

Constitution and By-Laws
of
Texas Junior Brahman Association
As amended June 14, 2018

ARTICLE I – Name, Purpose, and Code of Ethics

Section 1

The name of this Association shall be “Texas Junior Brahman Association,” an affiliate of the Texas Brahman Association.

Section 2

The purpose of the Association is to promote the breeding of Brahman cattle by all lawful and ethical means, to assist in the arrangement and sponsorship of cattle exhibitors and shows, to publicize and promote the acceptance and utilization of Registered Brahman cattle and advancement of scientific education concerning the breeding of the Brahman cattle and to do such other things as may be in the interest of the Brahman breed of cattle and none of which shall be for profit.

Section 3 – Code of Ethics

The Board of Directors approved the following Code of Ethics, March 12, 1988. Any violation of the Code is grounds for expulsion from the Association (see Constitution, Article X, Section 1).

- I. TJBA members shall construct themselves in a mature, judicious manner at all times to protect the reputation of themselves and their organization.
- II. TJBA members shall be just and fair in their dealings with each other.
- III. TJBA members shall abide by all rules of their organization and shall present both themselves and their show animals in an honest manner at all times, to wit: all cattle’s ages shall be truthfully represented; all show animals shall be fitted for the show without the aid of any chemical substances which alter their physical appearance; no TJBA member shall use any other unethical means to achieve an unfair advantage over his fellow exhibitors.

ARTICLE II – Membership

Section 1

Membership is open to any boy or girl up to the age of 19 and currently enrolled in a Texas school or having just completed their senior year, showing an interest in the Brahman breed.

Section 2

The fiscal year will begin on January 1st, and conclude December 31st of each year.

ARTICLE III – Dues

Section 1

Membership fees in the TJBA shall be \$20.00, which gives membership privileges up to the age of 19.

Section 2

An annual Activity Fee of \$5.00 will be assessed in order for members to remain on active status.

ARTICLE IV – Officers and Directors

Section 1

The officers shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Reporter.

Section 2

Each director shall serve a one-year term. ABBA areas 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 shall be represented by one director each. Area 13 shall be considered part of Area 4. After directors are elected by the members from each of the areas, the remaining candidates will run for seven at-large director positions. In order to be eligible for election as a director, a member must: be at least 14 years of age by June 1 of the election year, submit a completed director application with their show entries, and secure at least two additional class sponsorships.

Section 3

Directors shall be elected by secret ballot.

Section 4

The Directors shall elect officers from the body of the Board of Directors following the adjournment of the annual membership meeting.

Section 5

Any officer or director who absents himself from two successive meetings without proper notification will be subject to suspension.

Section 6

To be eligible to run for TJBA director, a junior must have been a member of TJBA for at least one full year.

ARTICLE V – Quorum

Section 1

At least the majority of the Board of Directors must be present at any meeting of the Board for any business to be conducted.

Section 2

A quorum shall consist of those members in attendance at any annual meeting.

ARTICLE VI – Advisors

Section 1

The Texas Junior Brahman Association shall be under the guidance of and subject to all applicable rules of the Texas Brahman Association.

Section 2

An Adult Coordinator, appointed by the Texas Brahman Association, shall maintain the checking account, assisted by the Treasurer as necessary.

Section 3

Adult Advisors shall be designated by the newly elected Board of Directors to work with the Texas Brahman Association and the Adult Coordinator in facilitating the operation of the Association.

Section 4

Advisors shall attend all meetings and assist with the Junior Association program in every way possible.

ARTICLE VII – Place of Business

Section 1

The principal place of business of this Association shall be the office of the Adult Coordinator or any other place so designated.

ARTICLE VIII – Duties of the Officers

Section 1 – President

It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all regular and special meetings of the Association and all meetings of the Board of Directors. Duties also include appointing committees, maintaining a general oversight of the affairs of the Association, and attending to the general business of the Association.

Section 2 – Vice-President

It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to act at any time during the absence of the President and to encourage membership in the Association.

Section 3 – Secretary

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep accurate records of the proceedings of the Association and Directors meetings with copies sent to the Adult Coordinator and to attend to all correspondence.

Section 4 – Treasurer

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep accurate records of all monies paid and received and to work closely with the Adult Coordinator to insure that a detailed report is prepared for annual and directors meetings.

Section 5 – Reporter

The reporter shall report activities of the Association and of individual members activities to all livestock print media. The reporter is also responsible for keeping the Association's official scrapbook and assisting with the display at the National Show.

ARTICLE IX – Amendments

Section 1

The Constitution may be amended at the annual meeting by two-thirds of the members present.

ARTICLE X – Expulsion

Section 1

If any member of TJBA shall be accused of any misrepresentation, deception, or fraud in relating to the registry of animals in the Herd Registry or of any infraction of charter, constitution, or by-laws of the Association, or any act of conduct, which is in violation of the TJBA Code of Ethics which may endanger the good order, reputation, welfare, or credit of the Association, the Board of Directors shall examine into the matter. An opportunity shall be given to the member to appear before the Board of Directors in his/her defense. If the charge is sustained by sufficient proof, the offending member shall be expelled, provided a majority of the Board of Directors votes in favor thereof. The expulsion shall be permanent.

BY-LAWS

Meetings

The annual membership meeting of this Association shall be held during the annual Texas Junior Brahman Association State Show. Time and place will be at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

Special Meetings

The President shall, with the approval of a majority of the Board of Directors, have the authority to call a special meeting of the members of the organization provided that the membership is given at least ten days written notice.

Vacancies

The Board of Directors shall fill any office that may become vacant and that appointee shall hold office only until the next annual meeting for the election of officers.