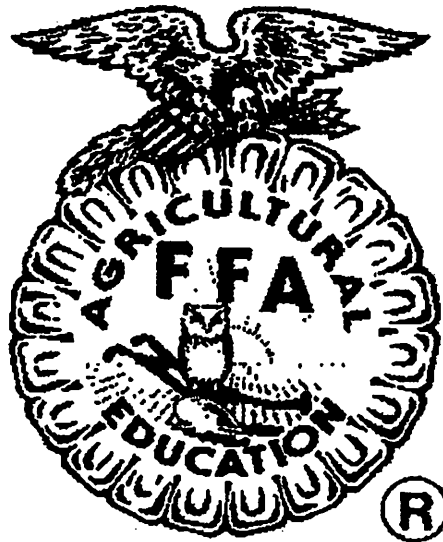


# HAWAII ASSOCIATION

## FFA

# CONSTITUTION



**“Learning to Do, Doing to Learn, Earning to Live, Living to Serve”**

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## ARTICLE I - NAME, OBJECTIVES, AND PURPOSES OF THE ORGANIZATION

**Section A.** The name of this organization shall be the "Hawaii Association FFA". Members are hereinafter referred to as "FFA Members". The letters "HAFFA" and/or words "Hawaii Association Future Farmers of America" may be officially used to designate the organization, its units and/or members.

**Section B.** The objectives of the organization shall be consistent with Section 3 of the National FFA Organization's federal charter, Public Law 105-225 (formerly Public Law 81-740). The organization shall cooperate with national and state government agencies and officials for agriculture education in accomplishing the following objectives:

1. To be an integral part of the organized instructional programs in agricultural education which prepare students for a wide range of careers in agriculture, agribusiness, and other agriculture-related occupations.
2. To strengthen the confidence of students in themselves and in their work by developing desirable work habits and the effective usage of their time; by learning to assume responsibility; and by developing competencies in communications, human relations, and other social abilities leading to the intelligent choice of a career and successful employment or entrepreneurship in the agricultural industry.
3. To provide agriculture-related programs and activities which will develop pride, responsibility, leadership, character, scholarship, citizenship, patriotism, and thrift, and which will improve the economic, environmental, recreational, and human resources of the community.
4. To encourage and recognize achievement in supervised agricultural experience programs, scholarship, leadership and other individual and group activities by providing awards to deserving members and chapters.

**Section C.** The purposes for which this organization is formed are as follows:

1. To promote agriculture education in the public schools of the State of Hawaii.
2. To develop competent, aggressive, rural and agricultural leadership.
3. To create and nurture a love of country life.
4. To strengthen the confidence of agricultural youths in themselves and their work.
5. To encourage intelligent choice of agricultural occupations.
6. To encourage members in the development of individual agricultural programs and establishments in agriculture.
7. To encourage members to improve the agricultural home and its surroundings.
8. To participate in worthy undertakings for the improvement of agriculture.
9. To develop character, train for useful citizenship, and foster patriotism.
10. To participate in cooperative effort.
11. To encourage and practice thrift.
12. To encourage improvement in scholarship.

13. To provide and encourage the development of organized rural recreational activities.

## ARTICLE II - ORGANIZATION

- Section A. The Hawaii Association FFA is a State organization chartered by the National FFA Organization and consisting of affiliated local chapters in schools having organized instruction in agriculture education under provisions of the national Vocational Education and Applied Technology Act.
- Section B. Active chapters of the FFA shall be chartered only in schools where organized instruction in agricultural education is offered under the provisions of federal vocational education legislation. Such chapters shall operate as an integral part of the instructional program of agricultural education.
- Section C. Collegiate chapters, designed to promote continued involvement in the FFA and agricultural education, may be established in post-secondary educational institutions.
- Section D. Local groups of agriculture students shall meet, organize, adopt, the State Constitution as their own, elect officers, set up a program of work, and then apply to the State Advisor for membership in the State organization. After the application has been approved by the State Advisor and a chapter number assigned, the local group may be known as the \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter of the Hawaii Association FFA and members of the local chapter may be known as FFA members.

## ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

- Section A. Membership in this organization shall be of four kinds: (1) Active; (2) Alumni; (3) Collegiate, and (4) Honorary.
- Section B. Active Membership - Any student not over 21 years of age in secondary education, 7th to 12th grade, who is regularly enrolled in an all day or day unit class in agriculture education in that school year is entitled to become an active member of any chartered FFA Chapter upon receiving a majority vote of the chapter membership at any local chapter meeting. No student shall be eligible for membership unless the FFA dues are paid by October 31. Add-on membership will be accepted at the discretion of the State Advisor after October 31.

