(Amended 10/2009)

SAN JUAN COUNTY 4-H RODEO ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

Article I - Name

The name of this organization shall be the “San Juan County 4-H Rodeo Association”.

This association will be a subsidiary of the San Juan County 4-H Council.

Article II - Object

The object of this organization shall be:

1. To promote 4-H Rodeos.
2. To provide training for 4-H members in rodeo events.
3. To promote sportsmanship, leadership, and citizenship.

Article III - Membership

All members and adults, regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, or

Handicap, of the San Juan County 4-H program enrolled in the 4-H project shall be a

Member of the Association. Each member will have a vote. The San Juan County

Extension Agent will be an Ex-officio member of the Board and shall not have a vote

except to break a tie vote. (Sept. 2013: Adults cannot vote on issues during youth

meeting.)

(Amendment, approved 10/98)

All active members must compete in fifty percent (50%) of the scheduled San Juan

County 4-H Rodeos in order to be eligible for year-end prizes.

Article IV - Board of Directors

Board of Directors will consist of ten (10) elected a adults from which the following

officers will be appointed:

(12/2021: Adult members submitted an application to express an interest to serve on adult board. Seven adults were selected to serve as adult board members for 2022 rodeo year. President, Vice-President, and Secretary were selected from the seven board members.)

PRESIDENT SECRETARY

VICE-PRESIDENT TREASURER

Adult President and Secretary must serve a minimum of one (1) year as an active board

Member prior to the nominations. Youth officers will consist of President, Vice-President,

Secretary, and one representative for each 4-H age group, (Novice, Junior,

Senior) and shall be voted on by membership. President, Vice-President, and

Secretary must be of senior age 4-H group.

Youth officers are required to participate in at least 75% of meetings or be removed from

Office. (Amendment approved 11/06)

(12/2021: Youth were asked to submit an application to express interest to serve on youth board. Five girls submitted an application and were selected to be the youth board. President and Vice-President were voted upon among the girls. Three of the five girls volunteered to be

Reporters to keep members informed of any news.)

Year-end awards except all-around and reserve all-around will be determined annually

dependent upon funds available at completion of the rodeo series. All Around and reserve awards will be announced prior to first rodeo.

(Nov. 2013: Points from all rodeos would count toward year end awards.)

A minimum of two thousand dollars ($2000.00) will remain annually in the San Juan

County 4-H Rodeo account. This $2000 CD will be joint ownership of San Juan County

4-H Rodeo Association and San Juan County 4-H Council.

In the event that the 40H Rodeo Association disbands, the minimum two thousand dollars

($2000.00) would be used by 4-H Council only for 4-H rodeo in San Juan County or until

the association is reactivated.

Amendments to the Bylaws (Approved 11/2006)

1. Late entries prior to the start date of the rodeo with a $10.00 late fee and on a cash only basis

(Amendment was discussed by general membership at Jan. 2022 meeting. No action

Was taken so amendment is not applicable for this season. Late entries are not accepted.)

1. Hat rule in effect: Hat must be worn on contestants head when they break the

plane of the gate while entering the arena.

1. Contestants will be required to have the fair rodeo signed by their 4-H leader

stating that they are a member in good standing

1. Complaints to be submitted in writing by the 4-H member to an adult officer to be

reviewed by the adult board. Adult board will review and determine whether

complaint has enough merit to be put on the agenda at the next meeting.

1. Orderly meetings: Agenda set in place 24 hours prior to meeting
2. Arena conditions will be made as safe as possible before rodeo starts as per arena

director

Amendments to the Bylaws (Approved 10/09)

1. A 5 second penalty will be assessed for an intentional hat knock off after coming

through the gate at the arena judges discretion

1. Participants will have 3 minutes from the first time that their name is called to

enter the arena and cross the timeline on timed speed events. If the contestant has

not crossed the timeline after 3 minutes, the contestant will be disqualified for that

event.

(Nov. 2013: Participants will be given 3 calls to enter the arena with 30 seconds

between calls before being disqualified. This amendment replaces 3 minute rule from the first time contestant’s name is called before being disqualified rule.)

SAN JUAN COUNTY 4-H RODEO

Ground Rule Changes Voted on in Oct. 2014

1. All cattle used at rodeos must be run through a minimum of 2 times prior to start of rodeo (Negotiate with stock contractor) One board member must be present during this time.
2. Points from all rodeos would count toward year end awards. Practice rodeos will not count for points.)
3. Contestant must attend 50% of rodeos to be eligible for awards.
4. Hat rule must be declared before first person runs in the rodeo. It could be
5. Modified at the discretion of the adult board. Hats will be mandatory at both

Fair rodeos.

1. Barrier will be used for roping events.
2. Majority of youth membership voted that one person entered in an event would

make that event count for prizes.

1. Saddles would be given for all around winners. Buckles and prizes would be discussed for other awards.
2. A contestant will declare 4 events to be considered for all around at first rodeo

(speed or roping).

1. Discussion that a contestant could enter as many events as he/she wanted.

When a contestant enters any events that are not in his/her declared events, the

contestant could receive points in those events and points would count toward

event prizes. Points from events that are not declared before first rodeo would

not count for all around awards.

1. Team roping and steer stopping will be added to the Novice division events.
2. Any contestant, family member, and/or persons near or around the rodeo must

have a saddle and bridle when riding their horse. No bareback or halter only

riding will be allowed.

1. No tuning or correcting of horses in a harsh manner while inside or outside the

arena by contestants, parents, family members, or coaches of contestants prior

to or during rodeo activities.

1. Alley way is to be kept clear of horses or persons during the rodeo while

contestants are competing.

1. Horses are not to be tied up directly in alley way or within direct approach

to arena entrance.

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