motion may be presented to approve the Honorary Lone Star FFA Degree candidates listed in the convention program. Discussion and inquiries should be offered after the motion is stated by the presiding officer. The motion requires a majority vote.

9. Approval of the State (Lone Star) Degree Recipients

Article VI, Section E of the Texas FFA Constitution outlines that the candidates nominated by the State FFA Executive Director and Board of Directors to receive the state (Lone Star) FFA Degree must be approved by the delegates at the State FFA Convention. The list of state FFA degree candidates can be found in the convention program. A main motion may be offered to approve those state FFA degree candidates listed in the convention program. Discussion or inquiries should be offered after the motion is stated by the presiding officer. The motion requires a majority vote.

10. National Officer Candidate

Article IX, Section A(3) of the Texas FFA Constitution reads, *"To represent the Texas FFA Association/Texas Association Future Farmers of America at the National Convention, a National Officer Candidate must:...Be elected as the National Officer Candidate representing Texas by a majority vote of the delegates present at the state convention preceding the national convention at which the candidate is to run for National Office."* At this time the floor is opened for further nominations for the 2023-2024 Texas FFA National Officer candidate. The national officer nominee shall be elected by a majority vote of the delegate body, at this time we will proceed to vote. Online voting instructions will be read aloud on stage.

11. Texas FFA 2023-2024 State Officer Team

Article X of the National FFA Constitution states the following, *"All state officers shall be elected annually by a majority vote of the delegates present at any regular convention of the state association."* Placement of the 2023-2024 state officer team will be determined by 60% of the nominating committee score and 40% vote of the delegates during the 3rd general session of the 95th annual Texas FFA State Convention and installed during the 5th general session of the 95th annual Texas FFA State Convention. At this time, we will accept a motion to approve these twelve individuals to serve as the 2023-2024 Texas FFA State Officer team.

12. Constitutional Amendments

Article XVII of the Texas FFA Constitution states the following concerning proposed amendments to the constitution or bylaws:

Section A. Amendments to the Texas FFA Constitution and/or Bylaws may be submitted by an Area FFA Association, the Board of Student Officers, or State FFA Board of Directors. The proposed amendments to the State Constitution and/or Bylaws from an Area Association must be submitted in writing to the Texas FFA at least 60 days prior to the next State FFA Convention for review by the State FFA Board of Directors and the Board of Student Officers. All proposed amendments to the Texas FFA Constitution and/or Bylaws must be submitted by the State Executive Director to the local chapters at least 30 days prior to the next State FFA Convention. The State FFA Officers shall

present the delegates at the State Convention. An amendment to the State FFA Constitution may be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the votes cast by the official delegates at the State Convention. An amendment to the Bylaws shall require a majority vote of the official delegates at the State FFA Convention. Amendments to the Bylaws must not conflict with the State or National FFA Constitutions.

The Texas FFA Board of Directors submits 15 constitutional amendments to the delegate body for consideration. Since the proposed amendments are related to the constitution, a two-thirds vote is required for passage. These amendments are the result of the State Officer Task Force composed of agricultural science teachers from each of the twelve areas, current FFA state officers, and representatives of the Texas FFA Board of Directors. These amendments were voted on, approved, and are presented to the delegation on behalf of the Texas FFA Board of Directors.

13. Other Business

The chair will ask if there is any other business. A delegate may present any motion or proposal that does not require prior notice.

14. Adjournment of the Delegate Business Session

2023 Texas FFA Convention

Business Session Standing Rules

Rules on Credentials:

1. All delegates must be checked in with their FFA ID number prior to the session. The number of delegates allowed per chapter are assigned according to the Texas FFA Constitution and Bylaws.
2. Only registered delegates, area and state officers, and no more than two advisors per area will be allowed in the delegate section of the convention during the business session.

Rules on Delegates:

1. All voting members shall register before assuming their status as delegates.
2. Delegates shall wear their delegate credentials during the business session.
3. Only registered delegates of the business session shall be entitled to make motions, debate and vote. Area officers that are not serving as delegates, state officers, and designated advisors are to help facilitate the process ONLY.

