Ohio Junior Shorthorn Association

By-Laws

Article I Membership

- 1. Any member who is an interested party in good standing and has not had their 22nd birthday as of January 1, and has an interest in Shorthorn or Shorthorn Plus cattle, either breeding cattle or steers, may become an individual junior member of the Ohio Junior Shorthorn Association.
- 2. Lifetime membership fee is \$50 and is due at the time of joining.
- 3. You can become a member of the Association at the age of 5, as of January 1st, to participate in contests. To exhibit cattle you must be 7 years of age as of January 1st.
- 4. The voting of members shall be vested exclusively in the organizational members.
- 5. Move the sections about being a member of the state board to run for national to the regular membership section and add the following:
 - i. To be eligible to run for a position on the National Board any interested members must formally notify the State Board via written letter, email or phone call.
 - 1. If more than one person is interested in running in one year there will be a formal process to select a candidate.

Article II Junior Board

- 1. To be eligible for the Junior Board you must exhibit cattle for 2 years (any breed) but you must have exhibited Shorthorns for 1 year prior to running.
- 2. Applicants must be 15 years of age as of January 1.
- 3. Terms consist of 3 years, but members may run for re-election.
 - a. This clause dissolves at the Conclusion of the Preview Show Meeting in 2020.
 - b. The existing board members with terms will stay in their current position until the date mentioned above. At the conclusion of this time, we will revert to the traditional 3 year term format.
- 4. Any officer and/or director so elected, may be removed by a majority $\frac{2}{3}$ vote at any regular meeting at which quorum is present, provided that such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the person so removed.
- 5. Resignation. Any member of the board of directors may resign at any time by giving written notice thereof to the remaining members of the board of directors. Such resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein; and, unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective. If any director misses two required events they will be asked to resign by the board.

- 6. Vacancies. Vacancies in the membership of the board of directors resulting from any cause, including an increase in the number of members of the board of directors, shall be filled by a majority vote of the remaining members of the board of directors at their next regular meeting or at a special meeting called for that purpose. A member appointed to fill a vacancy created by any reason other than an increase in the number of members of the board of directors, shall serve for the unexpired term of his/her predecessor in office and until his successor has been elected and qualified. A member appointed because of an increase in the number of the board of direct
- 7. Juniors that wish to be on the Junior Board will have to fill out an application a week before the Preview Show and go through an interview at the Preview Show where the new Board Members will be announced during the meeting at the Preview Show.
- 8. There must be an odd number of board members with a maximum of 9.
- Meetings. All meetings of the board of directors may be held at any place, as the board of directors may determine by resolution, or by written consent of all members of the board.
- 10. Quorum. At all meetings of the board of directors, a majority or more directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
- 11. Advisory Board. The Ohio Junior Advisor(s) shall manage the affairs of the Ohio Junior Shorthorn Association subject to the approval of the Ohio Shorthorn Breeders Association Board of Directors. The Ohio Junior Shorthorn Association Board of Directors shall receive guidance from the Ohio Junior Advisor(s). The Ohio Junior Advisor(s) shall act as representative of the actions of the Ohio Junior Shorthorn Association board of directors, subject to the approval of the Ohio Shorthorn Association board of directors

Article III Officer Duties

- 1. President. The president shall be the chief executive officer of the Association and shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Association, subject to the directions of the board of directors, and shall preside at all meetings of the members and the board of directors. He may execute all bonds, notes, debentures, mortgages and other contracts requiring a seal, under the seal of the Association, and he may cause the seal to be affixed thereto and may execute all other instruments for, in the name of and on behalf of the Association. The president shall appoint all committees of the Association. The president shall submit to the members annually at their annual meeting a report of the status of the Association and of its activities during the preceding year.
 - a. The president shall have such other and further duties and authority as may be prescribed elsewhere in these bylaws or from time to time by the board of directors

- 2. Vice President. The vice-president shall, in the absence, disability or inability to act of the president, perform the duties and exercise the posers of the president, and shall perform such other duties, as the president shall from time to time prescribe.
- 3. Secretary. The secretary shall attend all meetings of the members and of the board of directors, and shall record or cause to be recorded all votes taken and the minutes of all proceedings in a minute book of the association to be kept for that purpose. He/she shall perform like duties for the committees when requested by such committees to do so. He/she shall keep in safe custody the seal of the Association and when authorized to do so shall affix the same to any instrument requiring the seal, when so affixed; he/she shall attest it by his/her signature.
 - a. The secretary shall have the principal responsibility to give or cause to be given notice of all meetings of the board of directors and the members, but this shall not lessen the authority of others to give such notice as provided in these bylaws.
 - b. The secretary shall have the general duties, powers and responsibilities of a secretary of a corporation and shall have and perform such other duties, author
- 4. Treasurer. The Treasurer has two duties to fulfill. First, he or she is responsible for maintaining a constant and accurate record of all OJSA financial transactions. This applies even if the OJSA funds are disbursed by the Association. Second, he or she is responsible for leading projects which will help improve the financial position of the club.

Article IV Committees

1. General. The president of the Association may from time to time appoint and designate such committees, and the members thereof, as may be necessary or appropriate property to administer the activities and programs of the Association.

Article V Junior Nationals

- 1. Voting Delegates
 - a. Ohio will be represented by two delegates and each delegate shall be entitled to cast one vote on each matter submitted to a vote of the members.
 - b. Said delegates must be OJSA and AJSA members that are 15 years of age or older. If the OJSA does not have two members present fulfilling this age requirement, they may have younger delegates.
 - c. Said delegates will be selected by the OJSA Board.

Article VI Miscellaneous

- 1. Custodian of Securities. The board of directors may appoint the Ohio Shorthorn Breeders Association and the OJSA Advisor(s) to act as custodian of all securities and other valuables owned by the Association, and to resolution of the board of directors.
- 2. Depositories and Checks. The moneys of the Association shall be deposited in such manner, in such banks or trust companies, and may be withdrawn in such manner, as the board of directors may direct or designate.
- 3. Bond. Any officer or employee handling money or securities of the Association may be bonded at the Association's expense in such amount as may be determined by the board of directors.
- 4. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the Association shall begin on January 1 and end on December 31 of each year.
- 5. Budget. The board of directors shall receive for their review an annual budget each year from the Junior Advisor.

Article VII Revisions/ Amendments

 The bylaws of the Association may from time to time be altered or amended in any respect or repealed in whole or in part by the voting members of the Association, which power may be exercised by a vote of two-thirds of the delegates present at any annual or special meeting at which a quorum is present.