

The Bylaws of the Pennsylvania Avenue Radio Control Society, Inc.

The Pennsylvania Avenue Radio Control Society, Inc. (PARCS) has been incorporated in the state of New York and thus is a corporation by law. Members of the executive board are officers of the corporation. The president, being the chief executive officer (CEO) and the treasurer, being the chief financial officer (CFO).

Article 1. GOALS

Section 1.1 - This Corporation Has Been Organized To Achieve The Following Goals:

- To provide a common forum for the pursuit, enjoyment and betterment of the design, construction and flight of radio controlled model aircraft.
- To promote the safe operation of radio controlled model aircraft.
- To foster participation and continued interest in the hobby/sport of radio controlled model aviation.

Article 2. MEMBERSHIP

Section 2.1 - Membership Limitation

- 2.1.1 - Membership in the organization shall be limited to 300 members of the corporation.

Section 2.2 - Member in Good Standing

- 2.2.1 - A "member in good standing" shall be defined as a member who maintains a valid AMA and FCC (where applicable) license, and whose donations are paid in full for the year.

Section 2.3 - There shall be three classes of membership: Open Members, Junior Members and Probationary Members.

2.3.1 - Open Members

- 2.3.1.1 - Must be 18 years old.
- 2.3.1.2 - Must be a member in good standing for over 1 year.
- 2.3.1.3 - Has the right to vote at elections and meetings.

2.3.2 - Junior Members

- 2.3.2.1 - Must not have reached their 18th birthday by December 31st of the current year.
- 2.3.2.2 - Must be a member in good standing for over 1 year.
- 2.3.2.3 - May not vote at elections and meetings.

2.3.3 - Probationary Member

- 2.3.3.1 - A member in good standing who has not yet been voted into the organization.
- 2.3.3.2 - May not vote at elections and/or meetings.

Section 2.4 - Requirements for New Members

2.4.1 - An applicant for membership must present:

- ◇ A valid AMA card, current address and e-mail address.
- ◇ A valid license of the federal communication commission, where applicable (for operation on regulated "ham" frequencies).
- ◇ Must be sponsored by a member in good standing and presented to the membership at a General Membership Meeting.

- 2.4.2 - Upon the payment of the yearly donation and initiation contribution, an approved applicant shall be placed on probation for one year.

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- 2.4.3 - After the probationary period an applicant shall then be voted into the organization by a vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting. Should the applicant fail confirmation, all monies paid shall be refunded.

Article 3. MEMBERS' RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES

Section 3.1 - All Members In Good Standing Shall Enjoy Certain Rights As Follows:

- 3.1.1 - A member who has been charged with a violation of club rules must be considered innocent until proven guilty.
- 3.1.2 - Any allegation or charges involving a pilot's deliberate violation of PARCS' field rules and/or his unwillingness to fly safely in accordance with the field rules must be made directly to the pilot involved, at the time of the incident, preferably in the presence of witnesses. The Field Safety Officer or the field controller in attendance must make a written report of the incident with pertinent details to be given to the Field Safety Officer with a copy entered into the sign-in logbook for that flying session. A summary of the incident shall also be provided to the executive board.
- 3.1.3 - Any allegation regarding a pilot's competence or ability to fly a model aircraft safely must be judged on the basis of PARCS' pilot qualification standards. The Field Safety Officer has the authority to require any qualified flyer to be re-tested to prove that he/she meets the current standards necessary for pilot qualification.

Section 3.2 - Members' Responsibilities

- 3.2.1 - All members are expected contribute to the continued well being of the organization and advance the goals of the corporation as stated in Article 1 of this **bylaw**.
- 3.2.2 - It is the responsibility of the membership to bring any condition that is detrimental to the well being of PARCS to the attention of a member of the executive board for review by the entire board for the purpose-of:
- Determining what remedies are available and appropriate in order to resolve the offending situation.
 - Alleviating any dangerous situation that is perceived to exist.
 - Initiating sanctions when appropriate or the expulsion process if applicable in order to remove the offending member or members.
- 3.2.3 - It is the responsibility of every qualified pilot to maintain his/her skills and proficiency at a level that enables him/her to pass a PARCS' qualified pilot test.