Rules on Motions:

1. Main Motions and amendments shall be put in writing and presented to the presiding officer at the request of the presiding officer;
2. Editorial changes to motions, proposed constitutional amendments, or resolutions may be submitted to the presiding officer directly at windsor.godfrey@texasffa.org. Any such motions offered on the floor shall be ruled out of order by the President.
3. In order to obtain the floor to debate or present motions, with the exception of those motions that are in order when another member has the floor, each voting member shall approach the microphone holding the area sign, address the chair, give his or her name, chapter and wait for recognition prior to making a statement.
4. Debate shall be alternated, as far as possible, between those favoring and those opposing a motion, limited to two minutes for each speaker and fifteen minutes for each question (only speaking will be timed). No member shall speak more than once on the same question until all have spoken who wish to do so.
5. Motions requiring a two-thirds vote will be determined by standing vote or general consent. Votes will be counted if the chair is unsure of the outcome.

Miscellaneous:

1. A committee of at least three members shall be appointed to review and approve the minutes of all convention delegate business sessions.
2. Any person who attends the business session shall conduct himself or herself in such a manner as to be a credit to the association. Any person not displaying exemplary behavior shall be subject to removal by the order of the presiding officer.
3. All electronic (or audible) devices shall be silenced (or disabled) during the business meeting. Members are prohibited from recording or live streaming the meeting.
4. If all items of business have not been transacted by 11:50 am, a mandatory recess will be taken at 12:00 pm. The business session will reconvene at the point at which the recess was taken during the time allocated in the fifth general session.

94th Texas FFA State Convention
Business Session Minutes
July 13, 2022

11:01 a.m. – Call to order –Ember Reyes, Texas FFA State President

Special guests and assistants were introduced to the delegate body:

- Professional Registered Parliamentarian Consultant – Kay Crews

Quorum Call: Article XIII, Section B of the Texas FFA Constitution states “A quorum shall exist when delegates representing more than 50% of the chapters registered for convention are present.” The presiding officer called for the quorum.

- There are delegates from 686 chapters present, representing 97 % of chapters registered; therefore, there was a quorum present.

State President Ember Reyes noted the Standing Rules included in the delegate packet. There was no request to read the rules allowed. Standing Rules adopted by general consent.

State Vice President **Brady Neuman** presented the minutes from the 93 rd Texas FFA State Convention Business Session. Per the 2021 convention standing rules, a committee was appointed by the President to review and approve the minutes of the 93 rd Texas FFA State Convention. Members of that committee were:

- **Peyton Jarzombek, Floresville FFA, Area VII**
- **Abbie Cox, Peaster FFA, Area IV**
- **Cate Heiner, Godley FFA, Area VIII**

This was simply a committee report. No action was needed since the standing rules designated that this committee would approve the minutes.

State Vice President **Cade Conrad** presented the Treasurer’s Report. The Texas FFA Association was in solid financial position with total net assets of \$2,349,430.19. This was for information only. Reports have been filed with the Briggs & Veselka, an auditing firm for the Texas FFA Association who reports to the Board of Directors.

Article XVI, Section A of the Texas Constitution states, “*Annual Membership dues in the Texas FFA Association/Texas Association of Future Farmers of America shall be fixed by a majority vote of the delegates at the Texas FFA Convention. Local chapters shall be notified of a proposed dues change 30 days prior to the State FFA Convention.*” State President Blake Mills presented the Board of Directors and Board of student officer’s recommendation that the annual dues remain at \$5.00.

- **Hannah Smith, Bridgeland FFA, Area III moved to fix the annual dues for to \$5.00 per member for the 2022-2023 year.**
- **Motion was seconded and passed viva voce.**

State Vice President **Brady Neuman** presented the proposed balanced budget for the 2022-2023 year.

- **Gage Owens, Sonora FFA, Area II moved to accept the 2022-2023 budget.**
- **Motion was seconded and passed viva voce.**

State President **Ember Reyes** presented candidates who were nominated by the twelve Area Associations and the Texas FFA Association to receive the Honorary Lone Star Degree as listed on page 161 of the convention program.

