**Iowa Corn Growers Association-Iowa State Chapter**

**Constitution and By-Laws**

***Article I Name***

The name of this organization shall be the Iowa Corn Growers Collegiate Club at Iowa State University.

***Article II Purpose & Goals***

Section One: The objective of the Iowa Corn Grower’s Collegiate Club at Iowa State University is to increase involvement by students in the Iowa Corn Growers Association. Students will become immersed in the real-world issues that they will face when they graduate from college. In order to become industry leaders we need to have the proper training and networking to conquer the challenges we will face during our careers. We will have meetings once a month and plan to have a speaker at each meeting. The speaker will be linked to the agriculture industry and will speak about current issues affecting agriculture.

Section Two: The Iowa Corn Growers Collegiate Club at Iowa State University abides by and supports established Iowa State University policies, State and Federal Laws.

***Article III Membership***

Membership shall be open to all registered students at Iowa State University. The Iowa Corn Growers Collegiate Club at Iowa State University does not discriminate on the basis of race,ethnicity, sex, pregnancy, color, religion, national origin, physical or mental disability, age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information, or status as a U.S. Veteran.

Membership dues will be Iowa Corn Growers Association Student Membership. This will cover both semesters. Membership will be revoked by ½ vote of officers plus ¾ vote from the general membership if actions are deemed inappropriate by the membership.

***Article IV Officers***Election of officers will require a majority vote from the general membership. If a candidate fails to receive a majority of votes, a runoff election will be held with the top two candidates that received the most votes. Members interested in becoming an officer must meet academic requirements as established by the Student Organization Recognition Policy.

Officer Positions

President

* Preside over all meetings
* Represent organization on campus
* Ensure that the organization is operating in conformity with the standards set forth by Iowa State University and Student Activities Center
* Maintain communication with organization adviser

Vice-president

* Preside over meetings in the absence of the President
* Schedule meetings/events with appropriate University offices
* Coordinate organization promotion and publicity of events
* Will serve as the risk management chair and oversee all risk management responsibilities
* Duties of the Risk Management Chair:
* A. To recommend risk management policies to Iowa State University Corn Grower’s Association
* B. To submit documentation to ISU’s Risk Management Office
* C. To ensure that the Iowa State University Corn Growers Association Chapter’s Risk Management Policy is implemented at all events

Secretary

* Maintain an accurate record of all organization meetings and post for members
* Maintain membership directory
* Correspond when necessary with University administration and other recognized organizations

Treasurer

* Maintain accurate record of organization transactions
* Collect dues if required
* Develop organization budget and present to membership for ¾ vote
* Cosign organization checks along with the Adviser
* Arrange fundraising opportunities for the organization
* Solicits additional funding if needed from the Student Government
* Association in conjunction with the President

Adviser

* Maintain communication and meet with officer(s) regularly
* Awareness and approval of financial expenditures
* Ensure that the organization
* A list of potential Adviser(s) will be drafted by the current officer team and later voted on and/or ratified by 2/3-majority vote of the club.
* The Adviser serves on a year-by-year basis and the adviser should be voted on by members of the club when officer candidate elections are held.
* When a member(s) become dissatisfied with an adviser, he or she can go to the officer team and the officer team determines if the matter should be brought to a vote. If the matter is brought up for a vote, the 2/3-majority will be the determining victor.
  + The adviser, if brought up for impeachment, is able to be present during the impeachment vote as well as give a speech on his or her behalf as to why he or she should remain the adviser or anything else they deem necessary.
* Should a vacancy occur in the adviser role, the officer team will draft a list of potential replacements and the options are brought to a vote with a 2/3-majority of members present at the meeting being the determining victors.

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* Update the Club on Iowa Corn Growers Association Activities

Social Media Chair

* To promote our sponsors
* Let the media know what our club is up to
* Take pictures at meetings and events

The term of office will be one full academic year from the second main meeting in October to last meeting in April. All officers shall comprise the Executive Committee of the organization. The Executive Committee shall meet in addition to regular organization meetings. The Executive Committee shall appoint such committees that are needed to carry out organization goals. Iowa Corn Growers Association – Iowa State Chapter agrees to annually complete President’s Training, Treasurer’s Training, and Advisor Training (if required).

Should an officer vacancy occur, an unlimited amount of nominations for the vacated office should be taken from the floor at the soonest meeting since the vacancy occurred, and nominations are voted upon by the Iowa Corn Growers Association – Iowa State Chapter members.

**The officers of the Iowa Corn Growers-Iowa State Chapter must meet the following requirements**

(a) Have a minimum cumulative grade point average 2.00 as stated below and meet that minimum GPA in the semester immediately prior to the election/appointment, the semester of election/appointment and semesters during the term of office. For undergraduate, graduate, and professional students, the minimum GPA is 2.00. In order for this provision to be met, at least six hours (half-time credits) must have been taken for the semester under consideration.

(b) Be in good standing with the university and enrolled: at least half time (six or more credit hours), if an undergraduate student (unless fewer credits are required to graduate in the spring and fall semesters) during the term of office, and at least half time (four or more credits), if a graduate level student (unless fewer credits are required in the final stages of their degree as defined by the Continuous Registration Requirement) during their term of office.

(c) Be ineligible to hold an office should the student fail to maintain the requirements as prescribed in (a) and (b)."

Officers may be removed from office by ½ vote of the other officers and ¾ of the general membership if actions are deemed inappropriate by the membership. The officer is permitted to speak before the Executive Committee and the general membership about the charges made concerning his/her performance. The officer is not permitted to participate in the deliberation of the Executive Committee regarding the charges.

Officer replacement methods should be described, in the event of officer removal or unscheduled vacancy.

***Article V. Finances***

All monies belonging to this organization shall be deposited and disbursed through a bank account established for this organization at the Campus Organizations Accounting Office and/or approved institution/office (must receive authorization via Campus Organizations Accounting Office). All funds must be deposited within 48 hours after collection. The Adviser to this organization must approve and sign each expenditure before payment.

***Article VI. Amendments & Ratification***

This constitution may be amended and subsequently ratified at any time, with the unanimous approval of the President, Vice President, and Treasurer and with a simple majority of the membership, not counting abstainers. Members will be given one week to consider amendments.

Ratified amendments to this Constitution must be submitted to the Student Activities Center within (10) days.