

CONSTITUTION

BLOOMINGTON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC.

Adopted - September 4th, 2015

PREAMBLE

We, the undersigned, wishing to secure for ourselves the pleasures and benefits of the association of persons commonly interested in amateur radio, do hereby constitute ourselves the Bloomington Amateur Radio Club, Inc., and do enact this constitution as our governing law. It shall be our purpose to facilitate the exchange of information and general cooperation between members, to promote radio knowledge, fraternalism, and individual operating efficiency, and to so conduct club programs and activities as to advance the general interest and welfare of amateur radio in the general community.

MEMBERSHIP: ARTICLE I

Sec. 1 – Only persons interested in amateur radio shall be eligible for membership. (Membership shall be by application and election upon such terms as the club shall by its bylaws provide.)

Sec. 2 – Improper conduct by a member in any club activity shall be cause for his expulsion by a two-third vote of the members at a meeting.

OFFICERS: ARTICLE II

Sec. 1 – Only members in good standing who are licensed amateur radio operators shall be elected to a club office.

Sec. 2 – The officers of this club shall be: A president, a vice-president, a secretary-treasurer, a public information officer, and four (4) directors.

Sec. 3 – The officers of the Club shall be elected by a vote of members in good standing at the December meeting. Two directors shall be elected at the December meeting of even-numbered years and two (2) directors shall be elected in odd-numbered years. The President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer and Public Information Officer shall serve a term of one (1) year and the Directors shall serve a term of two (2) years.

Sec. 4 – Vacancies occurring between elections must be filled by special ballot, at the first regular meeting at which the death, withdrawal or resignation is announced. Members elected shall fill the remaining time period between the vacancy and the next regularly scheduled election.

Sec. 5 – Officers may be removed on motion by a three-fourths vote of the membership.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS: ARTICLE III

Sec. 1 – The President shall preside at all meetings of this club, and conduct the same according to the rules adopted. The President shall enforce due observance of this Constitution and Bylaws; decide all questions of order, sign all official documents that are adopted by the club, and perform all customary duties pertaining to the office of president.

Sec. 2 – The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in the event the President is not able to perform them.

Sec. 3 – The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep a record of the proceedings of all regular meetings, Board of Directors meetings, keep a roll of members, submit applications for membership, carry-on all correspondence, and read communications at each meeting. The Secretary-Treasurer shall receive and receipt for all monies received and expended. The Secretary-Treasurer shall pay no bills, not previously approved in the yearly budget, without proper authorization. At the end of each quarter the Secretary-Treasurer shall submit an itemized statement of disbursements and receipts. The Secretary-Treasurer shall, at the expiration of their term, turn over all records in their possession belonging to the club to their successor.

Sec. 4 – The elected officers of this club shall compose a Board of Directors. The Board shall transact the business of the club (except as herein provided) during the periods when the club is not in session, reporting its activities at the following regular meeting. It shall plan and organize club activities. It shall facilitate emergency communication organizations and shall endeavor to make the reputation of the club and amateur radio activities in the community as outstanding as possible.

MEETINGS: ARTICLE IV

Sec. 1 – The bylaws shall provide for regular and special meetings. For all meetings, a quorum shall consist of the members present.

DUES: ARTICLE V

Sec. 1 – The Bloomington Amateur Radio Club, Inc., by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present may levy upon the general membership such dues or assessments as shall be deemed necessary for the business of the organization within its object as set forth in the preamble thereof. Non-payment of such dues or assessments shall be cause for expulsion from the club within the discretion of the membership. Dues shall be assessed for the period of January 1st to December 31st of each year.

MEMBERSHIP ASSISTANCE: ARTICLE VI

Sec. 1 – The club through designation of INTERFERENCE, PUBLIC RELATIONS and OTHER COMMITTEES shall provide technical advice to members concerning equipment design and operation to assist the frequency observance, clean signal, uniform practice, and absence of

spurious radiations from club member-stations. The club shall also maintain a program to foster and guide public relations in those channels favorable to amateur work.

AMENDMENTS: _____ **ARTICLE VII**

Sec. 1 – This constitution or the bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the club members at a meeting, provided all members have been notified of the intent to amend the constitution and/or bylaws at a specified meeting.

RULES: _____ **ARTICLE VIII**

Sec. 1 – Roberts Rules of Order shall govern proceedings.