**Membership Experience Advisory Committee Policy**

Ohio FFA Association

The Ohio FFA Association is committed to providing opportunities for every individual to enhance their personal and professional endeavours. As part of this commitment, the association recognizes the need to create a community built on collaboration, innovation, creativity, and belonging and where everyone’s contribution is respected and embraced. Diverse cultures and experiences help advance our communities, the industry of agriculture and cultivate an environment that allows each person to recognize and explore their differences. To ensure accessible, diverse, and equitable activities for all students, an advisory committee will be formed that supports the association’s commitment to a high-quality experience for its members.

Section A – Purpose of Committee

1. Facilitate cooperation and communication between the state committee, FFA Advisors and/or Agricultural Educators and the Ohio FFA Board of Trustees.
2. Assist the Ohio FFA Association in evaluating structured student programs by providing feedback from an accessibility, diversity, equity and inclusion standpoint.
3. Assist in the development and redesign of identified Ohio FFA Association structured programs.
4. Assist in developing necessary knowledge and skills as well as performance levels for FFA members through participation in FFA programs.

Section B – Membership

1. The committee shall consist of five agricultural education teachers (one representative per region), two Ohio Department of Education staff, one Ohio FFA Foundation staff, one Ohio FFA Program Manager, one Ohio FFA Camp Director, two current or recent State FFA Officers and at least one representative from business and industry.
2. Each District will be required to nominate one teacher.
3. The term of service for the appointed agricultural education teachers, state FFA officers, and business and industry representatives shall begin on July 1 and terminate on June 30 and continue for a two-­year period. These representatives will be limited to serving no more than two consecutive terms.
4. Agricultural education teachers serving on the Ohio FFA Board of Trustees will be appointed to serve ex officio on the committee. Ohio FFA Board of Trustees members may not serve on this committee at the concurrent time of their service commitment as an Ohio FFA Board of Trustees member.

Section C – Committee Operation

1. At least one meeting will be held per year. The exact number of meetings will be determined by the needs of the Ohio FFA Association.
2. The Ohio FFA Association state staff will develop an agenda for each meeting.
3. Discussion to obtain consensus will be the prevailing procedure used at meetings. It should be noted that committee activity is limited to suggestions, recommendations and assistance. Authority does not include administrative control of Ohio FFA Association programs; these responsibilities are reserved for Ohio FFA Association staff.
4. Meeting minutes will be recorded and distributed for each meeting.