CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
OF
BARRY COUNTY 4-H HORSE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

ARTICLE I: Name
A. The organization shall be called the Barry County 4-H Horse Development Committee.

ARTICLE II: Purpose
A. The purpose of the 4-H Development Committee shall be to advise and support the 4-H staff in planning and conducting County 4-H programs.

ARTICLE III: Membership
A. Members shall consist of two adults and one teen from each 4-H horse club. Each club may have three votes – two (2) adult and one (1) teen member. Meetings are open to all 4-H horse families.
B. It is the responsibility of each leader to see that their club is represented at the meetings. A minimum of five meetings will be mandatory four of which are April, May, July and October with the exception of new clubs, which will be required to attend the May and July meetings.
C. All clubs are to start with voting privileges beginning with the April 2006 meeting. At least one member is to be present from each club for 3 consecutive meetings to maintain voting privileges with 2 adult (4-H parent or leader) and 1 teen vote from each club. If absent for 3 consecutive meetings you must attend 3 more consecutive meetings to retain voting privilege.
D. Ex-Officio (non-voting and non-office holding) members shall be the 4-H staff.

ARTICLE IV: Officers
A. The officers of the 4-H Horse Development Committee shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary and/or Treasurer.

ARTICLE V: Election of Officers
A. Election of officers shall be held annually at the October meeting, with terms of office to begin at the close of the election meeting.
B. The term of office shall be for one year.
C. Elections shall be held with nomination from the floor by a quorum of at least 50% of members.
ARTICLE VI  Duties of Officers
   A. The President shall preside at all meetings.
   B. The Vice-President shall preside at meetings in the absence of the President.
   C. The Secretary shall keep a written record of all regular and special meetings. The Secretary shall be responsible for keeping the roll.
   D. (1) The Treasurer shall receive and account for all monies of the organization.
       (2) The Treasurer shall pay all necessary expenditures and report them to the 4-H Horse Development Committee at the next meeting.

ARTICLE VII: Meetings
   A. Meetings shall be decided upon in the fall of each year or as deemed necessary and called by the 4-H staff, the Fair Superintendent and/or the President. Monthly meeting times and locations to be determined on a yearly basis.

ARTICLE VIII: The Constitution
   A. The Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting by a majority (50%) or more of the voting members present.

ARTICLE IX: The State Guidelines
   A. The State Guidelines of current bulletins shall be accepted as general rules and standards of judging for all 4-H horse activities unless modified by the Horse Development committee. This is stated annually in the Fair Book.

ARTICLE X: Availability
   A. The Constitution and By-Laws shall be available to every member of the Horse Development Committee and to all other interested persons.