

Robinson FFA Alumni Constitution

ARTICLE I – NAME AND PURPOSE

Section A. The name of the organization shall be the Robinson FFA Alumni.

Section B. The purpose of the organization shall be:

- 1. To support and promote the FFA Organization, FFA activities, and agricultural education on local, State, and National levels.
- 2. To provide a tie to the FFA and to assist FFA and agricultural education personnel to involve former members and others interested in supporting worthy activities.
- 3. To promote greater knowledge of agricultural industry and support education in agriculture.
- 4. To cooperate with the Robinson FFA Chapter and the Texas FFA Alumni and National FFA Alumni Associations.
- 5. To promote and maintain an appreciation of the American Free enterprise system.
- 6. To promote the personal development aspect of the FFA.

ARTICLE II – ORGANIZATION

Section A. The Robinson FFA Alumni is a chartered local affiliate of the Texas FFA Alumni Association that is chartered by the National FFA Association.

Section B. The Robinson FFA Alumni accepts in full, the provisions in the Constitution and Bylaws of the Texas and National FFA Alumni Associations.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

Upon payment of dues, Membership shall be open to former active, collegiate, and honorary FFA members; present and former professional agricultural educators; parents of FFA members; and others interested in the FFA.

ARTICLE IV – EMBLEM

The gold FFA emblem, with the word Alumni below it, shall serve as the emblem of the Robinson FFA Alumni.



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ARTICLE V – EXECUTIVE BODY

Section A. The executive body of the Robinson FFA Alumni shall be the Robinson FFA Alumni Council.

Section B. The Robinson FFA Alumni Council shall consist of six (6) persons.

- 1. Six (6) persons elected at-large by the Membership.
- 2. The current FFA Chapter representative.
- 3. The immediate past FFA Chapter officer.
- 4. Past FFA Alumni president.
- 5. The Robinson FFA Advisor(s) shall serve as ex-officio non-voting member(s).
- Section C. All members of the Robinson FFA Alumni Council must be active members of the FFA Alumni, with the exception of the current FFA Chapter representative and immediate past FFA Chapter officer, and shall serve one-year terms.
- Section D. The Robinson FFA Alumni Council shall elect annually a president, vicepresident, secretary, treasurer, public relations officer, and fund raising officer from the Alumni Membership. The treasurer's books shall be audited annually by a qualified person.
- Section E. Duties of the officers shall be consistent with those usually appertaining to these positions.

ARTICLE VI – MEETINGS

- Section A. The Robinson FFA Alumni Council shall meet twice per year. Additional meetings may be called by the president or by a majority of the council members upon petition to the secretary.
- Section B. There shall be an annual meeting of the membership of the Robinson FFA Alumni. Additional membership meetings may be called by the Robinson FFA Alumni Council. (The annual meeting might be held in conjunction with; or, immediately following the Robinson FFA banquet.)



ARTICLE VII – DUES

The annual dues of the Robinson FFA Alumni shall be waived, in exchange for

participation with the Robinson FFA Alumni's local activities, as recommended by the FFA Alumni Council and fixed by majority vote of members present at the annual meeting. State and National dues must be paid on a calendar membership year basis for all active FFA Alumni members. No members shall be considered an active member and in good standing unless full dues are paid.

ARTICLE VIII – AMENDMENTS

- Section A. The constitution of the Robinson FFA Alumni may be amended or changed at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of the active members present providing it is not in conflict with the constitutions of the State or National FFA Alumni Associations.(Or voting shall be by mail ballot.) Ballots shall be submitted to the membership at least 30 days prior to the opening of the annual meeting and the ballots returned with a postmark no later than one week before the opening date of the annual meeting. Affirmation by two-thirds of those voting shall be necessary to adopt an amendment.
- Section B. Proposed amendments to the Constitution of the Robinson FFA Alumni may be submitted by any active member and must be in writing and received by the secretary prior to the annual meeting. Proposed amendments shall be approved by at least three members of the FFA Alumni Council before being submitted to the membership for consideration.
- Section C. Amendments to the bylaws of the Robinson FFA Alumni may be adopted to fit the needs of the chapter at any regular chapter meeting by a two-thirds vote of the active members present providing such bylaws in no way conflict with the constitution and bylaws of the State and National FFA Alumni Associations. Or alternate possibility as follows: Proposed amendments may be submitted by any active member and must be in writing and received 30 days prior to the opening of the annual meeting. Proposed amendments that have been approved for submission by two-thirds majority of the FFA Alumni Council shall be submitted to the membership at least one week prior to the opening of the annual meeting. Voting shall be at the annual meeting with affirmation by two-thirds of those present being necessary for adoption.



Said organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of all be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction in the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

Adopted on March 4, 2014.

Steve Houle, Vice-President

Kristy Turner, Treasurer



Robinson FFA Alumni Bylaws

ARTICLE I – FFA ALUMNI AFFILIATE / ASSOCIATION BYLAWS

These bylaws shall be considered a part of the Constitution of the Robinson FFA Alumni.

ARTICLE II – LOCATION OF PRINCIPLE OFFICE

The principle office of the Robinson FFA Alumni shall be located at:

Robinson High Sch (Name of School)	ool		
500 W. Lyndale (Address)	Robinson (City)	Texas (State)	<u>76706</u> (Zip)
254-662-1439 (Phone Number)	254-662-4000 (Fax Number)		

ARTICLE III – PROCEDURE FOR SELECTION OF ROBINSON FFA ALUMNI OFFICERS

- Section A. The six (6) members of the Robinson FFA Alumni Council that are selected from the membership-at-large shall be elected by vote at the annual meeting. Each Member in good standing shall be entitled to vote.
- Section B. The six (6) representatives from each of the following areas: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Public Relations, and Fundraising shall be elected by vote at the annual meeting. Each member in good standing shall be entitled to vote.
- Section C. The current FFA Chapter representative and the immediate past FFA Chapter Officer shall serve as members of the council by virtue of their positions. The Robinson FFA Advisor and past council president shall serve as ex-officio, nonvoting members.
- Section D. All voting council members, other than those provided for in Section C, shall serve a one-year term.

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Section E. Whenever a vacancy occurs on the Robinson FFA Alumni Council, other than from expiration of their terms of office, the Robinson FFA Alumni Council shall appoint a person to fill the unexpired term of office.

ARTICLE IV – DUTIES OF THE ALUMNI COUNCIL

- Section A. It shall be the duty of the FFA Alumni Council to direct the operation of the affiliate/association in accordance with its constitutional purposes. It shall be responsible for planning the programs and activities in which it is advisable for the affiliate/association to participate.
- Section B. The FFA Alumni Council may appoint such committees necessary to further the work of the Robinson FFA Alumni Council.

ARTICLE V – TIME OF MEETINGS

The annual meeting and other necessary meetings of the Robinson FFA Alumni shall be held at such a place and time as may be prescribed by the Robinson FFA Alumni Council. The annual meeting shall be held prior to the annual State meeting at a time either in correlation with the Robinson FFA Chapter banquet or some other appropriate time.

ARTICLE VI – FISCAL YEAR

- Section A. The fiscal year of the Robinson FFA Alumni shall be from June 1 to May 31 of each year.
- Section B. Books and records of the Robinson FFA Alumni may be inspected by any member or their agent or attorney at any reasonable time.
- Section C. There shall be an annual audit of the Robinson FFA Alumni. The Treasurer, or anyone authorized to handle and account for funds should be bonded in sufficient amount to protect the FFA Alumni.