To retain membership while in school, the member must be enrolled in at least one agricultural education course during the school year. In-school members unable to enroll in at least one agricultural education course may retain membership for one year by continuing a supervised agricultural experience program approved and supervised by the agriculture education teacher. Out-of-school members may retain their active membership until November 30, following the fourth National FFA Convention after graduating from high school.

A member who is in good standing at the time of induction into the armed forces of the United States of America shall be in good standing during the period of active

service without further payment of dues or attendance at meetings. Time spent in the armed forces shall not be considered as elapsed time in determining the maximum period of four conventions following graduation from high school or leaving high school. Members making use of this waiver of service time for the purpose of maintaining active membership for application for advanced degrees must resume active participation within six months after having been honorably discharged from service, indicating such a desire by payment of dues and attendance at meetings. Members participating in the six-months Armed Service Program shall be eligible for one full year of extended membership.

No individual may retain active membership beyond his or her twenty-third birthday.

**Section C. Alumni Membership** - Membership shall be open to former active members, collegiate and honorary members, present and former professional agricultural educators, parents of FFA members, and others interested and supportive of the FFA.

**Section D. Collegiate Membership** - Collegiate membership shall be open to students who are enrolled in agricultural courses or who are pursuing career objectives in the industry of agriculture at a post-secondary institution.

**Section E. Honorary Membership** - School superintendents, directors, program specialists, principals, members of boards of education, members of the school advisory councils, instructors, teachers of agriculture, businessmen, farmers, and others who are helping to advance agricultural education and the FFA, and who have rendered outstanding service, may be elected to honorary membership by a majority vote of the members present at any regular meeting or convention.

Honorary members shall not vote nor shall they hold any office except that of advisor in the local chapter and that of Executive Secretary in the State Association, nor shall they be subject to chapter, state, or national dues. Honorary membership shall be limited to the Honorary Chapter FFA Degree in the local chapter, and to the Honorary State FFA Degree in the State Association.

#### **ARTICLE IV - ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP DEGREES AND PRIVILEGES**

**Section A.** There shall be five degrees of active membership based on individual achievement. These degree are: (1) Discovery FFA Degree, (2) Greenhand FFA Degree, (3) Chapter FFA Degree, (4) State FFA Degree, and (5) American FFA Degree. The Discovery FFA Degree is intended for use in local chapters where middle school membership is offered. Receipt of this degree is not necessary in order to obtain the Greenhand FFA Degree or subsequent degrees.

**Section B. Discovery FFA Degree** - To be eligible to receive the Discovery FFA Degree from a chapter, the member must meet the following minimum requirements:

1. Be enrolled in agricultural education class for at least a portion of the school year while in grades 7-8.
2. Have become a dues paying member of the FFA at local, state and national levels.
3. Participate in at least one local FFA chapter activity outside of scheduled class time.
4. Have knowledge of agriculturally related career, ownership and entrepreneurial opportunities.
5. Be familiar with the local FFA chapter program of activities.
6. Submit written applications for the degree.

**Section C. Greenhand FFA Degree - To be eligible to receive the Greenhand FFA Degree from the chapter, the member must meet the following minimum qualifications:**

1. Be enrolled in agricultural education and have satisfactory plans for a supervised agricultural experience program.
2. Learn and explain the FFA Creed, Motto, Salute and FFA Mission Statement.
3. Describe and explain the meaning of the FFA emblem and colors.
4. Demonstrate knowledge of the FFA Code of Ethics and proper use of the FFA jacket.
5. Demonstrate knowledge of the history of the organization, the chapter constitution and bylaws, and the chapter Program of Activities.
6. Personally own or have access to the Official FFA Manual and the FFA Student Handbook.
7. Submit a written application for the Greenhand FFA Degree.

**Section D. Chapter FFA Degree - To be eligible to receive the chapter FFA Degree from the chapter, the member must meet the following minimum qualifications:**

1. Must have received the Greenhand FFA Degree.
2. Must have satisfactorily completed the equivalent of at least 180 hours of systematic school instruction in agricultural education at or above the ninth grade level, have in operation an approved supervised agricultural experience program, and be enrolled in an agricultural education course.
3. Have participated in the planning and conduction of at least three official functions in the chapter program of Activities.
4. Have earned and productively invested at least \$150 by the member's own efforts or worked at least forty-five hours in excess of scheduled class time, or a combination there of, and have developed plans for continued growth and improvements in a supervised agricultural experience program.
5. Have effectively led a group discussion for 15 minutes.
6. Have demonstrated five procedures of parliamentary law.
7. Show progress toward individual achievement in the FFA award programs.
8. Have satisfactory scholastic record.
9. Submit a written application for the Chapter FFA Degree.

