

By-Laws of the Central Illinois Radio Club

SECTION 1. Meetings.

Regular meetings of the club shall be held monthly at such place as the president may direct. Meetings may also, at the option of the president, be held virtually via online or other electronic means that permits participation and facile interaction by any member of the CIRC. A means of limiting meeting invitations exclusively for members of CIRC or specifically invited persons must be features of the selected virtual meeting format. All official actions taken in those virtual official meetings shall be considered as fully legitimate and binding as if held at a physical (in-person) meeting. The club president may change or omit any meeting in the best interest of the club, providing timely notice is given to the membership. A detailed copy of the essence of the attendance, proceedings, votes or other actions of each meeting, virtual or physical, shall be subsequently presented to all members, in textual form, prior to the next meeting, at which time such meeting minutes may be ratified and approved.

A record of all meetings, whether physically held or virtual, shall be reduced to text and maintained by the Secretary in a format that is easily accessible by all members.

Special meetings may be called by the president upon the request of any five members of the club or by any two current officers of the club. Notices shall be sent to all CIRC membership advising them of the special meeting, the reasonable details of attendance, and the nature of the business to be transacted.

SECTION 2. Dues, Fees and Assessments.

The membership shall run from January 1st. through December 31st. of each year and dues for same shall be payable on or before January 1st of that year. A grace period of one month will be allowed during which dues can be paid.

Annual dues shall be \$30 per year for a single member household and \$40 per year for a multiple member household. A determination of the household status shall be made once per year at the date of application and resulting dues shall not change during the year. Membership dues shall be prorated with respect to members that join during the year. The President may waive annual dues for any individual or family membership if, in his opinion, the dues would be a significant financial burden to that individual or family.

A person who has never previously held membership status in the club shall have his/her dues waived for the first year or remaining portion thereof.

The members may, by vote of a majority of paid up members, set such other fees or assessments as may be necessary or desirable and are in the spirit of the preamble of the constitution of the club.

SECTION 3. ELECTIONS

Pursuant to article II of the constitution, the annual election shall be by secret ballot with nominations being made from among the membership. However, subject to the unanimous consent of all voting members present, the secret ballot requirement may be changed to a public ballot.

Prior to the election, the president may appoint a nominating committee charged with presenting a nominee for each office to be filled. Any member present may also make a nomination. The post of secretary and treasurer may, at the discretion of the club membership, be combined.

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SECTION 4. ROTATION OF OFFICERS

A member shall not be elected to hold the same office for more than 2 full consecutive terms. However, a member shall, following a break in service of at least two years, be eligible for election to an office he/she has previously held.

SECTION 5. Vacancies

If an office becomes vacant for any reason, the President, or Vice President in his absence, may, with the advice and consent of a majority the membership present at a duly constituted meeting, appoint a member to fill the remaining term of the vacant office.

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