

Constitution and Bylaws

Administrative Council – Illinois FFA Center

Article I Name

The name of the organization shall be the Illinois FFA Center Administrative Council. Hereafter referred to as the Administrative Council or Council; the Illinois FFA Center or Center.

Article II Organization

The Administrative Council is the governing entity of the Illinois FFA Center – representing the Illinois Association FFA, Illinois Foundation FFA, Illinois Association of Vocational Agriculture Teachers (IAVAT), Illinois Association of Community College Agriculture Instructors (IACCAI), Illinois Postsecondary Agricultural Student Organization (IL PAS), the Illinois FFA Alumni Association and Facilitating Coordination for Agricultural Education (FCAE). Hereafter, referred to as member organizations.

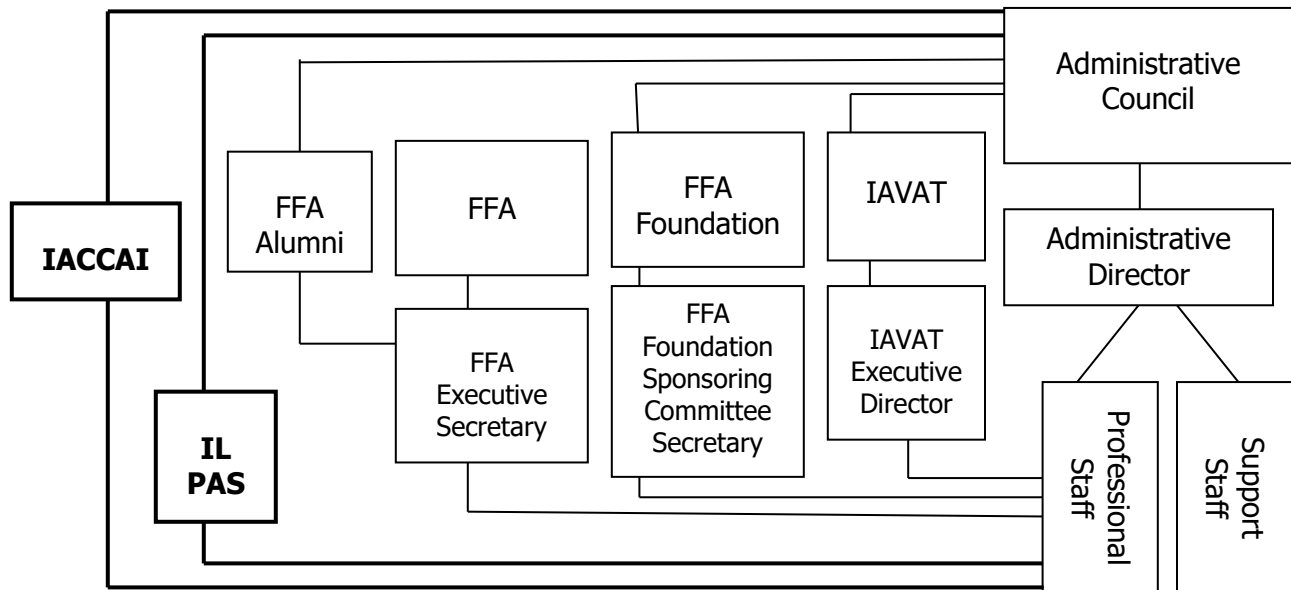
Article III Purpose

The purposes of the Administrative Council shall include, but are not limited to:

- Section A To coordinate functions of the Administrative Center to more effectively support the member organizations.
- Section B To provide a structure for articulation of major state activities involving member organizations.
- Section C To plan, develop, implement and monitor the annual administrative budget. The budgeting process to be coordinated with that of the member organizations to determine proper appropriation requests from each.
- Section D To annually evaluate the position performance of the Administrative Director and all professional staff of the Center. Assist the Director in annual support staff evaluation.
- Section E To review, evaluate and recommend capital equipment expenditures for the Center.
- Section F To establish priorities at the Center relative to assisting related support organizations.
- Section G To be ultimately responsible for promoting, hiring and firing Administrative Center personnel.

Article IV Structure

The relationships of the member organizations are as graphically depicted:



Article V Membership

- Section A Membership in the Council shall be limited to representatives of the member organizations: Illinois Association FFA, Illinois Foundation FFA, IAVAT, IACCAI, IL PAS, Illinois FFA Alumni Association and FCAE.

- Section B The council membership shall include thirteen (14) representatives. Representatives of member organizations will serve on a rotational basis as described in Section C-I.
- Section C The representatives of the Illinois Association FFA shall be the current State FFA President and the most immediate past State FFA Presidents (or designees) and a designated FFA Board Adult representative. The State FFA Advisor (Agriculture Consultant, ISBE) will serve as an ex-officio member of the Council.
- Section D The representatives of the Illinois Foundation FFA shall be the immediate past Chairman, current Chairman and current Vice Chairman of the FFA Foundation Sponsoring Committee.
- Section E The representatives of the IAVAT shall be the immediate Past President, the current President and the current Vice President of the IAVAT.
- Section F The representatives of the Illinois FFA Alumni Association shall be two designated members of the current State Alumni Council of Illinois FFA Alumni.
- Section G The Illinois Association of Community College Agriculture Instructors representative shall be the IACCAI President.
- Section H. The Illinois Postsecondary Agricultural Students shall be the IL PAS President.
- Section I The Facilitating Coordination in Agricultural Education shall be the State Coordinator for the FCAE project.
- Section J In the event of a vacancy on the Council the member organization shall appoint a qualified replacement, with full approval of the board of control, for the duration of the term.
- Section K Members of the Council shall be responsible for reporting activities of the Council to their respective board of control on a regular basis.

Article VI Officers

- Section A The officers of the Council shall consist of a Chairperson and a Secretary.
- Section B The Chairperson shall be elected by a majority vote of the Council membership at the first regular meeting of the fiscal year.
- Section C The Secretary shall be appointed by the Council Chairperson with the advice and consent of the Council at the first regular meeting of the fiscal year. The Secretary may be an ex-officio member of the Council.

Article VII Meetings

- Section A The Council shall meet each quarter to conduct business relative to the stated purposes.
- Section B Additional meetings will be called at the discretion of the Chair or by the formal request of at least two (2) member organizations.
- Section C Notice of Council meetings shall be given by mailing the same to all Council members, not less than fourteen (14) days prior to any regular meeting.

Article VIII Fiscal Year

The official activity year of the Council shall commence on July 1st each year and shall conclude on June 30th of the succeeding year.

Article IX Committees

- Section A The Council shall establish ad hoc and standing committees as deemed necessary to study and conduct its mandates.
- Section B The Chairperson, with advice and consent of the Council, shall appoint all committees.
- Section C The Chairperson shall be an ex-officio member of all committees of the Council.

Article X Amendments

- Section A This constitution may be amended, revised or repealed by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the member organizations. Acting representatives of the organizations shall be as follows:
Illinois Association FFA – Current five major state FFA Officers and twenty-five section presidents.
Illinois Foundation FFA – Current FFA Foundation Sponsoring Committee members.
IAVAT – Current members of the IAVAT Board of Directors.
Illinois FFA Alumni Association – current members of the Illinois FFA Alumni Council.
IACCAI – IACCAI Executive Committee
IL PAS – PAS Board of Directors

Section B The bylaws of the Council may be amended, revised or repealed by a majority vote of the current membership of the Council at any regular meeting, provided a written notice giving exact wording of the intended change is sent to each member at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the meeting.