

Revision to Ohio Holstein Association Bylaws

The Ohio Holstein Association Board of Directors have proposed some updates and changes to the Bylaws and request the members to vote on them at the Annual Meeting in March. The information below are the highlights of the changes. To review a complete copy of the proposed revised Bylaws, go to www.ohioholstein.com or request a mailed copy from the Ohio Holstein Association office.

ARTICLE IV DEFINITIONS

Use of the pronouns ~~he/him~~ **they/them/their** used in the Bylaws includes both male and female members.

ARTICLE I MEMBERSHIP

Section 5 The state membership chairman will be appointed by the Executive Committee and this person shall presently be a State **Board** Member. The Membership Committee shall consist of one member from each district. This person will serve as membership chairman of their district.

ARTICLE IV MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

Section 1 There shall be a regular annual meeting of members at such place and date as determined by the Board of Directors. The Call for the meeting shall be published at least **thirty (30) sixty (60)** days prior to the date of the meeting.

ARTICLE V OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

Section 3 A nomination committee shall be appointed by the Executive Committee to accept or make nominations for officers, and prepare a slate of nominees (when a vacancy is to be filled) to be presented to the delegate body when in session at the annual meeting as follows:

Not less than one name for President

Not less than one name ~~not less than two names~~ for Vice President

Not less than one name ~~not less than two names~~ for Secretary

Not less than one name ~~not less than two names~~ for Treasurer

Additional nominations may be made from the floor.

Section 4 **The term of office for the President and Vice-President shall be for two years. The term of office for the Secretary shall be for two years; the term of office for the Treasurer shall be for three years. These officers shall serve until their successors are elected. The term of office for the President and Vice-President shall be limited to two successive one-year terms. The terms of office for the Secretary shall be limited to three**

~~successive one year terms; the Treasurer shall be limited to four successive one year terms. These officers shall serve until their successors are elected and / or qualified.~~

Section 5

A. After being off the board for one year, a board director is eligible for re-election.

(Moved from E to B)

B. The Executive Committee may appoint a past board director or any member in good standing to serve for a one-year term in a vacant directorship if no other eligible nominees are found before re-election terms are served. (added clause)

~~H. Term of office of a director shall start at the reorganizational meeting of the Board following the Annual Meeting. Repeated from A~~

ARTICLE VI DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 2 The President, with the Executive Committee, will annually appoint committees charged with the responsibility of planning, developing, and executing programs embracing the following areas:

Annual Meeting, Breed Improvement, Buckeye Breed Builder, Shows, Finance, Building, *Ohio Holstein News*, Youth, Membership, Nominating, Program Development, Ohio Purebred Dairy Cattle Association, Resolutions, Sales (The committee list will be updated as they are added or removed)

~~**Section 3** — The President, with the Executive Committee, shall appoint three property trustees to be responsible for all Association property. Final authority on all matters pertaining to the Association property remains with the Board of Directors. (We have a building committee that serves this duty.)~~

Section 3 The Vice-President shall preside at all meetings in the absence of the president and shall perform the duties assigned to that office. They will serve as chairman of the Program Development and **Evaluation** Committee. *(We no longer have an Evaluation Committee)*

Section 11 The Board of Directors or Executive Committee may authorize compensation or reimbursement for expenses incurred by any board members or National Director on special assignments. ~~(Reimbursement for the expenses incurred by the board members and National Director will be limited to mileage in the performance of their duties. When such expenses are incurred by board members on special assignments, the board or executive committee may authorize compensation.)~~