I. Title:
   A. The title of this organization shall be the District VI 4-H Council.

II. Purpose:
   A. The purpose shall be to act as a sounding board to:
      1. Recognize the needs and interests of members in 4-H Youth Development.
      2. Identify and deliver programs that will meet the needs and interests of youth.
      3. Provide a youth voice and presence regarding 4-H Youth Development.
      4. Provide leadership to district-wide events, activities and contests.

III. Membership
   A. The District VI 4-H Council membership is open to all youth without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability or genetic information.
   B. Council members must be current senior 4-H members in good standing, and must reach their 16th birthday and must not have reached their 19th birthday on or before August 31st of the calendar year in which they are installed into office.
   C. Officers must participate in the District VI 4-H Council Workshop/Retreat to be an official member of the Council.
   D. An officer enrolling out of district shall automatically relinquish their position on the District VI 4-H Council.

IV. Officer Positions:
   A. President
   B. 1st Vice President
   C. Delegate-at-Large
   D. 2nd Vice President
   E. Secretary
   F. Public Relations
   G. Parliamentarian
   H. Health & Safety Officer

   1. Delegate-at-Large: To assure minority representation on the Texas 4-H Council, the District VI 4-H Council is given the opportunity to select a minority representative. If the District VI 4-H Council fails to elect at least one minority to fill the office of President or 1st Vice President, they will select a minority to fill the position of Delegate-at-Large. If the District VI 4-H Council is unable to fill such position, they will forfeit its opportunity of the minority delegate representation for that year. Minority status is defined as no less than 1/16th minority nationality.

V. Term of Office:
   A. Officers shall be elected annually and are eligible to attain and hold position on the District VI 4-H Council for no more than three years.
   B. Officers shall serve from the time of installation at Leadership Lab until installation of new officers the following year.

VI. Eligibility for Office Position:
   A. Must be a minimum of 16 years old on or before August 31st of the year serving in office
   B. Must have completed a senior record book at county level
   C. Must have participated in one state 4-H event
   D. Must have attended one senior leadership lab
   E. Must have been in 4-H at least three years
   F. Must have a minimum of one year left in high school
   G. Must submit the D6 Officer Application to the District VI Extension Program Specialist – 4-H by the set deadline
VII. Executive Committee:
   A. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers, agent advisors and the Extension
      Program Specialist – 4-H.

VIII. Committees:
   A. Committees may be appointed at any time by the Executive Committee.

IX. Voting Body:
   A. The voting body shall consist of two delegate representatives from each District VI
      county. Each representative will cast a single vote.

X. Quorum:
   A. A quorum shall be a simple majority of the membership representing at least 12 counties
      out of the 23 in District VI.

XI. Standing Rules:
   Amendments/Additions to the Standing Rules may be made at a District VI 4-H Council
   regular meeting and approved by a majority vote.

XII. The Election Process:
   A. Application
      1. Deadline for application submission will be set by the District VI Extension
         Program Specialist – 4-H. Deadlines will be enforced.
      2. Applications should be typed.
      3. The applicant will receive 10 points for completion, and 0 for non-achievement.
   B. Display Board
      1. Boards should showcase a 4-H member’s career, including leadership,
         community service, project work, activities and events participated in,
         recognition and non-4-H experiences, such as school and family.
      2. Boards should not contain negative remarks or inappropriate content.
      3. Boards should be no larger in size than 36” X 48”.
      4. The applicant will receive 10 points for completion, and 0 for non-achievement.
   C. Interview
      1. Each candidate will complete a five minute interview with an interview panel.
      2. The panel will consist of a minimum of: two outgoing District VI 4-H Council
         officers, one County Extension agent with no conflict of interest, and one guest
         member with a youth development focus.
      3. The interview is weighted, with a point system of 0-20, with 20 being the top
         (maximum).
   D. Speech
      1. Time limit of the speech will be 3 minutes max with 1 minute warning at 2
         minutes. Time limit will be enforced.
      2. At Leadership Lab, all candidates will give their speech to the entire
         delegation.
      3. The applicant will receive 10 points for completion, and 0 for non-achievement.

XIII. Election:
   A. Nominations will be taken from the floor for each office. Officers will be elected in the
following order by ballot:

1. President
2. 1st Vice President
3. Delegate-at-Large
4. 2nd Vice President
5. Secretary
6. Public Relations
7. Parliamentarian
8. Health & Safety Officer

B. Voting delegates will turn in ballots to tabulation committee.

C. In the event of a tie, candidates will speak on a provided topic. Each candidate will have two minutes total to prepare and offer remarks.

D. The election is weighted, with a point system of 0-50, with 50 being the top (maximum).

XIV. Dissolution:
A. Upon the dissolution of the Council, all real property, including money, equipment and land shall become the property of the District VI 4-H Youth Development Program for care and distribution. The last official duty of the advisors shall be to complete the transfer of Council property and turn over all records to the Extension Program Specialist – 4-H.