

NORTH DAKOTA FFA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I: NAME AND PURPOSE

Section A:

The name of this organization shall be the North Dakota FFA Alumni Association. This organization is formed as a state affiliate with the National FFA Alumni Association.

Section B:

The purpose of the North Dakota FFA Alumni Association shall be:

1. To support and promote the FFA Organization, FFA activities and agricultural education on local, state and national level.
2. To provide a tie to the FFA and to assist FFA and agricultural education personnel to involve former members and other interested in supporting worthy activities.
3. To promote greater knowledge of the agricultural industry and support education in agriculture.
4. To cooperate with the North Dakota FFA Association, Local Alumni Affiliates and the National FFA Alumni Association.
5. To promote and maintain an appreciation of the American free enterprise system.
6. To promote the personal development aspect of the FFA.

ARTICLE II: ORGANIZATION

Section A:

The North Dakota FFA Alumni Association may consist of chartered local affiliates organized on a school, county, or other area basis. Membership may also be direct when no local affiliate is in existence.

Section B:

The North Dakota FFA Alumni Association accepts in full the provisions in the constitution and by-laws of the National FFA Alumni Association.

Section C:

A local affiliate shall be eligible to become a chartered affiliate when (1) it has at least 10 members who have paid state and national dues; (2) its purposes or constitution and by-laws are in harmony with the North Dakota and National FFA Alumni Associations; and (3) it has a designated chairman.

Section D:

When a local group becomes eligible to affiliate, it may apply to the state association to be chartered as a local affiliate of the North Dakota FFA Alumni Association. (An application shall be supplied by the State Secretary).

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

Section A:

Voting membership shall be open to all former active, collegiate and honorary FFA and Non-FFA members; present and former professional agricultural educators, parents of FFA members and others interested in the FFA upon payment of annual dues.

Section B:

Local affiliates may grant non-voting associate membership.

Section C:

Any group using the name "FFA Alumni": must affiliate and charter with the National FFA Alumni Association.

ARTICLE IV: EMBLEM

Section A:

The North Dakota FFA Alumni Association shall adopt any emblem voted on and passed by a majority of the delegates present at the National FFA Alumni Convention.

ARTICLE V: EXECUTIVE BODY

Section A:

The North Dakota FFA Alumni membership shall select annually a president, vice-president, secretary-treasurer and reporter from the membership. This election will take place during the annual North Dakota FFA Alumni Association meeting.

ARTICLE VI: MEETINGS

Section A:

The North Dakota FFA Alumni Association membership shall meet a minimum of two (2) times per year (A January Annual Meeting and an additional meeting place set at annual meeting). Additional meetings maybe called by the President or by a majority of the Council Members upon petition of the Secretary.

ARTICLE VII: DUES

Section A:

The annual dues of the North Dakota FFA Alumni Association shall be recommended by the North Dakota FFA Alumni

Association membership and fixed by majority vote of members present at the annual meeting. State and National dues must be paid on a National membership year basis for all active FFA Alumni members. No member shall be considered an active member in good stand in unless full dues are paid.

Section B:

All membership dues and local FFA Alumni Affiliate rosters are to be completed and forwarded to the North Dakota FFA Alumni secretary/ treasurer six (6) weeks after start of the National membership year.

Section C:

A "Life Membership" dues package of \$150.00 plus a \$10.00 Processing fee for national and \$35.00 state dues is available.

ARTICLE VIII: AMENDMENTS

Section A:

The by-laws of the North Dakota FFA Alumni Association may be amended or changed at the annual meeting by a two-thirds vote of the active members present providing it is not in conflict with the National FFA Alumni Association.

Section B:

Proposed amendments to the by-laws of the North Dakota FFA Alumni Association may be submitted by any active member and must be in writing and received by the secretary at least sixty days prior to the annual meeting.

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