

MISSOURI JUNIOR ANGUS ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Article I. **NAME**

Section 1 This Association shall be known as the Missouri Junior Angus Association

Article II. **PURPOSE**

Section 1 The purpose of the Association shall be to encourage and extend the influence of Angus cattle; to promote the interests of its membership by creating education and competitive opportunities; to promote closer relations between the membership and to stimulate greater activity among them.

Section 2 To help sponsor and conduct field days, tours and meeting on their own and in association with the Missouri Angus Association to help promote Angus in Missouri.

Section 3 To encourage and assist junior Angus activities in Missouri and to provide leadership training.

Article III. **MEMBERSHIP**

Section 1 Any resident of the state of Missouri who is under 21 years of age as of January 1 of the current year and interested in breeding Angus cattle may become a member of this Association by sending his or her name and address together with the annual membership fee to the secretary of membership director.

Article IV. **OFFICERS**

Section 1 The officers of this Association shall be president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, and nine directors elected from the nine established electoral areas of the Missouri Angus Association. From the nine directors, the board will elect within itself a reporter, membership director, adult board representative and auxiliary representative.

Section 2 The executive committee shall be composed of the officers, adult advisors and regional directors of this Association to act upon all emergency matters or upon any other questions referred to them for decision.

Article V. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND ADVISORS**

- Section 1 The officers of this Association shall be elected by ballot or show of hands at the meeting of the Missouri Junior Angus Association held in association with the Missouri Angus Futurity Show and Sale. Officers shall be elected for a term of one (1) year, or until their successors are elected and qualified and assume the duties of their office on August 1 of the year of their election.
- Section 2 The advisors will be elected for a term of three (3) years, each electing one (1) advisor/ advisor couple per year. The advisors in their third year will serve as lead advisors. The advisors will be nominated and voted on by the junior members at the same meeting where the officers and directors are elected.
- Section 3 The Missouri Angus Association field man/secretary also shall serve in an advisor capacity to facilitate a good working relationship between the adult and junior associations.

Article VI. **DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

- Section 1 The president shall call and conduct all meetings, shall fill by appointment all temporary vacancies in office and all committees not otherwise provided for, and perform any other duties pertaining to the office of president.
- Section 2 The vice president shall preside in the absence of the president and perform all duties pertaining to that office. The vice president shall coordinate all elections and oversee the work of appointed and special committees, chair the program committees and serve on the nominating committee.
- Section 3 The secretary shall keep a roll of all members with their addresses and work with the membership directory to keep the roll current. He/she shall record in a book kept for that purpose all proceedings of the Association, accept receipts and turn them over to the treasurer, conduct all correspondence of the association and such duties as pertain to the office of secretary, chair the publicity committee and serve on the membership committee.
- Section 4 The treasurer shall keep an accurate record of all receipts and expenses, collect and dispense funds as directed by the membership, give a report of such a meeting and such duties as pertain to the office of treasurer.

Section 5 The membership director will work with the secretary in keeping the membership roll current and work with the secretary to notify members of meetings and information important to the membership of this Association, as well as chair the membership committee.

Section 6 The reporter shall collect any information that will be helpful to the Association and work with all officers and committees if needed, send a report of all Missouri junior activities to the Missouri Angus Association secretary for publication in the Missouri Angus publication, serve on the publicity committee and be scrapbook chairman.

Section 7 The adult board and auxiliary representatives will attend the meeting of these organizations and will report the activities of the Association and work in conjunction with these organizations to further the Association.

Section 8 The advisors will guide, direct and offer assistance to the officers and members of the Association while allowing decisions to be made by the membership and officers of the Association. Duties of the advisors shall also include:

- a. Coordinate fundraising activities
- b. Order belt buckles for the Champion and Reserve Champion Senior Showmanship winners selected at the Missouri Angus Futurity Show and Sale
- c. Procure sponsorship for the plaques at the Missouri State Preview Show.
- d. Coordinate stalling, activities and contests teams for the National Junior Angus show.
- e. Provide monthly article to the Missouri Angus Association secretary outlining upcoming events, contest results and other important junior member information in the Missouri Angus publication.

Article VII. **COMMITTEES**

Section 1 Program Committee

1. Shall plan field days, shows, leadership and any other activities to benefit the Association. Shall plan and execute money-making projects of the organization.

Section 2 Publicity Committee

1. Shall publish a quarterly newsletter for the Association's activities that shall be sent to all members.

2. Contact members concerning meetings.

Section 3 Membership Committee

1. Solicit new members and keep an accurate record of their names and addresses.
2. Develop plans for membership recruitment and retention.

Section 4 Nominating Committee

1. Shall be in charge of election of the organization's officers and directors.

Section 5 Executive Committee

1. Shall consist of the officers, directors and advisors.

Section 6 Special Committee

1. Shall be appointed by the president to perform special functions of the organization as needed.

Article VIII. **ORGANIZATION**

Section 1 Shall run from August 1 to July 31 of the following year.

Article IX. **DUES**

Section 1 Dues shall be set by a majority vote of the membership present at the regular meeting of the Association. Dues will be paid annually.

Article X. **MEETINGS**

Section 1 A minimum of three meetings per year shall be held; one of which will be during the state fair, a second shall be in conjunction with the Missouri Angus Association Futurity Show and Sale, the third at the State Preview Show. Other meeting may be held as needed and must be called by the president or by a petition of a minimum of five members of the executive committee.

Section 2 The president and the executive committee may call a special meeting at any time deemed necessary.

Article XI. **Shows and Special Events**

Section 1 Missouri Angus Futurity Show and Sale

1. Selection of the Champion and Reserve Champion Senior Showmanship winners will be made following the show on Saturday. Candidates must be paid members of the Association for the current and previous year, must own registered Angus cattle and meet National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest rules of eligibility.
2. Contest sign up for the National Angus Show shall begin. Advisors will coordinate with juniors to fill teams and encourage participation.
3. Fundraising concession stand shall be coordinated by the advisors and ran by junior members during the show on Saturday and during the sale on Sunday.

Section 2 National Junior Angus Show

1. Junior shall stall according to State.
2. Stalling assignments shall be determined by the advisors.
3. Advisors shall determine contest team assignments when restrictions to team size or number of teams deem necessary. Additional smaller contests or interviews may be conducted by the adult advisors to aid in selection of team members.

Article XII. **OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION**

Section 1 The Missouri Angus Associations publication will be the official publication for notification of meetings and events for this Association.

Article XIII. **AMENDMENTS**

Section 1 The foregoing by-laws or any part of them, or any amendment thereto, may be modified or annulled at any of the meetings by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

Section 2 Upon request of any member of the executive committee, the president must appoint a constitution committee to consider the proposal.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Record number and names of those present
2. Minutes of the last meeting
3. Treasurer's report
4. Reports of officers and committees
5. Unfinished business
6. New business
7. Election of officers (when applicable)
8. Adjournment