**Section E. State FFA Degree - To be eligible to receive the State FFA Degree from the state association, the member must meet the following minimum qualifications:**

1. Have received the Chapter FFA Degree.
2. Have been an active FFA member for at least two years (24 months) at the time of receiving the State FFA Degree.
3. While in school, have completed the equivalent of at least two years (360 hours) of systematic school instruction in agricultural education at or above the ninth grade level, which includes a supervised agricultural experience program.
4. Have earned a productively invested at least \$1000, or worked at east 300 hours in excess of scheduled class time, or a combination thereof, in supervised agricultural experience program.
5. Demonstrated leadership ability by:
  - a. Performing ten procedures of parliamentary law.
  - b. Giving a six-minute speech on a topic relating to agriculture or of the FFA.
  - c. Serving as an officer, committee chairperson, or participating member of a chapter committee.
6. Have a satisfactory scholastic record as certified by the local agricultural education instructor and the principal or superintendent.
7. Have participated in the planning and completion of the chapter Program of Activities.
8. Have participated in at least five different FFA activities about the chapter level.

The percentage of the total state membership which may receive the State FFA Degree and other requirements my be established by the State FFA association.

Written records of achievement of all requirements, verified by the chapter FFA advisor, shall be submitted to the state association at east one month prior to the state FFA convention at which the State FFA Degree is to be received. The state advisor shall provide for review of the records and submit a recommendation to the state association governing body, which shall nominate at the state FFA convention the candidates who have been found worthy to receive the honor. The State FFA Degree will be conferred upon the candidates subject to approval by the delegates at the state convention.

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**Section F.** American FFA Degree - The American FFA Degree is conferred by the National FFA Organization. For qualification see the constitution of the National FFA Organization. The Hawaii Association FFA may submit annually as many applications as meet the minimum qualifications of the National FFA Organization.

## **ARTICLE V - OFFICERS**

**Section A.** The officers of the Hawaii Association FFA shall consist of President, Secretary, and County Vice Presidents, and the Advisor. All State Officer candidates shall have attained the State FFA degree. The officers shall constitute the Executive Board of the Hawaii Association. It shall be the duty of such Board to advise and make recommendations to the Board of Advisors with respect to the conduct of the activities and business of the organization.

**Section B.** The President and Secretary shall be elected annually by a majority vote of the delegates present and voting at the Annual Convention of the Association. The advisor shall be the State Career and Technical Educational Specialist for Agricultural Education. The County Vice Presidents shall be elected by the delegates from their respective counties. (Refer to HAFFA Bylaws Article I, Section D)

**Section C.** Officers of local chapters shall be elected annually at regular meetings of the chapters by June 1 of each year.

**Section D.** The members of the Executive Board shall have full control over the organization subject only to such regulations and by-laws as may be adopted by the Hawaii Association FFA.

**Section E.** The Executive Board shall be elected to serve from one state convention through the next state convention. The Executive Board shall not be re-elected. If, in case of extreme emergency a state convention is not held in any given year, the State Advisor shall make a provision for the appointment of a Executive Board for the next succeeding year. The State Advisor shall have the power to appoint temporary state officers to fill the county office, which becomes vacant between state conventions. The State Advisor and all County Advisors shall have the power to appoint the Vice President of the resident island of the President to fill the office of the president, which becomes vacant between state conventions.

**Section F.** The Executive Board may be elected to a second term in a higher office. The County Vice Presidents may be eligible for election to the office of Secretary and President. The Secretary may be eligible for election to the office of President.

**Section G** The Board of Advisors will annually select an Executive Secretary at the State convention to develop and conduct the leadership training of state officers and to coordinate the State Convention. The Executive Secretary shall be compensated by a fair amount determined by the Board of Advisors. The Executive Secretary shall fulfill the duties of the state advisor in his or her absence.



