

**The Penn State Stockmen's Club  
By-Laws**

Article I – NAME

Section 1 – The name of this organization shall be The Penn State Stockmen's Club and for designation purposes is referred to in these By-Laws as The Stockmen's Club.

Article II – OBJECTIVES

Section 1 – To support the maintenance, improvement, and development of the several programs of the College of Agriculture of the Pennsylvania State University and in particular those programs dealing with livestock production and livestock products (meats).

Section 2 – To assist in and support the development of strong realistic programs in instruction research and extension in the fields of meat animals, horses, meats, and meat products.

Section 3 – To maintain and develop contact and cooperation between alumni with respect to mutual problems, goals and plans.

Section 4 – To encourage and assist in the coordinated support of industry and individuals actively interested in fulfilling these objectives.

Section 5 – To provide an organization that can plan informal activities to keep the members together socially as well as on a business-like basis.

### Article III – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 – The membership of The Stockmen’s Club shall be composed of: regular members and associate members.

a) Regular Membership

1) Graduates of the Department of Dairy and Animal Science (formerly known as the Department of Animal Science, Department of Animal Husbandry, and the Department of Animal Industry and Nutrition). Graduates include all persons who have received a B.S., M.S., or Ph.D., degree from the department.

2) Present and former members of the academic faculty of the Department of Dairy and Animal Science (formerly known as the Department of Animal Science, Department of Animal Husbandry, and the Department of Animal Industry and Nutrition).

3) Graduates who were members of the Penn State Block and Bridle Club.

b) Associate Membership

1) Any other person interested in promoting the livestock industry, who is sponsored by a regular member in good standing and approved by the Board of Directors.

Section 2 – The Board of Directors shall have the authority to issue Honorary Memberships. They will be non-dues paying members for life and have all the rights and privileges of regular members.

### Article IV – OFFICERS, ELECTION OF OFFICERS, AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1 – The officers of The Stockmen’s Club shall be a President, a Vice-President, and a Secretary-Treasurer. **The officers of The Stockmen’s Club shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer.**

Section 2 – Election of Officers

- a) The Vice-President will automatically become the new President.
- b) The new President and The Board of Directors will select the Secretary-Treasurer in order that some efficiency of operation can be maintained. **The new President and The Board of Directors will select the Secretary and the Treasurer in order that some efficiency of operation can be maintained.**
- c) The membership will elect the new Vice-president and three Directors each year.
- d) The President will appoint a nominating committee prior to the annual meeting.
- e) The nominating committee will select at least two nominees for each vacancy.
- f) It is suggested that no officer succeed himself.

### Section 3 – Duties of Officers

- a) The President shall preside at all meetings of The Stockmen’s Club and at all meetings of The Board of Directors.
- b) The President may call special meetings in addition to the semi-annual meetings provided by these By-Laws.
- c) The President shall call for meetings of The Board of Directors when warranted by the business and interests of The Stockmen’s Club.
- d) The President shall appoint such committees as are necessary to conduct the business and fulfill the objectives of the Stockmen’s Club.
- e) In the absence of the President, the Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President. Should the office of President become vacant, the Vice-President shall hold the office of President until the next annual election.
- f) The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings of The Stockmen’s Club and shall at the direction of the President issue notices of all regular and special meetings. He shall also have charge of the funds of The Stockmen’s Club together with

all such books and papers as appertain to this office. **The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings of The Stockmen's Club and shall at the direction of the President issue notices of all regular and special meetings. The Treasurer shall have charge of the funds of The Stockmen's Club together with all such books and papers as appertain to this office.** He shall keep an exact account of all monies received and all disbursements of the same. He shall deposit all funds with a bank or trust company which is approved by The Board of Directors of The Stockmen's Club. He shall submit an account of the financial condition of The Stockmen's Club at the annual meeting.

#### Article V – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1 – The Board of Directors shall consist of nine members together with the elected officers of The Stockmen's Club. No more than three associate members (described under Article III, Section 1, b) may be directors at any one time.

Section 2 – Directors shall be elected by The Stockmen's Club at the annual meeting, each for a term of three years except as provided herein in Article V, Section 1. The head of the Department of Dairy and Animal Science shall be an ex-officio director.

Section 3 – The Board of Directors shall conduct all business of The Stockmen's Club during the periods intervening between the semi-annual meetings.

Section 4 – All decisions of The Board of Directors shall be by a majority vote of the directors present.

Section 5 – Meetings of The Board of Directors shall be at the call of the President whenever warranted by the business of interests of The Stockmen's Club.

#### Article VI - MEETINGS

Section 1 – Regular meetings of The Stockmen’s Club shall be held semi-annually.

- a) At the time of the Livestock Exposition or Farm Show in Harrisburg (Directors will determine).
- b) At the time of the Little International at Penn State.

Section 2 – The meeting held at Harrisburg shall be designated as the annual meeting at which time officers and directors of The Stockmen’s Club shall be elected and annual reports given by the officers.

Article VII – STANDING COMMITTEES

Section 1 – The Standing Committees of The Stockmen’s Club shall be:

- a) Membership
- b) Legislative

Article VIII – BY-LAW AMMENDMENTS

Section 1 – These By-Laws may be amended only by a two-thirds vote of those members voting in person or in writing, provided the membership was informed, by written notice of the proposed amendments.

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