

# 2019 Proposed Amendments to the United Suffolk Sheep Association (USSA) Bylaws

Listed below are proposed changes to the USSA bylaws. Both the current and proposed language are presented.

## ARTICLE VI. OFFICERS.

Section 1. General. The officers of the Association shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, and a Treasurer. No offices may be held by the same person. To be eligible to serve as President, Vice President or Treasurer the individual must have served on the Board the previous year.

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Section 1. General. The officers of the Association shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, and a Treasurer. No offices may be held by the same person. To be eligible to serve as President and Vice President the individual must have served on the Board the previous year. The Treasurer, a member in good standing, will be appointed by the Board of Directors. If the appointed Treasurer is a non-elected director, the Treasurer will not have voting rights. The duties and the term of the Treasurer are defined by the board of directors.

**Information from the board:** *The USSA Board of Directors feels the office of Treasurer should be a long term position held by a member who is committed to overseeing the expenditures of the association. The USSA likely has the most combined investments and income of any sheep organization. This office is one that takes time to have a full understanding of the association's financials.*

## ARTICLE VII. COMMITTEES.

Section 1. Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, the Vice-President, and the Treasurer, who serves as the chair of the finance committee appointed by an election by the Board of Directors. The Executive Committee shall, when the Board is not in session, supervise and direct the affairs of the Association under policies established by the Board, reporting to the Board for its ratification of the Committee's action.

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Section 1. Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, the Vice-President, Treasurer, current Executive Secretary and one current director selected by the Executive Secretary and approved by the President. The Executive Committee shall, when the Board is not in session, supervise and direct the affairs of the Association under policies established by the Board, reporting to the Board for its ratification of the Committee's action.

**Information from the board:** The Executive Secretary has been added to this committee and will choose an engaged director to serve on the Executive Committee.

## ARTICLE XIII. AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

The Board of Directors maintains its predecessor organizations' responsibilities and authority including but not limited to the National Suffolk Sheep Foundation, the National Junior Suffolk Sheep Association and the National Sheep Genetics Registry.

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**Information from the board:** *The National Suffolk Sheep Foundation dissolved approximately 20 years ago. The USSA Board of Directors is setting up a United Suffolk Sheep Foundation. The name listed for the junior organization should be corrected from National to United. This is a formality change that needs to be made in the USSA Bylaws.*