## **ARTICLE VI - MEETINGS**

- Section A.** Meetings shall be held annually at a time and place to be determined by the Executive Board.
- Section B.** The president shall call the first meeting of the Executive Board immediately after the installation of officers to conduct business pertaining to the Association. Other meetings may be called at the discretion of the president or the State-Advisor.
- Section C.** Each chapter is entitled to representation by two delegates at the annual convention of the Hawaii Association. The Executive Board and the chairperson of all standing committees are ex-officio delegates to the annual convention.
- Section D.** Local chapters shall meet monthly, or more often at a time and place to be determined by the local executive committee.

## **ARTICLE VII - DUES**

- Section A.** Dues in the Hawaii Association shall be fixed by the Executive Board, subject to approval by a majority vote of the delegates present and voting at the annual convention. Dues shall be paid by October 31.
- Section B.** Dues in the local chapters shall be fixed by a majority vote of the members present and voting at a regular meeting of the chapters.
- Section C.** Dues for collegiate chapter members shall be as prescribed by the National Constitution.

## **ARTICLE VIII - EMBLEM**

- Section A.** The official emblem of the FFA shall include five symbols, namely: the plow, representing labor and tillage of the soil; the owl, representing wisdom; the rising sun, representing progress; a cross-section of an ear of corn, representing common agricultural interests; and an American eagle surmounting the cross-section of the ear of corn, representing the national scope of the organization. The emblem shall also include the letters FFA, and the words "Agricultural Education."
- Section B.** Emblems shall be uniform in the Association and recognized units thereof. All members shall be entitled to display the emblem.
- Section C.** Greenhand FFA Degree recipients shall be entitled to wear the official bronze emblem pin; Chapter FFA Degree recipients shall be entitled to wear the official silver emblem pin; State FFA Degree recipients shall be entitled to wear the official gold emblem charm; and American FFA Degree recipients shall be entitled to wear the official gold emblem key.
- Section D.** Honorary Chapter FFA Degree recipients shall be entitled to wear either the official silver or gold emblem pin; Honorary State FFA Degree recipients shall be entitled

to wear the official gold emblem charm; and Honorary American FFA Degree recipients shall be entitled to wear the official gold emblem key.

**Section E.** Collegiate FFA chapter members and FFA advisors shall be entitled to wear the official gold owl pin.

## **ARTICLE IX - STATE BOARD OF ADVISORS**

- Section A.** The governing body of the state organization shall be a Board of Advisors composed of (a) the Career and Technical Educational Specialist for Agricultural Education, who shall act as chairperson; (b) the local chapter advisor of the State president; (c) the county advisor, Hawaii; (d) the county advisor, Maui; (e) the county advisor, Oahu; (f) the county advisor, Kauai, and (g) the HIAFFA Executive Secretary.
- Section B.** The term of office for members of the Board and the method of selection of such members are prescribed in the by-laws.
- Section C.** The Board shall meet at least once each year at such time and place as may be prescribed in the by-laws. The annual report of the Board shall be presented at such a meeting. Special meetings of the Board may be called at any time by the chairperson.
- Section D.** The Board may designate the chairperson and two members of the Board of Advisors as a Governing Committee which, when the Board is not in session shall exercise power of the Board subject to its direction and have the power to authorize the seal of the Hawaii Association, to be affixed to all papers which may require same.
- Section E.** The members of the Board of Advisors shall be given the official FFA advisor's jacket and the advisor's pin at the discretion of the State Advisor.

## **ARTICLE X - GOVERNING COMMITTEE**

- Section A.** The Board of Advisors has the power to authorize the seal of the Hawaii Association FFA to be affixed to all papers, which may require it.

## **ARTICLE XI - BOARD OF ADVISOR'S MEETING**

- Section A.** The annual and other meetings of the Board of Advisors shall be held at such place or places and at such a time as may be prescribed by the Board.
- Section B.** Special meetings of the Board may be called at any time by the chairperson.
- Section C.** Notice of meetings shall be given by notifying each member of the Board not less than 30 days prior to any regular meeting.

## **ARTICLE XII - AMENDMENTS AND BY-LAWS**

- Section A.** Amendments to the Constitution of the Hawaii Association FFA shall be submitted in writing by any chapter or by the Executive Board to the Advisor sixty (60) days prior to the Annual Convention. The Advisor shall notify each active chapter of the proposed amendments. The amendments shall be voted on at the annual

convention, or shall be voted by mail by chapters at any time prior to the annual convention, a two-thirds majority of the chapter being required for adoption.

**Section B.** By-laws for the Hawaii Association may be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the delegates present at the regular annual convention or may be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the chapters by mail at any time prior to the annual convention.

