

**OCEANA COUNTY 4-H SMALL MARKET ANIMAL ASSOCIATION
BY-LAWS
OCTOBER 2012**

ARTICLE I

NAME

- A. This organization shall be known as the Oceana County 4-H Small Market Animal Association (SMAA) Committee.
- B. This organization shall operate as a 4-H Developmental Committee as a part of the Oceana County 4-H Youth Council.

ARTICLE II

OBJECTIVES

- A. To provide guidance and leadership for the 4-H SMAA making it a positive educational experience for 4-Her's.
- B. To be responsible for the financial support for the SMAA program.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP

- A. The committee shall consist of six adult members and three junior members with equal voting privileges.
- B. Two new adult members shall be elected each year.
 - 1. One from the southern county area and one from the northern county area.
- C. The adult term shall consist of three years.
- D. Three junior members shall be elected each year.
 - 1. One member from the poultry project.
 - 2. One member from the rabbit project.
 - 3. One member from the feeder calf, young beef project.
- E. Each junior member's term will be one year.
- F. New committee member's terms shall commence immediately after the Annual Meeting
- G. Members can only serve two consecutive terms.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS

- A. The committee officers shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary.
- B. The Vice President and secretary shall be elected each year.
- C. The Vice President shall become President the next year.
- D. The Past President shall remain for one additional year as an advisor with voting rights.
- E. The Treasurer shall be elected every two years.
- F. New officers will be elected at the first meeting of the committee following the Annual Meeting in which Roberts Rules of Order take effect.

ARTICLE V

ANNUAL MEETING

- A. The annual meeting date shall be set by the committee to be held when sufficient funds are available to pay participants.
- B. New SMAA Committee members shall be nominated and elected at the Annual Meeting.
- C. SMAA members, leaders and parents shall have voting rights at the Annual Meeting.
- D. The annual meeting shall be used as a sounding board for committee policies.

ARTICLE VI

CHANGES IN BY-LAWS

- A. These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the total membership at the Annual Meeting. Members must be notified by mail in advance of the meeting in which the proposed changes will be brought before the membership.

ARTICLE VII

DISSOLUTION CLAUSE

- A. In the event that the Small Market Animal Association (SMAA) is dissolved or disbanded, the balance of the treasury after all outstanding debts have been paid, shall be donated to the Oceana County 4-H Youth Council to be used for educational purposes in animal project areas.