

Constitution of EOU Agriculture (Ag) Club

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Article I: Name

Section 1:

The name of this organization shall be the EOU Agriculture (Ag) Club. The name was revised from the 'EOU Ag & Young Cattleman's Club' starting October 2015.

Article II: Purpose

Section 1:

- A) To familiarize members of the university, OSU Ag & NR Program and club members in general of the following aspects of the agricultural sector in eastern Oregon, PNW and the various agricultural industries including:
- 1) Business types and forms, both farm and non-farm
 - 2) Agriculture organizations within the community, both private and public
 - 3) Job opportunities
 - 4) Provide educational and career support for students interested in the livestock sectors, specifically beef cattle production.
 - 5) Provide educational and career support for students interested in the various segments of crops and soil sciences.
- B) To broaden the understanding of the members of the club and the university in general of the relationship between the various agricultural industries, food production and society.
- C) To support the OSU Agriculture & Natural Resource Program at Eastern Oregon University.

Article III: Membership

Section 1: *Qualification-*

Membership in the EOU Ag Club shall be open to all students, faculty and administrative personnel of Eastern Oregon University.

Section 2: *Current Membership-*

Currently no membership fees are required to be a member of the EOU Ag Club. To be considered an 'Active' member, students must attend/participate in at least 2/3 of the meetings/activities sponsored by the Ag Club during a term.

Article IV: Officers

Section 1: *Method of Election*

Six offices are available: 1) President, 2) Vice President-Livestock, 3) Vice President-Agronomy, 4) Secretary, 5) Treasurer, and 6) Reporter/Sergeant-at-Arms.

Officers shall be elected by a democratic vote of the members. A simple majority of those present, plus those sending sealed ballots in a signed envelope shall constitute a victory in any election. The current faculty advisor must be present at time of election to ensure fairness and validity of votes.

A 2-week notification shall be posted prior to the election of officers.

Section 2: *Term of Office*

Length of office shall be for one year, with new officers elected at the end of each spring term (with appointment starting the following fall term).

Section 3: *Duties*

- 1) **President:** The President will preside at business meetings of the club and conduct business in accordance with this constitution and Roberts Rules of Order.
- 2) **Vice-President-Livestock:** The VP-Livestock shall occupy the chair in the president's absence. The VP-Livestock will assist in developing and conducting educational activities associated with livestock production & marketing management.
- 3) **Vice-President-Agronomy:** The VP-Agronomy shall occupy the chair in the president's absence. The VP-Agronomy will assist in developing and conducting educational activities associated with Agronomic production & marketing management.
- 4) **Vice-President-Ag Education:** The VP-Ag Education shall occupy the chair in the president's absence. The VP-Ag Education will assist in developing and conducting educational activities associated with Agriculture Education.
- 4) **Secretary:** The Secretary shall record the minutes and keep current list of members.
- 5) **Treasurer:** The Treasure shall keep record of the club's accounts and provide fund balances when needed. The Treasure is responsible for deposit of revenues and distribution of funds to vendors and/or scholarship recipients.
- 6) **Reporter/Sergeant-At-Arms:** The Reporter/SAA shall act as a public relations person for campus and community; including providing information on upcoming events and meetings. The Reporter/SAA shall also keep the meeting room in order, welcome members and provided help with set up and tear down as needed.

Article V: Meetings

Section 1: *Time*

Meetings for the purpose of conducting business shall be organized regularly (at least once per month) at the time to be decided upon by voting members.

Article VI: Amendments

Section 1: *Amendment Changes*

This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the membership present at any regular meeting, provided that each member receives a copy of the amendment.

Article VII: Advisor(s)

Section 1: *Method of Selection*

The faculty advisor(s) shall be appointed by voting members of the club.

Section 2: *Duties*

Duties of the faculty advisor(s) shall be to serve as liaison between the OSU Ag & Natural Resource Program and Ag Club. Provide guidance to officers and members if needed; along with overall scope of the Ag Club.

Article VIII: Impeachment

Section 1: *Impeachment of Officers*

Any officer may be removed from office by a two thirds majority vote of active members within the Ag Club and present at the general club meeting enacting the impeachment process.

Section 2: *Impeachment of Faculty Advisor*

The faculty advisor may be removed by a two thirds majority vote of active members within the Ag Club and present at the general club meeting enacting the impeachment process.