

The Draft Horse Club
Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine
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ARTICLE I

Name

The name of this organization will be the Draft Horse Club (DHC).

ARTICLE II

Purposes

SECTION 1. To increase student knowledge about the complete care of horses, from the financial to the medical, and beyond by caring for the veterinary school mascot, Seamus.

SECTION 2. To involve students in learning how to drive a draft horse.

SECTION 3. To provide an opportunity for networking with faculty, staff, other classes, alumni, and the community, thereby improving communications skills

ARTICLE III

Membership

SECTION 1. Any Washington State University student may be a member of the Draft Horse Club. This organization will not discriminate on the basis of age, color, gender, handicap status, height, marital status, national origin, political persuasion, race, religion, sexual orientation, veteran status or weight. Only Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine students may be voting members, officers, and drivers.

SECTION 2. A person becomes a member of this organization upon payment of his/her dues.

SECTION 3. For club rules and certification procedures refer to the protocols.

ARTICLE IV

Officers

SECTION 1. The officers of the Draft Horse Club will be the President, President Elect, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

SECTION 2. The officers will be elected at a regular DHC meeting in the spring semester and will officially take office on May 1st.

SECTION 3. An opportunity for nominations of candidates will be provided and

announced prior to the election meeting.

SECTION 4. Officers will be elected by a majority of those club members present and voting who have paid their dues.

SECTION 5. Vacancies occurring among the offices will be filled at the next regular meeting after the vacancy occurs, by the appointment of the President, provided however that upon a vacancy in the position of President, the President Elect will become President.

SECTION 6. The duties of the officers will be as follows:

1. President (one year position) – To preside over all general meetings of the DHC and all meetings of the DHC officers; to administer the DHC program; to represent the DHC in an official capacity. Lastly, to make sure that all projects are completed on-time and safely.

2. President Elect (two year position with first year as president elect and second year as president)– To assist the president in maintaining a well organized association by providing continuity between years in office, and to take over as president in the second year of their term. To preside in the absence of the President. To assist in the planning and implementation of events each academic year.

3. Vice President –To maintain the list of certified drivers and oversee the certification process; to perform such other tasks as the President may assign, and to help in the planning and implementation of events each academic year.

4. Secretary – To prepare the minutes of all general and officer DHC meetings; to send official DHC correspondence, including thank you's and advertisements for all general meetings. The secretary will also maintain a membership list, and the monthly volunteer reporting for the College of Veterinary Medicine.

5. Treasurer – To receive and distribute DHC funds upon authorization by the president; to help coordinate fund raising activities and DHC events; to maintain accurate records of bank activities, provide financial updates to the club and other officers.

ARTICLE V

Appointed Positions

The President will appoint, with the consent of the majority of the officers, such project directors, committee chairmen, and committees as may contribute to the successful operation of the DHC.

ARTICLE VI

Dues

Each member will pay \$10.00 dues per year and will not be entitled to vote at DHC meetings until his/her dues have been paid in full. If member signs up during club drive at the beginning of the year for multiple Agricultural clubs, member may pay less than \$10.00 and still be considered paid-in-full.

ARTICLE VII

Amendments

SECTION 1. Amendments to this Constitution may be adopted upon an affirmative vote by the general membership at the meeting following the initial proposal.

SECTION 2. Any member in good standing may propose an amendment to this Constitution.

ARTICLE VII SECTION 2. The officers will be elected at a regular DHC meeting in the spring semester and will officially take office on March 1st.