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JUNIOR HISTORIAN CONSTITUTION
Preamble

We, the members of the Junior Historians, in order to stimulate interest in the history of _____ and _____ County, add to the exhibits of the _____ Museum, assist in the collection of books and historical documents for the Texas section of the _____ Library, and to assist the _____ County Historical Commission to identify and preserve the historical landmarks in Texas, do hereby ordain and establish this constitution for the Junior Historians of _____ School, _____, Texas.

Article I (Name)

The name of this organization shall be the _____ Junior Historians.

Article II (Membership)

All students who are interested in the history of our county and state shall be eligible for membership. Any former member may retain his or her membership until the age of twenty-one by paying current dues.

Article III(Dues)

The dues of the chapter shall be _____.

All members are encouraged to subscribe to the *Texas Historian* at the current subscription price.

Article IV (Officers and their Duties)

Section I. The officers of the club shall be: president, first vice-president, second vice-president, secretary, treasurer, reporter, and club historian.

Section II. The duties of the president shall be: to preside over meetings, to appoint committees, and to perform any other duties proper to the office.

Section III. The vice-president shall preside in the absence of the president and shall be program chairman.

Section IV. The second vice-president shall be membership and publicity chairman.

Section V. The secretary shall keep a proper record of all meetings and the names and addresses of all members and shall conduct most of the correspondence of the club.

Section VI. The treasurer shall collect all dues from members, receive any other money due the club, and pay bills when properly authorized.

Section VII. The reporter shall make reports to the local newspaper and school paper.

Section VIII. The club historian shall keep a scrapbook composed of clippings from the various newspapers, and a collection of the outstanding papers of the society and photographs of the various club activities.

Article V (Elections)

Officers shall be elected to serve for a year. Officers shall be proposed by a nominating committee with the floor open to further nomination for each office. No officer shall be allowed to hold the same office in succession.

Article VI (Meetings)

Meetings shall be held on the _____ of every month, with exception of December and the summer months. There shall be at least two field trips per year.

Article VII (Resignations)

All resignations will be submitted in written form to the president.

Article VIII (Amendments)

These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members at any regular meeting.

Article IX (Attendance)

Members shall be uniform in attendance at regular meetings of the club with one unexcused absence allowed per semester. The members shall be required to notify the president, first vice-president, second vice-president, or secretary in event of absence. Failure to do so shall be construed as an unexcused absence.