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Constitution

of the

Whitley County

Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

WCARC, INC. CONSTITUTION

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Preamble

We, an association of persons commonly interested in amateur radio, constitute ourselves the Whitley County Amateur Radio Club, Inc., an Indiana corporation; enact this constitution as our governing law. We have organized to further the exchange of information and cooperation between members, to promote radio knowledge and individual operating efficiency and to so conduct club programs as to advance the general interest and capability of amateur radio in the community.

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Article I

Name & Purpose

Section 1: The name of this organization shall be the Whitley County Amateur Radio Club Inc, here in after referred to as “WCARC”.

Section 2: The primary purposes as filed verbatim within the articles of incorporation are to operate a non-profit corporation for educational and scientific purposes as follows:

- (a) To promote the science of amateur radio communication by educating and increasing the proficiency of its members.
- (b) To provide for dissemination of information among its members concerning scientific advancement and progress in the field of amateur radio communications.
- (c) To organize and train licensed radio amateurs capable of maintaining radio communications as a public service:
 - (1) To other non-profit organizations.
 - (2) To local, state and national government agencies in time of emergency.
- (d) To provide a means by which amateur radio operators can collectively participate in experimental activities in radio communication and electronics, to the end that skills and experience gained will further the application of electronics to the benefit of the public at large.
- (e) To promote the federal communication’s rules and regulations governing the conduct of amateur radio communications.
- (f) To assist in carrying out these primary purposes, this organization intends to maintain an active affiliation with the American Radio Relay League, Inc., of Newington, Connecticut, the national non-profit organization of radio amateurs.

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Article II

Membership

Section 1: Membership in the WCARC is open to any person interested in amateur radio. There shall be two (2) classes of membership: The full member and associate member.

- (a) A full member must hold a valid FCC amateur radio license and is entitled to all rights and privileges of the organization, including the right to hold any office and to vote on all matters
- (b) An associate member shall be a person interested in amateur radio who does not hold a valid FCC amateur radio license. An associate member is entitled to rights and privileges of the organization, except the following:
 - 1. Voting privileges.
 - 2. Right to hold office.
 - 3. Activities that conflict with current FCC regulations.

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Article III

Board of Directors

Section 1: The Board of Directors of the WCARC shall consist of the Officers and the Directors at Large.

(a) The Officers of the WCARC shall be: President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Section 2: The Officers shall be elected by ballot vote to a one (1) year term of office.

Section 3: The Directors at Large shall consist of three (3) members elected by a ballot vote to serve a term of three (3) years. One Director at Large will be elected each calendar year.

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Article IV

Meetings

- Section 1:** The annual meeting and the election meeting of the WCARC shall be held in November.
- Section 2:** Regular meetings of the WCARC shall be held monthly. The election meeting and the annual meeting may take the place of the regular meeting in November.
- Section 3:** Special meetings of the WCARC may be called by the president, or by a majority of the board of directors, or by a written request to the president of 25% of the membership.

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Article V

Amendments

Section 1: This constitution may be amended in accordance with the following procedure:

- (a) The proposed amendment is submitted in writing and discussed at any regular meeting, with voting to follow at any subsequent regular or special meeting within four months.
- (b) A notice shall be issued to all voting members of the proposed amendment stating the relevant portion of the constitution as it exists and the same portion as it would read after passage of the proposed amendment. This notice is to be issued to all voting members at least 10 days before the meeting at which the votes will be tallied. All voting members will also be advised of the option for an absentee ballot.
- (c) Written absentee votes will be accepted if received by the Secretary prior to the time of voting at the meeting.

Section 2: Acceptance of the amendment shall require a three fourths (3/4) affirmative vote of the members present and absentee votes.