- **Marlee Price, Groesbeck FFA, Area VIII, moved to accept the Honorary Lone Star Degree Candidates as listed in the convention program.**
- **Motion was seconded and passed viva voce.**

State President **Ember Reyes** presented the candidates listed on page 70 of the convention program who were nominated by the State FFA Executive Director and Board of Directors to receive the Lone Star FFA Degree. These candidates met all degree requirements and had their documentation verified at the State Degree and Awards Check in Stephenville, TX.

- **Kort Crandall, New Home FFA, Area II moved to approve those Lone Star FFA candidates listed in the convention program.**
- **Motion was seconded and passed viva voce.**

State President **Ember Reyes** presented the report of the Nominating Committee as submitted by committee chairman Connor Pence.

- **Nominating Committee, as read by State President Ember Reyes, moved to nominate Ryan Williamson of the El Campo FFA chapter as the 2022 National Officer Candidate for the Texas FFA Association.**
- **Ryan Williamson accepted the nomination and gave remarks.**
- **The Chair opened the floor for further nominations. There being none, nominations were closed.**
- **Motion received a second.**
- **Motion passed and Ryan Williamson was formally accepted as the Texas National FFA Officer Candidate.**

State President **Ember Reyes** reviewed the process in which delegates will vote for the 2022-2023 state officer team, via mobile app or polling stations located in Hall F.

11:21 A.M. – Business Session adjourned by general consent.

