

Central Illinois Radio Club Constitution

PREAMBLE

We, the members of the Central Illinois Amateur Radio Club of Bloomington, Inc., desiring to maintain the pleasures, benefits and services of amateur radio, hereby enact the following constitution as our governing law to promote better cooperation, to develop individual efficiency, and to generally further the interest of the amateur radio service in our community, State and Nation.

ARTICLE I - MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING RIGHTS

All persons interested in amateur radio shall be eligible for membership. Membership shall be accomplished by expressed desire and compliance with membership requirements contained in the by-laws.

Voting rights shall extend to all paid up members currently holding valid amateur radio licenses.

A paid up member is any member whose dues are current. Each officer or director of the club must be a member who holds voting rights.

ARTICLE II - OFFICERS

SECTION 1.

The officers of this club shall be a president, vice president, secretary and treasurer.

SECTION 2.

The officers of this club shall be elected for a term of one (1) year. The election shall be held at the first regular meeting in May, of each New Year. Newly elected officers shall be installed at the first regular meeting of September. The manner in which said election is conducted is as provided in the by-laws.

SECTION 3.

Vacancies occurring between elections shall be filled by an election, at the next regular meeting or as soon as practical after such vacancy has been determined to exist.

SECTION 4.

An officer may be removed from office upon a motion made in writing and approved by a three-fourths vote of the voting membership.

ARTICLE III - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

The **president** shall preside at all meetings of the club and conduct the same according to the rules adopted. The president shall enforce due observance of this constitution and by-laws. The president shall decide all questions of order and sign all official documents that are approved by the membership. The president shall perform all customary duties pertaining to the office of the president.

The **vice-president** shall assume all duties of the president in the absence of the latter. If the president is permanently absent, through death or written resignation, the vice-

Central Illinois Radio Club Constitution

president shall assume the office of president and the office of vice president shall be deemed vacant.

The **secretary** shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings, keep a roll of members and carry on required correspondence for the club. The secretary shall keep the constitution and by-laws of the club and have a copy available at each regular and special meeting of the club. The secretary shall cause all amendments, changes and additions to be noted there on and shall permit the same to be consulted by any member upon request.

At the expiration of the secretary's term of office, everything in the secretary's possession belonging to the club shall be turned over to the successor to the office.

The **treasurer** shall receive and give receipt for all monies paid to the club. The treasurer shall pay no bills without membership authorization. A verbal report of the receipts disbursements and funds on hand shall be submitted to the membership at each meeting.

The treasurer, at the expiration of the treasurer's term of office, shall turn over everything in the treasurer's possession, belonging to the club, to the successor to the office.

ARTICLE IV - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The board of directors shall consist of the current officers of the club, the immediate past president of the club and one board member elected to the board by the membership.

The election is to be held with the regular annual election of officers in the same manner.

The board of directors shall, with the approval of the membership, appropriate such moneys as required for the purchase and upkeep of all club property, real estate, equipment, etc.

The term of office of the board of directors shall be for one year. Any vacancy on the board shall be filled in the same manner provided for the filling of vacancies among the officers.

The board of directors is custodian of the club amateur radio station and is hereby authorized, whenever necessary, to appoint a trustee for said station.

ARTICLE V - MEETINGS

The bylaws shall provide for regular and special meetings. At all meetings a quorum shall consist of those paid up members present. Roberts Rules of Order shall govern all proceedings of the club and in all matters requiring a vote of the membership.

In absence of specific requirements in the constitution to the contrary, a simple majority of those members present shall constitute passage.

Central Illinois Radio Club Constitution

ARTICLE VI - DUES AND FEES

The membership may levy such dues, fees, or assessments as necessary for the conduct of the business of the club within its object as set forth in the preamble of this document.

ARTICLE VII - BYLAWS

This club shall have full power to make bylaws for governing this club, management of its affairs, affixing of rates of contribution and shall have power to change, alter, add to or amend these bylaws.

ARTICLE IX - COMMITTEES

The president may appoint committees to carry out the activities of the club.