

Lincoln FFA Chapter Constitution

Lincoln Chapter
Future Farmers of America
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Article I - Name and Purpose

Section A: The name of this organization shall be referred to as the Lincoln Chapter. It is part of the Sierra Buttes Section of the Superior Region and the California Association.

Section B: The Purpose for forming this organization are as follows.

Clause 1: To promote and encourage the fulfillment, on a sectional and chapter level, of the twelve purposes of the organization, as outlined in the state constitution.

Clause 2: To provide and actively promote inter-chapter activities on a sectional level.

Article II - Membership

Section A: The members of the organization shall be the active, associate, and honorary members of the FFA chapters

Article III - Officers

Section A: The officers of the Lincoln Chapter should be: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter, Sentinel, Historian, and Chapter Advisors. A student Advisor may be selected at the discretion of the advisors.

Section B: These officers and advisors shall constitute the Executive Committee.

Section C: The seven elected officers of the chapter shall be elected annually by the following selection process.

Clause 1: All candidates will complete a resumé and application that outlines their FFA

and leadership skills and accomplishments. These resúmes will be reviewed, scored, and ranked.

Clause 2: All candidates will undergo an interview to determine their qualifications, knowledge and commitment to the FFA. Candidates will be ranked according to quality of the interview.

Clause 3: Lincoln Chapter members will vote seven officers at a regular or special meeting prior to the FFA banquet. Candidates will be ranked according to the popular vote.

Clause 4: The rankings from the resumé/application, interview, and chapter will be combined and totaled. Candidates will be ranked according to these totals. Lincoln FFA advisors will use rankings and officer applications to determine which office the candidate is best suited for.

Clause 5: The new officers will be installed at the annual FFA banquet

Section D: To run for chapter office the candidate must hold at least the Greenhand FFA Degree, be a freshman, sophomore, or junior, and be currently enrolled in high school in an agriculture education program.

Section E: The application for office will be paper-screened by the Lincoln FFA Chapter Advisors.

Section F: A letter of resignation should be sent to the chapter advisor in the case of any officer being unable to fulfill their responsibility. An office constitutes being vacant when the officer is absent from three meetings, either a regular meeting or executive meeting. Should any vacancy occur in any office, the advisor may appoint a member to fill the office until the next regular election with a majority vote or consent from the voting delegates at a regular or special meeting.

Section G: The advisors will be teachers of agriculture at Western Placer Unified School District.

Section H: The duties of the officers will be:

Clause 1: President- To preside over all chapter meetings, conduct all business, represent the chapter at all activities, call special meetings, appoint committees, and serve as ex-officio member of these committees.

Clause 2: Vice President- To preside over meetings in the absence of the President, assist the President in conducting special activities, assume the duties of the President in event the office becomes vacant by resignation or otherwise.

Clause 3: Secretary- To conduct all chapter correspondence and record minutes of all meetings.

Clause 4: Treasurer- To be custodian of all chapter funds, and to keep a record of all chapter debts and credits. The chapter advisor shall be the advisor of the treasury.

Clause 5: Reporter- To report to the public all events and activities of the chapter. To maintain a chapter newsletter.

Clause 6: Sentinel- To take care of paraphernalia, keep the meeting room comfortable, and assist the president in maintaining order.

Clause 7: Historian- To accurately document current events of importance so they may be composed into a chapter scrapbook to preserve the history of the Lincoln Chapter. The Scrapbook shall be entered in the Superior Region Scrapbook Contest.

Clause 8: Advisor- To advise the organization in all problems and to help members in any way necessary. To assist the President in conducting activities of the chapter.

Article IV - Activity Fees

Section A: A fee of five dollars shall be assessed by the chapter annually to become an active member of the Lincoln Chapter.

Article V - Meetings

Section A: Meetings will be conducted monthly. Dates will be determined by the executive committee.

Section B: Parliamentary Procedure used in meetings shall be in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.

Article VI - Amendments

Section A: Proposed amendments to this constitution of the Lincoln Chapter shall be submitted in writing to the Executive Committee for consideration. After reviewing the proposed amendment, the Executive Committee will make copies available to chapter members. At the next regular meeting following the completion of the above acts, the proposed amendment shall be present to the voting delegation

Section B: Amendments to this constitution may be adopted by a two thirds vote of the voting delegates at any regular or special meetings in accordance with Article VI, Section A of this constitution with the approval of the Executive Committee of the Lincoln Chapter.