REVENUE	2021-2022	2022-2023	Proposed 2023-2024	Budget Change	PCT of Budget
Membership Dues/Affiliation Fees	1,350,000.00	1,453,000.00	1,590,000.00	137,000.00	39.8521
Convention Revenue	1,260,505.00	1,223,203.00	1,445,645.00	222,442.00	36.23396
Registration	603,000.00	597,825.00	699,175.00	101,350.00	
Partnerships	44,500.00	43,000.00	53,000.00	10,000.00	
Exhibits	140,000.00	120,000.00	177,300.00	57,300.00	
Merchandising	31,000.00	31,000.00	30,300.00	-700.00	
Rodeo	41,000.00	38,250.00	42,670.00	4,420.00	
Food Court	220,005.00	214,128.00	224,000.00	9,872.00	
Parking	116,000.00	105,000.00	134,250.00	29,250.00	
Reimbursements	65,000.00	74,000.00	84,950.00	10,950.00	
State Leadership Programs	111,500.00	123,200.00	121,380.00	-1,820.00	3.042294
National Convention Reimbursement	30,000.00	36,000.00	36,000.00	0.00	0.902312
Swine Validation	539,000.00	562,000.00	543,000.00	-19,000.00	13.60987
Investments/Interest/Dividends, Miscellaneous	33,500.00	60,645.00	58,500.00	-2,145.00	1.466257
Designated Gifts/Grants	35,000.00	28,500.00	40,000.00	11,500.00	1.002569
Student Officer Programs	24,700.00	28,200.00	27,200.00	-1,000.00	0.681747
Carl Perkins-Federal Grant	69,424.75	65,717.00	65,717.00	0.00	1.647145
Salary Reimbursement	39,000.00	39,000.00	42,000.00	3,000.00	1.052697
Entry Fees (Agriscience Fair/Speaking Events/Quiz Bowl)	18,500.00	18,260.00	20,310.00	2,050.00	0.509054
TOTAL PROJECTED REVENUE	3,511,129.75	3,637,725.00	3,989,752.00	352,027.00	100
EXPENSES					
State Officers	162,400.00	164,900.00	164,900.00	0.00	4.040041
Travel Team Vehicle	12,700.00	11,000.00	16,575.00	5,575.00	0.406087
State Convention	1,171,671.50	1,167,686.50	1,343,000.00	175,313.50	32.90342
Facility/Decorator	157,000.00	120,000.00	190,000.00	70,000.00	
Production/Audio Visual	195,000.00	240,000.00	325,000.00	85,000.00	
Headquarter Hotel/Meals/Food Court	249,671.50	247,436.50	225,000.00	-22,436.50	
BEO/Catering	60,000.00	100,000.00	60,000.00	-40,000.00	
Awards, Supplies, Printing	59,000.00	50,750.00	52,000.00	1,250.00	
Support Services (Security/EMS/Parking/Production)	85,000.00	90,000.00	97,000.00	7,000.00	
Speakers	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00	
Merchandising	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00	
Chorus	21,000.00	21,000.00	21,000.00	0.00	
Student Media	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	
Rodeo	45,000.00	55,000.00	60,000.00	5,000.00	
Technical Support/Transportation/Planning/Housing Service	96,000.00	86,000.00	115,000.00	29,000.00	
Event Insurance	5,500.00	5,500.00	6,000.00	500.00	
Entertainment/Events	44,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	0.00	
Parking	107,500.00	75,000.00	115,000.00	40,000.00	
National FFA Convention	67,000.00	75,000.00	81,000.00	6,000.00	1.984495
Leadership Programs	182,500.00	186,000.00	188,000.00	2,000.00	4.605989
Communications (magazines, newsletter, online, Power Group)	27,300.00	27,300.00	27,300.00	0.00	0.668848
Degree, Award, Scholarship Selection	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	0.00	0.734998
TX FFA Funded Scholarships	40,100.00	35,100.00	34,100.00	-1,000.00	0.835448
National Dues	810,000.00	890,000.00	956,500.00	66,500.00	23.4342
Office Operations	140,851.00	141,351.00	137,151.00	-4,200.00	3.360192
Rent, Maintenance, Storage	54,000.00	54,000.00	54,000.00	0.00	
Supplies	4,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	
Postage	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	
Printing	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00	0.00	
Office Equipment	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00	
Equipment Depreciation	4,000.00	4,000.00	1,800.00	-2,200.00	
Telephone/Receptionist	8,400.00	8,400.00	8,400.00	0.00	
Bank Charges/Investment Fees	3,200.00	5,200.00	3,200.00	-2,000.00	
Internet Services/Software	5,000.00	4,500.00	4,500.00	0.00	
Furniture	500.00	500.00	500.00	0.00	
Publications	150.00	150.00	150.00	0.00	
Website Hosting/Membership Management	53,101.00	53,101.00	53,101.00	0.00	
Insurance	3,200.00	3,200.00	4,000.00	800.00	0.098
Professional Services (Legal, Audit)	18,000.00	20,500.00	27,500.00	7,000.00	0.673748
Swine Validation/Animal Industries	208,500.00	200,500.00	212,500.00	12,000.00	5.206238
Human Resources: Personnel	589,037.00	631,857.71	801,016.22	169,158.51	19.62485
Travel: Staff, Executive Director	24,250.00	29,750.00	29,750.00	0.00	0.728873
FFA Intern Expenses	5,600.00	5,600.00	4,600.00	-1,000.00	0.1127
Miscellaneous, Special Projects	8,750.00	8,750.00	8,750.00	0.00	0.214374
Board of Directors	9,000.00	9,000.00	15,000.00	6,000.00	0.367499
TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENSES	3,510,859.50	3,637,495.21	4,081,642.22	444,147.01	100
Net Profit/Loss	270.25	229.79	-91,890.22		

MEMORANDUM

DATE: Thursday, June 1, 2023

TO: Texas FFA Chapters
Texas FFA Advisors
Delegates to the 95th Texas FFA State Convention

FROM: Jennifer Jackson, Executive Director

RE: Constitutional Amendments and Information for the Delegates to the 95th Texas FFA State Convention in Dallas, Texas

Amendments to the Texas FFA Constitution

The State Executive Director is to submit all constitutional amendments to local chapters at least 30 days prior to the next State FFA Convention (Article XVII. Amendments). Likewise, as outlined in Article XVII, amendments must be submitted in writing for review by the Board of Directors at least 60 days prior to the next State FFA Convention.

