

OWATONNA STEELE COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE

We the members, wishing to secure for ourselves the pleasures and benefits of an association of persons commonly interested in Amateur Radio, constitute ourselves the Owatonna Steele County Amateur Radio (OSCAR) and enact this constitution as our governing law. It shall be our purpose to further the exchange of information and cooperation between members, to promote radio knowledge, fraternalism and individual operating efficiency, and to so conduct programs and activities to advance the general interest and welfare of Amateur Radio to include providing assistance and training to prospective Amateur Radio operators in the community. To assist the community when requested with public events and in time need. Owatonna Steele County Amateur Radio shall throughout this document be referred to as "The Club".

ARTICLE I MEMBERSHIP

Section 1

All persons interested in Amateur Radio shall be eligible for membership. Membership shall be by request and approval upon such terms as the Club shall provide in its By-Law.

ARTICLE II OFFICERS

Section 1

The officers of the Club shall be; President, Secretary, Treasurer, Trustee, and shall constitute the Executive Committee.

Section 2

The President, Secretary, Treasurer of the Club shall be elected for a term of one year by majority vote of the members present at the December meeting.

Section 3

The Club Trustee shall be appointed by the elected officers of the Club

Section 4

Vacancies occurring between elections shall be filled by special election at the first regular meeting following the vacancy.

Section 5

Officers may be removed by a three fourths vote of the membership.

ARTICLE III DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1

The President shall preside at all meetings and shall conduct them according to the rules adopted. He/she shall enforce due observance of this Constitution and By-laws; decide all questions of order; sign all official documents adopted by the Club and perform all customary duties pertaining to the office of President.

Section 2

The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings, keep a roll of all members, read communications at each meeting ensure meeting notices are publicized, and that notices of such special meetings as may be called are provided in e-mail to each member who is eligible to vote; and maintain archives of the Club. The secretary shall keep the Constitution and By-Laws of the Club; have them at every meeting and permit any member to review upon request. The Secretary shall note all amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws. At the expiration of the term the Secretary shall turn over all items and records belonging to the Club to his/her successor.

Section 3

The Treasurer shall receive and receipt all monies paid to the Club; keep an accurate account of all monies received and expended; and pay no bills without proper authorization by the Executive Committee. At the expiration of the term the Treasurer shall turn over all items and records belonging to the Club to his/her successor.

Section 4

The Trustee is the holder of the Club call sign and as such is legally responsible to the FCC for proper the operation of any Club Stations. Control operators may be appointed by the Trustee. The Trustee should stay Up-to-date with the activities of the recognized repeater coordination organization and participate in the organization. The Trustee is also responsible for reporting all Club station related matters to the Club.

ARTICLE IV PERSONAL LIABILITY

Section 1

No members, officers or directors of the Club shall be personally liable for debts or obligations of the Club of any nature whatsoever, nor shall any property of the members, officers or directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligations of the Club.

ARTICLE V MEETINGS

Section 1

The By-Laws shall provide for regular, board, special and annual meeting. A majority vote of members present at meetings is required for the transaction of business.

Section 2

A minimum of twenty percent of the current voting membership and a majority of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at regular, special, and annual meetings.

ARTICLE VI DUES

Section 1

The membership, by a majority vote at any regular or annual meeting may establish such dues as shall be deemed necessary to conduct business of the Club.

Section 2

Promotions and special offers to acquire new members are permitted as determined by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VII MEMBERSHIP ASSISTANCE

Section 1

The Club will provide technical advice to members concerning equipment design and operation to assist in frequency observance, clean signals, uniform practice, and absence of spurious radiations from Club member stations.

Section 2

The Club shall also maintain a program to foster and guide public relations.

ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENTS

Section 1

This Constitution and or the By-Laws may be amended by a simple majority vote in witch two thirds of the total eligible voting membership votes.

Section 2

Proposals for amendments shall be submitted at regular or annual meetings and shll be voted on at the next regular meeting provided all members have been notified of the intent to amend the Constitution and or By-Laws at said meeting.

ARTICLE IX COMMITTEES

Section 1

Committees may be created and disbanded in accordance with the needs of the Club, desires of its members and at the discretion of the Executive Committee,

Section 2

Committee members must be full members of the Club.

ARTICLE X CLUB PROPERTY

Section 1

The Secretary shall maintain a list of Club property. This list shall include identifying and location information.

ARTICLE XI RULES

Section 1

Robert's Rules Of Order shall govern all proceedings.

Amendments

10-Feb-2018

1. Changed document from html web based to MS Word.
2. Minor edits for formatting and spelling corrections.

OWATONNA STEELE COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO BY-LAWS

1. Membership: Membership is open to all licensed Amateur Radio operators. It includes all Club privileges, including rights to hold office and to vote.
2. Meetings: Regular meetings shall be held on the second Saturday of each calendar month. The annual meeting shall be the December meeting and shall include election of officers.
3. DUES: A regular yearly assessment of \$15.00 per member is hereby assessed in accordance with the provisions of Article VI of the constitution for the purpose of providing funds for expenses.

Amendments

13-Sep-2014

1. Changed dues in By-Laws to \$15.00 per member.

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