Article 4. MEMBERSHIP DONATIONS

Section 4.1 - General

- 4.1.1 - Donations shall be collected annually from each member of the club.
- 4.1.2 - A year shall be defined as the time from January 1st to December 31st of the current year.
- 4.1.3 - Member donations for the current year are due January 31st.
- 4.1.4 - For a member to remain in good standing, he/she must be an AMA member who has paid his/her expected donation in full without penalty before March 31st. Members must submit proof of valid AMA coverage at time of renewal.
- 4.1.5 - All donations and initiation contributions shall be paid in one lump sum payment. An annual donation of \$70.00 is expected

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- 4.1.6 - If donations are received after March 31, a \$20.00 late penalty is expected. A membership card will not be issued until all donations and penalties are received in full. Members in arrears will not be considered current members.
- 4.1.7 - Removed.

Section 4.2 - Senior Discount

- 4.2.1 - A senior is an Open Member (see Section 2.3) age 62 or older by December 31st of the current year and currently collecting retirement benefits. Proof of benefits is required.
- 4.2.2 - A senior member's expected annual donation will be \$ 40.00 (as of January, 2010).

Section 4.3 - Junior Discounts

- 4.3.1 - All individuals who will be less than 18 years old on December 31st of the current year.
- 4.3.2 - Junior members' expected annual donation is \$ 25.00 (as of January, 2010).

Section 4.4 - New Members Fees

- 4.4.1 - Upon acceptance of an application for membership, the applicant is expected to contribute an initiation fee of \$75 in addition to the annual donation of \$ 70.

Article 5. EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 5.1 - Role of the Executive Board

- 5.1.1 - The Executive board shall manage and direct the corporation. All decisions of the executive board shall be determined by a majority vote of the board. Each voting officer shall cast one vote.
- 5.1.2 - Any monies in excess of \$100 to be spent by the executive board and/or any member of the executive board, and/or any committees appointed by the executive board must be voted on by the general membership, and approved.
- 5.1.3 - All decisions of the executive board shall be submitted to the general membership for approval.
- 5.1.4 - If, in the event a situation arises which it is not explained, not covered, or in direct conflict of a current bylaw, it will be the responsibility of the executive board to moderate a ruling on that incident, to present to the general membership. The ruling of the membership is final.
- 5.1.5 - Any member of the executive board who fails to attend both board and general meetings for three consecutive months shall be considered to have resigned due to an inability to serve, approved by the executive board.
- 5.1.6 - Upon vacancy of any position on the executive board, the president with the majority vote of the executive board shall appoint a replacement to that position.

Section 5.2 - Composition of the Executive Board

- 5.2.1 - The executive board shall be composed of nine voting officers elected by the general membership:
- President
 - Vice president
 - Treasurer
 - Corresponding Secretary

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- Recording Secretary
 - Field Safety Officer
 - Assistant Field Safety Officer
 - Sergeants-At-Arms (2)
- 5.2.2 - Three additional non-voting positions may be filled via appointment
- Editor-in-chief (appointed by the board)
 - Internet webmaster (appointed by the board)
 - Appointed Assistant Field Safety Officer (appointed by the Field Safety Officer)

Section 5.3 - Executive Officer Rights and Privileges

- 5.3.1 - Members of the executive board shall have all the rights and privileges enjoyed by the general membership
- 5.3.2 - Members of the executive board may not assume any additional rights, privileges, accommodations or concessions other than those explicitly stated in these bylaws or those explicitly granted by the membership.