Fifteen constitutional amendments were submitted at least 60 days prior to the State FFA Convention. The board of directors reviewed and approved these amendments during the 3rd Quarter Board Meeting on April 3, 2023.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT 1

To the Texas FFA Association Constitution

Related to **Article IX. National Officer Candidate Procedure for Election**

Amending **Section A** by **inserting** “sole”.

ARTICLE IX. NATIONAL OFFICER CANDIDATE PROCEDURE FOR ELECTION

Section A. To represent the Texas FFA Association/Texas Association of Future Farmers of America at the National Convention, a National Officer Candidate must:

- (2) Receive the nomination from the candidate’s respective Area to represent that Area as their sole national officer candidate at the Texas FFA Convention.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT 2

To the Texas FFA Association Constitution

Related to **Article IX. National Officer Candidate Procedure for Election**

Amending **Section A** by **striking** item 3 and **adding in its place** “The National Officer candidate shall be determined using the selection process outlined in policy for 60% of the score and a vote of the delegates at the state convention for 40% of the score.”

ARTICLE IX. NATIONAL OFFICER CANDIDATE PROCEDURE FOR ELECTION

- (3) ~~Be elected as the National Officer Candidate representing Texas by a majority vote of the delegates present at the state convention preceding the national convention at which the candidate is to run for National office.~~ The National Officer candidate shall be determined using the selection process outlined in policy for 60% of the score and a vote of the delegates at the state convention for 40% of the score.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT 3

To the Texas FFA Association Constitution

Related to **Article X. Election, Succession, Replacement And Discharge Of State Officers**

Amending **Article X.** by **striking** “election” and **adding in its place** “selection”.

Article X. ~~ELECTION~~SELECTION, SUCCESSION, REPLACEMENT AND DISCHARGE OF STATE OFFICERS

PROPOSED AMENDMENT 4

To the Texas FFA Association Constitution

Related to **Article X. Election, Succession, Replacement And Discharge Of State Officers**

Amending **Section A** by **striking** “elected”.

Article X. ELECTION, SUCCESSION, REPLACEMENT AND DISCHARGE OF STATE OFFICERS

Section A. ~~The elected~~ officers of the Texas FFA Association/Texas Association of Future Farmers of America shall be selected and nominated by each of the Area Associations.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT 5

To the Texas FFA Association Constitution

Related to **Article X. Election, Succession, Replacement And Discharge Of State Officers**

Amending **Section A** by **striking** Each of these officers has an opportunity to demonstrate FFA, agricultural education, parliamentary procedure and agricultural industry knowledge via a written exam, present their qualifications to an evaluation committee and appear before the state convention body delegates and deliver a campaign speech. and **adding in its place** “Each area may nominate up to two candidates to participate in the state selection process.”

Article X. ELECTION, SUCCESSION, REPLACEMENT AND DISCHARGE OF STATE OFFICERS

Section A. ~~Each of these officers has an opportunity to demonstrate FFA, agricultural education, parliamentary procedure and agricultural industry knowledge via a written exam, present their qualifications to an evaluation committee and appear before the state convention body delegates and deliver a campaign speech.~~ *Each area may nominate up to two candidates to participate in the state selection process.*

PROPOSED AMENDMENT 6

To the Texas FFA Association Constitution

Related to **Article X. Election, Succession, Replacement And Discharge Of State Officers**

Amending **Section A** by **striking** A president shall be elected from the state officers by a combination of interview score, 60 percent, and a score derived from the vote of delegates present, 40 percent. and **adding in its place** “The state officer team will consist of one officer from each area and shall be determined using the selection process outlined in policy for 60% of the score and a vote of the delegates at the state convention for 40% of the score.”

