

Georgia Angus Auxiliary By-Laws

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Article 1 - Name

Georgia Angus Auxiliary Association (GAAx)

Article II - Purpose

The purpose of the Auxiliary shall be to have persons interested in the welfare of the Angus breed to engage in educational, promotional, social and other functions appropriate to this organization. It shall be a non-profit organization.

Article III - Membership

The membership shall consist of women from the state of Georgia who are interested in promoting registered Angus cattle and shall be of two classes: active and honorary.

Section 1: Active members are persons who are willing to uphold the purpose of the organization and pay their annual or lifetime dues.

Section 2: Honorary members may be any person who has rendered distinguished service to the organization or to the Angus breed, has been recommended by the Executive Board and elected unanimously by the membership at the Annual Meeting. Honorary members may attend all meetings of the organization and will have voting privileges. An Honorary member must obtain Active member status to hold an office.

Section 3: Dues

- A. Life membership - one time payment of \$50.
- B. Annual membership - paid each year in the amount of \$10.
- C. Annual combined GAAx / AAx membership - paid each year in the amount of \$20.
- D. The membership year will run from June 1st to May 31st.

Article IV - Meetings

Section 1: Annual Meeting shall be held in conjunction with the Southern National Show each year.

Section 2: Other Meetings shall be called by the President or by members of the Executive Board.

Article V - Election & Terms of Office

Section 1: The Nominations Committee shall submit a slate of names for the vacated offices to the membership at the annual meeting. Names may be added by the membership at this time. Voting shall be done by secret ballot cast by the members present. A person is elected by receiving the majority of votes.

Section 2: The Executive Board shall make appointments to fill offices vacated before the term expires.

Section 3: The term of an elected office shall be two years. There shall be no limit to terms served.

Article VI - Officers

Section 1: President

- A.** Must have previously held another officer position or served as a committee chair.
- B.** Shall preside at all meetings.
- C.** Shall appoint committee chairpersons and ensure that they function appropriately and in a timely manner.
- D.** Shall serve as ex officio member of all committees except for Nominating.
- E.** Shall serve as a member of the American Angus Auxiliary Executive Board, or appoint a representative if unable to serve.

Section 2: Vice President

- A.** Shall serve in the absence of the President.
- B.** Shall present information during the junior meeting at the GAA Annual Banquet, in January, regarding contests and deadlines at the state and National level.
- C.** Shall assist the GJAA advisors regarding questions related to NJAS contests.

Section 3: Secretary / Treasurer

- A.** Shall make copies of minutes available to members at all regular meetings and upon request.
- B.** Shall collect the dues of the organization.
- C.** Shall maintain membership files.
- D.** Shall forward any dues collected for National membership to the American Angus Auxiliary.
- E.** Shall serve on the Membership committee.
- F.** Shall receive bills and ensure they are paid in a timely manner.

Section 4: The Executive Board shall be comprised of the President, Vice President, and Secretary / Treasurer.

Article VII - Committees

Section 1: Annual Meeting Committee – This committee shall be responsible for organizing all aspects of the reception that is held prior to the Annual Meeting.

Section 2: By-Laws Committee – This committee shall review adopted By-Laws and recommend changes when necessary. (See Article VIII)

Section 3: Fundraising Committee – This committee shall plan and carry out fundraisers to benefit the juniors and promote the Angus breed.

Section 4: Georgia Royalty Committee – This committee shall be responsible for organizing all aspects of the Queen and Princess contests each year.

Section 5: Hospitality Committee – This committee shall be responsible for decorating at the GAA Banquet. They shall also be responsible for providing refreshments at various events where the Georgia Angus Association is represented.

Section 6: Membership Committee – This committee shall be responsible for considering, advising and acting upon ways of building and maintaining membership.

Section 7: Nomination Committee – This committee shall be responsible for nominating a slate of officers, with their prior consent, to be presented for election at the Annual Meeting.

Section 8: Youth Beef Promotion – This committee shall be responsible for working with GJAA advisors to incorporate educational contests during the year. Additionally, they will help juniors apply for Certificate of Achievement Awards.

Article VIII - By-Laws Amendments

Section 1: The By-Laws Committee chair shall receive any proposed amendments and present them to the full committee for consideration.

Section 2: If the amendment passes the By-Laws Committee, they shall present it to the Executive Board prior to a vote by the Active members.

Section 3: Proposed amendments shall be voted on at the Annual Meeting and will be adopted if approved by a two-thirds vote of members.