**Section C.** Amendments and by-laws adopted by local chapters shall not be in conflict with the constitution of the Hawaii Association.

# HAWAII ASSOCIATION FFA BY-LAWS

## ARTICLE I - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- Section A.** The election of officers shall occur at the annual convention. All officers shall be elected by ballot. In case there should, at any time, be but one candidate for an office, the provision requiring selection by ballot may be suspended by a two-thirds vote. A majority of the delegates present and voting shall constitute an election. The officers elected shall assume their duties at the close of the annual convention. When there are three or more candidates for an office, there shall be a primary election. The two candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be selected for a run- off election if no candidate receives a majority vote.
- Section B.** The president and Secretary may be elected from any County. The delegates from each County shall elect the Vice President from their County.
- Section C.** The four Vice Presidents shall represent the four Counties. The island of Hawaii shall constitute the first County, the islands of Maui, Molokai, and Lanai shall constitute the second County, the island of Oahu shall constitute the third County, the island of Kauai shall constitute the fourth County.
- Section D.** The president, Secretary, State Advisor and four elected Vice Presidents shall elect from among themselves the offices of Vice President, Treasurer, Reporter, and Sentinel.
- Section E.** The chapter advisors of the four Vice Presidents shall be the County Advisors. However, in the case where the County Vice President elected is not from that county, the County Advisor will be appointed by the State Advisor at the State Convention.
- Section F.** The Board of Advisors shall comprise of: (a) the Career and Technical Education Specialist for Agriculture, Department of Education (the State FFA Advisor), who shall act as chairperson; (b) the local chapter advisor of the state president; (c) the local chapter advisor of the secretary; (d) the county advisor, Hawaii; (e) the county advisor, Maui; (f) the county advisor, Oahu; (g) the county advisor, Kauai; and the State Executive Secretary. The term of office of members of the Board shall be from one annual convention through the next succeeding annual convention. Whenever a vacancy occurs among such members of the Board of Advisors, other than from expiration of term of office, the remaining Advisors shall appoint a member from the county in which the vacancy occurs to serve until a successor has been elected and qualified.

## ARTICLE II - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

- Section A.** The President shall preside over all meetings of the Hawaii Association FFA and over all meetings of the Executive Board. He/she shall call one meeting annually of the Hawaii Association FFA on a date and a place to be fixed by the Executive

**Board of the Hawaii Association. He/she shall appoint all committees, and may serve as an ex-officio member of these committees**

**Section B. The Vice President shall assume all of the duties of the President in the event that the office of President becomes vacant by resignation or otherwise. He/she shall preside over all meetings in the absence of the President and shall assume such other duties of the President as may be assigned him/her by the Executive Board.**

- Section C.** The Vice President of each County shall be the presiding officer of the County he/she represents. He/she shall call meetings on such dates and places convenient to local chapters. He/she shall promote, assist, coordinate, and cooperate with his/her County Advisor in conducting the District and Leadership Training Conferences of any other FFA activities.
- Section D.** The Secretary shall perform the duties common to such an office. He/she shall keep an accurate record of each meeting of the Executive Board, one copy of which shall be given to the Executive FFA Secretary for the permanent files, and one kept for his/her own files. He/she shall perform such other duties as may be assigned by the President.
- Section E.** The State Advisor is an ex-officio member of all committees. It shall be his/ her duty to advise the Executive Board on matters of policy, meetings, programs, and finances. He/she shall receive applications for new charters and shall determine whether the new chapters meet the qualifications necessary for affiliation with the Hawaii Association FFA. He/she shall issue charters to new chapters when such chapters have fulfilled all requirements for affiliation with the Hawaii Association FFA. He/she shall receive from local chapters qualifications of candidates for the State FFA degree, and make recommendations of qualified candidates to the Executive Board and delegates at the annual convention. The County Advisors to the Vice Presidents shall be ex-officio advisors to the Career and Technical Educational Specialist for Agricultural Education, who is the State Advisor of the Hawaii Association FFA. It shall be their duty to assist the State Advisor on matters pertaining to policy, conventions, meetings, programs and finances of the organization. They shall promote, assist, and cooperate with their Vice Presidents in conducting the District Conference, Leadership Training Conference, or any other FFA activities.
- Section F.** The State FFA Advisor shall act as the agent of the Executive Board and shall keep permanent records of the Association. He/she shall obtain and keep on file a list of members of all local chapters. He/she shall be the custodian of the funds of the Association, custodian of FFA property, collect dues from local chapters, keep an accurate records of all receipts, bank deposits, and disbursements. He/she shall pay the treasury of the Association such funds as are ordered paid by the Executive Board. He/she shall furnish the Auditing Committee with a statement showing receipts, expenditures and funds on hand. He/she shall furnish an estimate of the funds needed for the annual budget. He/she shall notify each chapter of the amount of the State dues and of the time when dues are payable.
- Section G.** It shall be the duty of the HAFFA Executive Board to advise and make recommendations to the Board of Advisors with respect the conduct of the activities and business of the Hawaii Association FFA.
- Section H.** The duties of the State Executive Secretary shall be to:
1. Issue charters to local chapters when directed to do so by the Board of Advisors.
  2. Keep official records of members and the progress of the organization.