Article X. ELECTION, SUCCESSION, REPLACEMENT AND DISCHARGE OF STATE OFFICERS

Section A. ~~A president shall be elected from the state officers by a combination of interview score, 60 percent, and a score derived from the vote of delegates present, 40 percent.~~ *The state officer team will consist of one officer from each area and shall be determined using the selection process outlined in policy for 60% of the score and a vote of the delegates at the state convention for 40% of the score.*

PROPOSED AMENDMENT 7

To the Texas FFA Association Constitution

Related to **Article X. Election, Succession, Replacement And Discharge Of State Officers**

Amending **Section A** by **striking** The state elections committee shall consist of the outgoing state officers, with the State Executive Board acting as an advisory committee. The chairman of the elections committee shall be a current state officer designated by the board of directors. Chairman of the Board of Directors shall act as chairman of the advisory committee. These two committees will work in conjunction with each other on all decisions concerning the election. Results of all elections will be announced as seen fit by the two committees. No results will be posted concerning the election, and any questions concerning the election shall be taken up with the chairman of the advisory committee. and **adding in its place** “The oversight of the process will be determined by the Texas FFA Board of Directors and will be outlined in policy.”

Article X. ELECTION, SUCCESSION, REPLACEMENT AND DISCHARGE OF STATE OFFICERS

Section A. ~~The state elections committee shall consist of the outgoing state officers, with the State Executive Board acting as an advisory committee. The chairman of the elections committee shall be a current state officer designated by the board of directors.~~

~~Chairman of the Board of Directors shall act as chairman of the advisory committee. These two committees will work in conjunction with each other on all decisions concerning the election.~~

~~Results of all elections will be announced as seen fit by the two committees. No results will be posted concerning the election, and any questions concerning the election shall be taken up with the chairman of the advisory committee.~~

The oversight of the process will be determined by the Texas FFA Board of Directors and will be outlined in policy.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT 8

To the Texas FFA Association Constitution

Related to **Article X. Election, Succession, Replacement And Discharge Of State Officers**

Amending by **inserting** a new **Section B.** by **striking** from **Section A.** The winner of the final election shall be declared President of the State Association, and the candidate receiving the second highest score total in the final runoff election shall be declared the first vice president. The remaining officers shall be called vice presidents, and shall assume the stations of the various other FFA offices for ceremonial purpose at the annual convention and other meetings throughout the year. and **adding in its place** “The state officer team shall consist of a President, First Vice President and the remaining officers will be considered Vice Presidents. The President shall be the candidate receiving the highest score of the combined process and vote of the state delegation. The First Vice President shall be the candidate receiving the second highest score of the combined process and vote of the state delegation.”

Article X. ELECTION, SUCCESSION, REPLACEMENT AND DISCHARGE OF STATE OFFICERS

~~**Section A.** The winner of the final election shall be declared President of the State Association, and the candidate receiving the second highest score total in the final runoff election shall be declared the first vice president. The remaining officers shall be called vice presidents, and shall assume the stations of the various other FFA offices for ceremonial purpose at the annual convention and other meetings throughout the year.~~

***Section B.** The state officer team shall consist of a President, First Vice President and the remaining officers will be considered Vice Presidents. The President shall be the candidate receiving the highest score of the combined process and vote of the state delegation. The First Vice President shall be the candidate receiving the second highest score of the combined process and vote of the state delegation.*

PROPOSED AMENDMENT 9

To the Texas FFA Association Constitution

Related to **Article X. Election, Succession, Replacement And Discharge Of State Officers**

Amending by **striking** language of current **Section C.** and merging new language to original **Section B.** in order to create new **Section C.** in **Article X.**

Article X. ELECTION, SUCCESSION, REPLACEMENT AND DISCHARGE OF STATE OFFICERS

~~**Section B.** If for any reason a student officer becomes vacant, the area from which the vacancy occurs shall elect another student officer. If for any reason the office of President~~ ***or First Vice President*** ~~should become vacant, the student officer who received the next highest score in the election for President~~ ***of the combined process and vote of the state delegates,*** ~~shall become President or~~ ***shall fill the vacancy. All other vacancies shall be filled at the discretion of the Texas FFA Board of Directors.***

~~**Section C.** The officers of the areas, districts and local chapters shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter, Sentinel, Advisor, and other officers if desired. All of these officers must be active FFA members and be enrolled in high school throughout the duration of their term.~~

PROPOSED AMENDMENT 10

To the Texas FFA Association Constitution

Related to **Article X. Election, Succession, Replacement And Discharge Of State Officers**
Amending by **striking** the language in current **Section E** and **renumbering as necessary**.

