

Between the Lakes 4-H H.O.R.S.E. Project By-Laws (Horse Or pony Rider Safety Education)

Name – Between the Lakes 4-H H.O.R.S.E. Project as voted by 4-H Youth whereas H.O.R.S.E. stands for **Horse Or pony Rider Safety Education**.

Purpose – To plan, promote and implement educational programs and activities for 4-H Horse and Horseless Horse Project Youth.

Membership – All 4-H Horse & Horseless Horse Project members and adult leaders, enrolled in 4-H are eligible to participate and have voting privileges. There will be no additional enrollment or membership fee for H.O.R.S.E Project.

The following requirements must be met and maintained to be a chartered group:

- a. Unit/Group/Committee name
- b. Adult leadership that has been approved through the Youth Protection process
- c. Educational plan which meets the purposes of the 4-H program
- d. Youth involvement in leadership and decision-making
- e. Meet on a continuing basis
- f. Have written operating guidelines, bylaws or constitution approved by the members to govern the unit/group/committee
- g. Open to any youth eligible for 4-H membership, regardless of race, color, creed, religion, sex, national origin, disability, ancestry, sexual orientation, pregnancy, marital or parental status.

Meetings – The 4-H H.O.R.S.E. project group shall have at least one organizational meeting of the membership during the year. Topics shall include planning educational workshops to host throughout the year, and fundraising that may be necessary. Additional meetings can be scheduled as needed and may be part of monthly educational programs and activities.

Group Leadership

The group shall be under the direction and guidance of an enrolled 4-H project leader(s), open to all adults regardless of that person's race, color, creed, religion, sex, national origin, disability, ancestry, age, sexual orientation, pregnancy, marital or parental status. All adult volunteers are required to participate in the Wisconsin 4-H Youth Protection Program.

There shall be assistant leaders and youth project leaders as are needed to properly advise and assist in conducting the group program.

The 4-H Group Year

The Wisconsin 4-H membership year is defined as October 1 – September 30 for the purpose of definition in Wisconsin 4-H Policies.

The Group Fiscal Year

The Wisconsin 4-H fiscal year is defined as July 1 – June 30.

Group Reporting

Annually, complete the 4-H Annual Charter Renewal Packet that includes critical communication, legal, financial and educational accountability requirements. This is submitted to the county UW-Extension office by November 1.

Dissolution – Upon dissolution of the group any assets must be turned over to a recognized 4-H club/unit/group, with the approval of the 4-H Leaders Council and the county 4-H Youth Development staff.

Bylaws - The bylaws may be amended by a simple majority vote of the total membership present at the annual Planning Meeting.

Date: 10/11/2018

Adult Leader: Amy Suha

Youth Leader: Catherine Suha