



**CONSTITUTION
SOUTHEAST DISTRICT
OF THE IOWA FFA ASSOCIATION**

**Revised and Amended at the 2018 Southeast District Convention
March 10, 2018**

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Southeast District of the Iowa Association of the National FFA Organization. However, the letters "FFA" and/or the words "Future Farmers of America" may be officially used to designate the association or its members thereof.

ARTICLE II. OFFICERS

Section A. The officers shall be as follows: Southeast District State Vice President (President), Northeast Vice President, Northwest Vice President, South Vice President, Secretary, Reporter and Treasurer. These seven and the District Advisor shall constitute the executive committee.

Section B. A nominating committee shall study the qualifications of all chapter members under consideration for district offices who have submitted applications for an office. Applications for office may be submitted by members using approved application forms.

Section C. All officers shall be elected from among the active members in good standing who are currently sophomores or juniors in high school and have attained the rank of Chapter FFA Degree.

Section D. Officer elections shall be held during the District FFA Conference, with the installation ceremonies held following the elections in the final session. A nominee must be elected by a combination of 2/5 the nominating committee score and 3/5 of votes cast by the official chapter delegates in attendance.

ARTICLE III. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF OFFICERS

Section A. Officers shall begin their duties after officer installation.

Section B. The duties of the officers shall be as listed:

- 1) Southeast District State Vice President (President)
 - duties as specified by the State FFA Constitution
- 2) Northeast Vice President
 - serve as President of the Northeast Sub-District.
 - keep the chapter officers and advisors of the Northeast Sub-District informed of all district activities.
- 3) Northwest Vice President
 - serve as President of the Northwest Sub-District.
 - keep the chapter officers and advisors of the Northwest Sub-District informed of all district activities.



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- 4) South Vice President
 - serve as President of the South Sub-District.
 - keep the chapter officers and advisors of the South Sub-District informed of all district activities.
- 5) Secretary
 - perform all duties as listed in the current Official FFA Manual.
- 6) Reporter
 - perform all duties as listed in the current Official FFA Manual.
- 7) Treasurer
 - perform all duties as listed in the current Official FFA Manual.

Section C. With the exception of the State Vice President, any district officer may be retired by a two-thirds vote of the executive committee. A probationary period, if deemed appropriate, may be established by the district advisor.

Section D. Vacancies in office shall be filled by the executive committee.

ARTICLE IV. ANNUAL PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

Section A. By June, there shall be ready a plan for the following twelve months which has been worked out by the executive committee.

Section B. The annual program shall indicate the projects and activities to be undertaken by the district during the year, and the way and means of reaching those objectives.

ARTICLE V. DERERMINING ILLEGIBILITY OF MEMBERS

Section A. The executive committee shall review the qualifications of chapter members for participation in district activities. Qualifications shall be based on (1) active membership as verified on the official membership roster, and (2) payment of district dues by the member's chapter as verified by the district treasurer.

ARTICLE VI. MEETINGS

Section A. Executive committee meetings shall be held as deemed necessary. Meetings may be called by the State Vice President (President) and his/her discretion, on the advice of the executive committee as a whole or in part, or upon request of the District Advisor.

Section B. Regular attendance at executive meetings is required. Any district officer, with the exception of the State Vice President, who misses two meetings without valid excuse, may be retired from office. The State Vice President and District Advisor will evaluate all excuses for validity, with their recommendation being final and binding.

Section C. Retirement of the State Vice President will follow the policies and procedures set forth in the State FFA Constitution and By-Laws.



ARTICLE VII. FINANCES

- Section A. District costs shall be met by the district as a whole through assessment of chapters and sponsorship from area businesses.
- Section B. Individual officer expenses shall be met by the officer's chapter, by the officer him/herself, or a combination of these.
- Section C. District dues shall be set by a majority vote from the delegates at the District FFA Conference. The dues for this year shall be \$45.00 per chapter.

ARTICLE VIII. AMENDMENTS

- Section A. Amendments to this constitution shall be submitted in writing to the district secretary at least three weeks in advance of the District FFA Conference. The executive committee shall submit to each chapter its recommendation with respect to each proposed amendments. A two-thirds vote of all official delegates present at the District Conference is necessary for adoption.

BY-LAWS

- Section A. When possible, executive committee meetings will be held on weekends.
- Section B. All officers must meet the eligibility requirements of their individual school district and chapter to be able to serve as a district officer. Notice shall be given to the District Advisor by the individual's chapter advisor when an officer loses his or her eligibility.