Article X. ELECTION, SUCCESSION, REPLACEMENT AND DISCHARGE OF STATE OFFICERS

~~**Section E.** Each Area Association may elect one state officer each year. The state officer shall be elected by a combination of interview score, 60 percent, and a score derived from the vote of delegates present, 40 percent and in accordance to policies adopted by the State FFA Board of Directors.~~

PROPOSED AMENDMENT 11

To the Texas FFA Association Constitution

Related to **Article X. Election, Succession, Replacement And Discharge Of State Officers**
Amending by **striking** the current **Section F.** and **adding in its place** the letter “E” with amended language.

Article X. ELECTION, SUCCESSION, REPLACEMENT AND DISCHARGE OF STATE OFFICERS

~~**Section F.**~~ **E.** The state officers shall hold the State FFA Degree at the time of their election at the state convention and must be active members for the duration of their term in office. A candidate may be eligible to run for state office ~~through~~ during the first and/or second convention after their graduation from high school.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT 12

To the Texas FFA Association Constitution

Related to **Article X. Election, Succession, Replacement And Discharge Of State Officers**
Amending by **striking** the current **Section G.** and **adding in its place** the letter “F” and **striking** “The State FFA Board of Directors shall have the power to appoint a qualified member to fill any office which becomes vacant between state conventions.”

Article X. ELECTION, SUCCESSION, REPLACEMENT AND DISCHARGE OF STATE OFFICERS

~~**Section G.**~~ **F.** State FFA Officers shall serve from one state convention through the next succeeding state convention and shall not be reelected, nor eligible for election to another state office. In the event a state convention is not held in any given year, the State Board of Directors shall make provisions for the appointment of state officers for the next succeeding year. ~~The State FFA Board of Directors shall have the power to appoint a qualified member to fill any office which becomes vacant between state conventions.~~

PROPOSED AMENDMENT 13

To the Texas FFA Association Constitution

Related to **Article XII. Area, District and Chapter Officers**

Amending **Section A.** by **adding** “All of these officers must be active FFA members and be enrolled in high school throughout the duration of their term.”

Article XII. AREA, DISTRICT & CHAPTER OFFICERS

Section A. The offices of the Area FFA Associations shall be: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter, and Sentinel. Other officers may be elected as deemed appropriate by the Area Association. Area officers shall serve no more than one full term. The advisor of the area president shall be the Area Advisor. If an officer moves out of his or her respective area, the office will be vacated and replacement will be elected according to Area Constitution. *All officers must be active FFA members and be enrolled in high school throughout the duration of their term.*

PROPOSED AMENDMENT 14

To the Texas FFA Association Constitution

Related to **Article XII. Area, District and Chapter Officers**

Amending **Section B.** by **adding** “All of these officers must be active FFA members and be enrolled in high school throughout the duration of their term.”

Article XII. AREA, DISTRICT & CHAPTER OFFICERS

Section B. The offices of the District Association shall be: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter, and Sentinel. Other officers may be elected as deemed necessary by the District Association. The advisor of the district president shall be the District Advisor. If an officer moves out of his or her respective district, the office will be vacated and replacement will be elected according to District constitution. *“All officers must be active FFA members and be enrolled in high school throughout the duration of their term.”*

PROPOSED AMENDMENT 15

To the Texas FFA Association Constitution

Related to **Article XII. Area, District and Chapter Officers**

Amending **Section C.** by **adding** “All of these officers must be active FFA members and be enrolled in high school throughout the duration of their term.”

Article XII. AREA, DISTRICT & CHAPTER OFFICERS

Section C. The offices of local Chapters shall be: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter, and Sentinel. Other officers may be elected as provided for by the Chapter constitution. The advisor of the chapter shall be the Agricultural Science Teacher(s) in that school. If an officer moves to another chapter, the office will be vacated and replacement will be elected through according to Chapter constitution. *“All officers must be active FFA members and be enrolled in high school throughout the duration of their term.”*
