ARTICLE I – Name

The name of this organization shall be:

________________________________________________________________________________________ 4-H Club

ARTICLE II – Object

The object of this 4-H club shall be:

- Operate in compliance with the stated authorized use of the official 4-H name and emblem, a federal mark protected by 18 U.S.C. 707.

- To promote the educational, cultural, social and life skills development of youth members through activities and projects, and ;

- To promote goodwill in our community and youth citizenship experiences by participating in service projects.

- The club’s purpose is limited to the exempt purposes set forth in Internal Revenue Code section 501 (C)(3) and is hereby prohibited to engage, other than as an insubstantial part of its activities, in activities that do not further tax exempt purposes.

- The club dedicates all assets to 4-H tax exempt purposes upon dissolution.

- The club is prohibited to participate or intervene in a political campaign and from attempting to influence legislation.

ARTICLE III – Members

1. *Any* youth who will turn at least 5 years of age and be in Kindergarten by January 1 of the current 4-H year may become a Cloverbud member. Cloverbuds is a special membership category governed by separate policies. Please refer to the NM 4-H Policies and Procedures Handbook.

2. *Any* youth who has passed their 9th birthday or are 8 years old and in the 3rd grade, but not to exceed 19 years of age by January 1 of the current 4-H year may be a member.
3. Membership will be limited to _______ youth except as provided in paragraph a) below:
   a) To promote family unity, an existing member’s brothers or sisters may become members
      upon reaching the minimum age for membership, even in excess of the maximum
      membership.

4. Clubs may collect annual dues.
   a) Our club membership requires annual dues of $______ (insert “0” if none are required).
      The Executive Board may waive dues where they find there is a genuine inability to pay
      because of financial limitations.
   b) Members not paying their dues within the specified time will be dropped from the club
      membership.
   c) Dues must be paid between the __________ monthly meeting and the ______ monthly
      meeting. Members accepted outside of these dates must pay their dues on or before the
      second monthly meeting after becoming a member.

5. To continue membership in good standing, members:
   a) Must attend _______ percent of the regular meetings.
   b) May not be absent from more than _______ consecutive meetings.
   c) Must complete at least _______ project(s) to conclusion. (Club determines if the
      submission of a record book is required.)
   d) Must make a demonstration, illustrated talk, speech or other subject matter presentation
      before the club each year.

6. Individuals whose membership has been revoked may rejoin the organization. However,
   members who lost membership more than _______ time(s) by failure to meet their
   obligations as a member may be permanently denied renewed membership in the club.

7. Members have the right to vote on all voting issues of the club.

8. Adult 4-H leaders shall be considered Associate members. Associate members shall have the
    right to address the membership, but they may not vote or hold office.

9. This club does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, color, religion, gender, national
    origin, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation, or ancestry regarding its leaders and
    members.

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ARTICLE IV – Officers

1. The primary offices of this club shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, ____________, ________________, and ________________.
   The offices of ________________, ________________, and ________________ shall be optional, to be filled when there are sufficient qualified candidates.

2. Officers shall be responsible for those duties described in these bylaws and the parliamentary authority.

3. Term of office shall be from ________________ to ________________ or until succeeded in office.

4. Vacancies created by resignation, impeachment or events may be filled by a majority vote at any regular meeting.

5. No member may serve more than __________ consecutive terms in the same office.

6. Officers will be elected annually at the ________________ monthly meeting.

7. The current President may appoint a nominating committee who will be responsible for identifying candidates. Nominations will also be taken from the floor on election day.

ARTICLE V – Meetings

1. Regular monthly meetings will be held on the ________________ ________________.
   (1st through 4th) (day of the week)

2. A temporary change in the regular meeting date may occur by majority vote at a previous meeting.

3. Additional meetings may be called by a majority vote of the Executive Board, provided members receive ______ day’s prior notice.

4. The minimum number of members needed to constitute a quorum to conduct business at a meeting will be ______ percent of the total membership.

October 21, 2011
ARTICLE VI – Executive Board

1. The Executive Board shall consist of the officers of the club and __________________.

2. The Board shall supervise the affairs of the club between regular meetings and have authority to conduct business on behalf of the club.

   a) The Board is subject to the orders of the club, and shall report any actions to the membership at the next meeting.

   b) No Board actions shall conflict with action taken by the club.

__________________________________________ (Date)
Agents Signature

__________________________________________ (Date)
Organizational Leader