

Huber Heights Amateur Radio Club

CONSTITUTION

Mission Statement:

The Huber Heights Amateur Radio Club, as a non-profit organization, advances all aspects of the art of wireless communications to serve the public interest of the community of Huber Heights, Ohio, surrounding communities and the United States. (Mission Statement added: (06/2/2012)

Preamble:

We, as persons drawn together by our common interest in Amateur Radio, constitute ourselves

The Huber Heights Amateur Radio Club

And enact this Constitution as our governing law. Our purpose shall be:

To promote community wide understanding of the amateur radio communications service available to the public during times of emergency or natural disaster.

To organize and train units capable of maintaining communications during emergencies as a public service.

To promote interest and proficiency in amateur radio communications with respect to improving operating and technical skills.

To conduct activities and programs to advance the general interest and welfare of amateur radio in our community.

And to have fun with Amateur Radio!

Article I Membership:

All persons interested in Amateur Radio may become a member of the Huber Heights Amateur Radio Club upon a public vote of approval by a simple majority of members present at a regular club meeting and payment of dues.

Article II Officers:

Section 1: The officers of The Huber Heights Amateur Radio Club shall be President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Section 2: The officers of The Huber Heights Amateur Radio Club shall be elected for a term of one year by a ballot of the members present, at the April membership meeting of each year.

Section 3: The President and Vice President may succeed themselves for one additional term. The Secretary and Treasurer shall be eligible for re-election to either office for as many successive terms as the members and the office holder may desire.

Section 4: Vacancies occurring between elections must be filled by a special election at the first regular membership meeting following the withdrawal of resignation.

Section 5: Officers may be removed by a two-thirds vote of the membership present at a regular membership meeting. 2 of 3

Article III Duties of Officers:

Section 1: The President shall preside over meetings of The Huber Heights Amateur Radio Club and conduct the same according to the rules adopted. He or She shall enforce due observance of this constitution and by-laws, decide all questions of order, sign all official documents that are adopted by the club, and none other; and perform all customary duties pertaining to the office of President.

Section 2: The Vice-President shall assume all the duties of the President in the absence of the President.

Section 3: The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceeding of all meetings, keep a roll of members, submit applications for membership, carry on all correspondence and read communications at each meeting. He or She shall at the expiration of the term, turn over everything in their possession belonging to the club to the successor.

Section 4: The Treasurer shall receive and receipt for all monies paid to the club. Shall keep an accurate account of all monies received and expended. He or She shall pay no bills without proper authorization by the club or its officers constituting a business committee. At the end of each quarter shall submit an itemized statement of disbursements and receipts. Shall at the expiration of their term, turn over everything in their possession belonging to the club to there successor.

Article IV Meetings:

The regular membership meetings shall be held the first Saturday of each month except during July and August when there is no regular membership meeting. The meetings shall be held at a designated location. At the meetings the members present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of club business. A simple majority is required to pass a motion. The by-laws shall provide for special meetings.

Article V Dues:

Section 1: The Huber Heights Amateur Radio Club may levy upon the general membership such dues or assessments as shall be deemed necessary for the business of the organization within its objectives as set forth in the preamble.

Section 2: Proposals for changing dues or levies assessments shall be presented at a regular membership meeting and shall be voted on at the next following regular membership meeting, provided all members have been notified by email, regular mail or by phone of the intent to do same at said meeting.

Section 3: Non-payment of such dues or assessments shall be cause for expulsion from the Huber Heights Amateur Radio Club within the discretion of the membership. 3 of 3

Article VI Amendments

This constitution or the by-laws may be amended by a simple majority vote of the total membership present at the meeting when the vote is taken. Proposals for amendments shall be submitted in writing at regular membership meeting and shall be voted on at the next regular membership meeting, provided all members have been notified by either email, regular mail of the intent to do the same at said meeting.

Article VII Rules:

Roberts Rules of order shall govern proceedings.

By-Laws

Section 1: Secretary: It shall be the duty of the secretary to keep the constitution and by-laws of the Huber Heights Amateur Radio Club and Roberts Rules and have them with them at every meeting. He or She shall cause all amendments, changes and additions to the constitution and by-laws to be noted thereon and shall permit the same to be consulted by members upon request.

Section 2 Membership: Full membership is open to licensed amateurs. Associate membership is open to all other interested persons. Full membership includes all club privileges as well as rights to hold a club office and to vote for club officers. An associate member includes all club privileges except for the right to hold office and to vote for officers.

Section 3 Meetings: The President upon the written request of any five (5) - club members may call special meetings. Notice shall be sent to members concerning special meetings and the business to be transacted. Only such business as designated shall be transacted. Such notice shall be sent by email or phone call at least 24 hours prior said meeting. The notice must include the purpose of the special meeting.

Section 4 Dues: A regular annual assessment of \$10.00 per member is hereby assessed in accordance with the provisions of article V of the constitution for the purpose of providing funds for current expenses. The regular annual assessment for student members meeting the qualifications as a student in elementary, junior high/middle, high school or the equivalent thereof shall be \$3.00. A family annual assessment for additional family members meeting the qualifications: the initial family member shall be \$10.00 and each additional family member shall be \$3.00. Status of this membership will be defined under section 2 of the by-laws.

Section 5 Dismissal: Any member is subject to dismissal for conduct which would cause the suspension or revocation of their amateur radio license or which would cause unfavorable concern to be reflected upon the Huber Heights Amateur Radio Club and amateur radio in general. The dismissal proceedings begin with the President contacting the individual to ascertain his intentions and comments in the matter brought forth. The President would bring to the next regularly scheduled meeting the reply of the individual, should he elect not to represent himself to the membership. After discussion is open to the membership and concluded, a secret ballot must be conducted to decide to either dismiss the matter and retain the member or to revoke the individual's membership. A two-thirds vote of those present at the meeting shall be required for revocation of membership.

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