

Rules for election of AJSA Board of Directors and Officers:

- 1) All candidates **MUST** submit a written application that is available from the ASA.
- 2) Junior board applications will be accepted in the ASA office by April 1, 2010.
- 3) Candidates for election must be nominated from the floor at Youth Conference I.
- 4) Delegates will receive a copy of all the candidate applications at Youth Conference I.
- 5) Open interviews will be conducted at Youth Conference II.
- 6) Only one new board member may be elected from any state/area association in a single year.
- 7) There can be no more than two board members serving from one junior association at any time.
- 8) The term for an AJSA board member is three years. However, should a director have his 22nd birthday after the conference, he must retire at the following conference, regardless of years left in his term. Therefore, there are at least three (and often more) positions open at election time.
- 9) To be eligible to be on the AJSA Board, juniors must not have children or be with child. If a previously installed Board member becomes with child, he/she must resign at the following conference.
- 10) Each junior association must have two delegates representing their group at the youth conferences. The delegates must be AJSA members that are 15 years of age or older. If the association does not have two members present fulfilling this age requirement, they may have younger delegates. A junior association with only one junior at the Junior Nationals may have only one delegate, but will still receive their association's number of allotted votes.
- 11) Delegates from each junior association will be given ballots (corresponding to the number of votes which their association receives) with each board member candidate's name on it. They will rank each candidate with 1 going to their first choice, 2 to the second, etc., until the ballot is completed and all candidates have an allotted value.
- 12) During voting **ONLY** delegates of the same junior association will be able to confer. Ballots from one junior association do not have to have the same rankings.
- 13) Election will be conducted at Youth Conference III in the following manner:
 - a) The number of votes received by each junior association will be determined by the number of members of the American Junior Shorthorn Association within that junior association. If two states officially become one junior association, i.e. Dakota Plains, they will vote as one association. The number of members from each of the states will be added to determine the votes the junior association gets.
 - (1) 2 votes: 0-75 junior members
 - (2) 3 votes: 76-250 junior members
 - (3) 4 votes: 251 and up junior members
 - b) The number of junior members will be the number of members the junior association has as of the entry deadline, and voting number brackets are subject to change as the total association membership changes for subsequent years.
 - c) Each current AJSA Board Member will receive one vote.
 - d) Delegate and AJSA Board rankings will account for 70% of each candidate's total score.
 - e) The remaining 30% will be the ranking by a committee of three qualified industry leaders after each reviewing each candidates application and an interview.
 - f) To determine which candidates will get on the board and in what order, these ranks will be added. The lowest score will be the first candidate to get on the board and so on until all the positions are filled. Ties will be broken by counting the number of number 1 rankings the candidates receive.