

# ARTICLE I NAME AND PURPOSE

## Section A.

The name of the organization shall be the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters. Known from this point forward as the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters (Chapter #TXA0046.)

## Section B.

The purpose of the organization shall be:

- To support and promote the FFA Organization FFA activities and agricultural education on local, state and national levels.
- To provide assistance for the FFA, and agricultural education personnel with involvement of former members and others interested parties in supporting worthy activities.
- To promote greater knowledge of agricultural industry and support education in agriculture.
- To cooperate with Allen FFA Chapter and the Texas State and National FFA Alumni Association.
- To promote and maintain an appreciation of the American Free enterprise system.
- To promote the personal development aspect of the FFA.
- To raise monies for annual Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters Scholarships.
- To raise monies for the enhancement and development of the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters program for all members.

#### ARTICLE II ORGANIZATION

#### Section A.

The Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters is a chartered local affiliate of the Texas FFA Alumni Association that is chartered by the National FFA Alumni Association. (If no state association exists, apply directly to the National.)

#### Section B.

The Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters accepts in full, the provisions in the constitution and bylaws of the Texas and National FFA Alumni Associations. (If no state association exists, apply directly to the National.)



## ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall be open to former active, collegiate and honorary FFA members, present and former professional agricultural educators, parents of FFA members and others interested in the FFA. Membership in good standing will be considered achieved upon payment of registration fee annually before the November Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters meeting. The registration fee will be used to pay the State and National FFA Chapter dues each year. All membership income over and beyond the State and National Dues will be applied to the General Ledger Account.

# ARTICLE IV EMBLEM

The gold FFA emblem with the word Alumni below it shall serve as the emblem of the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters.

## ARTICLE V EXECUTIVE BODY

#### Section A.

The executive body of the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters shall be the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters Council.

#### Section B.

The Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters Council shall consist of four persons. The council might be selected in such a way that represents a cross section of the community and consists of interested individuals. The Executive Board will be Elected and Voted in, during the April Meeting each year by the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters Members that are in good standing.

The current Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters Chapter President The current Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters Chapter Vice President The current FFA Alumni and Supporters Chapter Secretary The current FFA Alumni and Supporters Chapter Treasurer

The local Allen FFA advisor(s) shall serve as ex-officio non-voting member(s).



Section C.

The Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters Council shall appoint three additional supporting council positions.

The current FFA Alumni Chapter Ex-Officio President The current FFA Alumni Chapter Parliamentarian The current FFA Alumni Chapter Publicist

Section D.

All members of the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters Council must be active members in good standing of the FFA Alumni, and shall serve in their position a minimum of a one-year term.

## Section E.

The Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters shall elect annually at the April Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters meeting a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer from the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters membership that are in good standing.

Section F.

Duties of the officers shall be as flows but are not limited to and shall be consistent with those usually appertaining to these positions.

- **President** The President shall preside at all of the chapter's meetings, shall sign all official documents or authorize execution of said documents, appoint committee chairpersons and serve as an ex-officio committees, coordinate all chapter operations, represent the chapter in official functions and perform other such duties as usually pertain to the office of president.
- Vice President The Vice President shall perform the duties of the president in the event of the disability, death, resignation, removal or other inability of the president to perform such duties, develop the chapter's program of activities, coordinate the operations of all alumni committees, serve as an ex-officio member of all alumni committees and perform such other

duties and further duties as may be imposed upon his or her by the chapter.

- Secretary The Secretary shall make and keep correct records or minutes of proceedings of the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters chapter and Executive Board, prepare and post meeting agendas, file reports, maintain membership status activity records, update policy documents as directed and perform such other duties and further duties as may be imposed upon his or her by the chapter.
- **Treasurer** The Treasurer shall have responsibility for accounting of all funds and property of the chapter. The Treasurer shall provide direction and oversight to any and all who handle the monies of the chapter, assuring that the financial policies of the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters are followed completely, shall present a proposed budget at a regularly scheduled or called special chapter meetings, present monthly financial reports at chapter meetings, chair the budget and finance committee and perform such other duties and further duties as may be imposed upon his or her by the chapter.
- Parliamentarian The Parliamentarian is an expert in rules of order and the proper procedures for the conduct of meetings of deliberative assemblies. Parliamentarians assist organizations in the drafting and interpretation of Bylaws and Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters Constitution, and the planning and conduct of meetings.
- Publicist The Publicist shall chair the chapter public relations and develop public relations strategies to accurately define the public image of the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters program, develop or cause to be developed press releases (ie. Social Media Blasts to include but not limited to, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Allen ISD & Allen FFA Websites and or media pushes) concerning chapter activities, events and accomplishments, maintain or cause

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to be maintained a chapter website, develop working relationships with all local and school district media,

ensure a complete photographic record of all chapter activities and perform such other duties and further duties as may be imposed upon him or her by the chapter.

#### Ex-Officio Former President -

The Former President in a role shall provide guidance and wisdom from the previous term of the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters's Year, and to assist the current council throughout the year as needed per the council's direction.

# ARTICLE VI

#### Section A.

The Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters council shall meet at minimum on a quarterly basis, with it's first meeting no more than 30 days from the elections that installed the council. Additional meetings may be called by the president or by a majority of the council members upon petition to the secretary.

#### Section B.

There shall be monthly meetings of the membership of the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters with a minimum of six meetings per school year. Additional membership meetings, may be called by the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters council.

## ARTICLE VII Registration Fees

The annual registration fee of the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters shall be recommended by the FFA Alumni and Supporters council and fixed by majority vote of members per the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters Constitution. State and National dues must be paid on a calendar membership year basis for all active Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters members. No members shall be considered an active member and in good standing unless full registration fees are paid annually by the November Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters meeting.



# Article VIII Amendments

#### Section A.

The constitution of the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters may be amended or changed at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of the active members present providing it is not in conflict with the constitution of the State or National FFA Alumni Associations.

#### Section B.

Proposed amendments to the constitution of the Allen FFA Alumni may be submitted by any member in good standing and must be in writing and received by the secretary prior to the next Allen FFA Alumni meeting. Proposed amendments shall be approved by at least four members of the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters council before being submitted to the membership for consideration.

#### Section C.

Amendments to the bylaws of the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters may be adopted to fit the needs of the chapter at any regular chapter meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members in good standing present providing such bylaws in no way conflict with the constitution and bylaws of the State or National FFA Alumni Associations. Or alternate possibility as follows: Proposed amendments may be submitted by any member in good standing and must be in writing and received 30 days prior to the opening of the next Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters meeting.

Proposed amendments that have been approved for submission by twothirds majority of the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters Executive Board shall be submitted to the membership at least one week prior to the opening of the next Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters meeting. Voting shall be at the next possible meeting with affirmation by two-thirds of those present being necessary for adoption.



# Article IX Dissolution

Section A.

The Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters may be dissolved by written consent of not less than two-thirds of the members or in the event that ten dues paying members, accounting for lifetime members, are not obtained. In the event of the dissolution other than for the purpose of reorganization of the Alumni Association, none of the property, proceeds, or assets of the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters shall be distributed to any members of the Allen FFA Alumni and Supporters, but after payment of debts the property shall become the property of the Allen FFA Chapter for the benefit of assisting Chapter members.