3. Review all reports from local chapters and inform the Executive of any proceedings which conflict with the provisions of the State FFA Constitution.
4. Keep a record of all officers of the state organization and their terms of office, and of all official state convention delegates.
5. Assist the State Advisor and the Executive Board to plan and conduct the annual state convention.
6. Perform such other duties as directed by the Board of Advisors.



## **ARTICLE III - DUES**

Annual National and State dues shall be forwarded to the State Advisor by local chapters. Annual dues shall cover the fiscal year as adopted by the National Association, FFA

## **ARTICLE IV - METHOD OF ISSUING CHARTERS TO LOCAL CHAPTERS**

The Secretary of the proposed FFA chapter shall forward the application for a charter to the State Advisor, Hawaii Association FFA. The following information must accompany the application for a charter.

1. A copy of the proposed constitution and by-laws.
2. The names of all members of the group.
3. The names of all officers.
4. A copy of the chapter's program of activities.

When this information has been received, the State Advisor shall determine whether the new chapter meets the qualifications necessary for affiliation with the Hawaii Association FFA. He/she shall issue a charter if the chapter meets all requirements for affiliation.

## **ARTICLE II - DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

**Section A.** The State Advisor shall formulate an application form to be used in selecting State FFA Degree recipients and send it to chapter advisors three months before the annual convention.

**Section B.** Each chapter shall be entitled to nominate any number of active members. Written records of achievement verified by the local advisor shall be submitted to the State Advisor at least one month prior to the State Convention.

**Section C.** The State Advisor and Executive Secretary will review the candidates' records of achievement and submit his/her recommendations to the Executive Board and delegates at the Annual Convention. The Board will nominate at the regular State Convention the qualified candidates. The delegates shall proceed to approve the conferring of the State FFA Degree to candidates

**Section D.** Election of State FFA Degree recipients shall be by a majority vote of the delegates present at the annual convention. Not more than 3 percent of the active members may be elected to the State FFA Degree in any one year.

## **ARTICLE VI - COMMITTEES**

**Section A.** The President of the Hawaii Association FFA shall appoint three committees annually -- Nominating Committee, Auditing Committee, and Committee on Program of Activities. Other committees may be appointed as necessary.

- Section B.** A Nominating Committee shall be appointed and it shall be the duty of this Committee, after carefully considering the qualifications of available members, to place in nomination one or more candidates for each office except that of advisor. Candidates, other than those whose names are submitted by the Nominating Committee, may be nominated from the floor. The consent of each candidate must be secured before his/her name is placed in nomination.
- Section C.** An Auditing Committee shall be appointed for the purpose of auditing the books of the Treasurer and reporting to the Association.
- Section D.** A Committee on Program of Activities shall be appointed and it shall be the duty of this committee to formulate the annual objectives of the organization and to suggest ways of accomplishing them.

### **ARTICLE VII - QUORUM**

Fifty percent of the delegates to the annual state convention shall constitute a quorum.

### **ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENTS**

These by-laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the delegates present at the annual convention, provided that the amendments shall have previously been submitted in writing by chapters to the Advisor by mail sixty (60) days before the annual convention or may be adopted by two-thirds vote of the chapters by mail at any time prior to the annual convention.

## **AMENDMENTS**

### **AMENDMENT I.**

Participants of all FFA contests must be active members of a Hawaii Association FFA chapter. However, high school graduates and State FFA officers are limited to participation only in contests in which there may be National FFA participation such as Prepared Public Speaking and Extemporaneous Speaking contests. Participants must compete in their respective district contest and upon satisfactory placement may then compete in the respective State Contest. All other contest rules apply.