Article 6. Officer Roles and Responsibilities

Section 6.1 - President

- 6.1.1 - The president shall be a member in good standing for at least two year prior to his/her election.
- 6.1.2 - He/she shall be the chief executive officer of the corporation.
- 6.1.3 - When in attendance, he/she shall preside at all meetings of the membership, executive board and other organized functions of the corporation.
- 6.1.4 - He/she shall ensure that all orders and resolutions adopted by the executive board are fulfilled carried into effect.
- 6.1.5 - He/she can attend all standing and ad-hoc committees established by the executive board or by the membership.
- 6.1.6 - He/she alone shall be responsible for the role of liaison with the administration of the Gateway National Recreation Area (Floyd Bennett Field) and any other such external organizations.
- 6.1.7 - He/she shall be empowered to co-sign such checks as necessary.
- 6.1.8 - No such commitment made by the president shall bind the corporation to any contract or agreement with, or any duty to any external organization or corporation shall be valid unless the membership shall grant prior approval or so ratify any such binding agreement, duty, or contract.
- 6.1.9 - He/she shall have authority to dispense or spend up to fifty dollars (\$50) of the corporation funds, monthly, (with no further approval) as he/she may see fit or deem necessary for the benefit of the organization. However, such funds may not be considered or used as remuneration.

Section 6.2 - Vice President

- 6.2.1 - The vice president shall be a member in good standing at least two years prior to his/her election.
- 6.2.2 - During any absence or disability of the president, the vice-president shall have all the powers and functions of the president.

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- 6.2.3 - The vice president shall perform such other duties as the executive board may prescribe.
- 6.2.4 - He/she shall be entitled to be informed of any and all pending business of the corporation as he/she shall request or require.

Section 6.3 - Treasurer

- 6.3.1 - The treasurer shall be a member in good standing for at least two years prior to his/her election.
- 6.3.2 - The treasurer shall have the care and custody of all funds and securities of the corporation and shall deposit said funds in the name of the corporation in such bank or trust company as the officers may elect.
- 6.3.3 - A ledger book shall be kept with entries made every month by the treasurer. This ledger will be brought to the membership meeting every month where it will be in full view to all members. A journal will also be kept for each and every month, showing all debits and credits. The journal and ledger shall start and end for the fiscal year.
- 6.3.4 - He/she shall sign and execute all contracts in the name of the corporation to be countersigned by the president or vice-president.
- 6.3.5 - He/she shall also sign all checks, drafts, notes and orders for the payment of money countersigned by the president or vice-president.
- 6.3.6 - He/she shall at all reasonable times, exhibit his/her books and accounts to any officer or member of the corporation upon application at any executive board or membership meeting.
- 6.3.7 - Audits of the accounts of the corporation shall be performed by committee twice a year. The first audit must be completed and its results presented at the July general meeting. The final audit for the current fiscal year must be presented no later than March of the following year.
- 6.3.8 - The Treasurer shall be responsible for issuing membership cards to all members. He/she is also responsible for reporting the status of new members, total member rolls and members who have not renewed at each general meeting.

Section 6.4 - Recording Secretary

- 6.4.1 - The Recording Secretary shall be a member in good standing for at least one year prior to his/her election.
- 6.4.2 - The Recording Secretary shall keep the minutes of all general membership and executive board meetings.
- 6.4.3 - He/she shall have the custody of the seal of the corporation and shall affix it to documents when duly authorized by the executive board.
- 6.4.4 - He/she shall attend to the giving and serving of all notices of the corporation and shall have charge of such books and papers as the board may direct.
- 6.4.5 - He/she shall be responsible for the proper maintenance of the charter and bylaws.

Section 6.5 - Corresponding Secretary

- 6.5.1 - The corresponding secretary shall be a member in good standing for at least one year prior to his/her election.

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- 6.5.2 - The corresponding secretary shall be responsible for all correspondence between the corporation and its membership, or any external persons or organization.
- 6.5.3 - He/she shall be responsible to maintain the corporation as a chartered club of the academy of model aeronautics.
- 6.5.4 - He/she shall keep a membership roll containing the names alphabetically arranged of all persons who are members of the corporation showing their places of residence and the time when they became members.
- 6.5.5 - Moved to section 6.3.8

Section 6.6 - Field Safety Officer

- 6.6.1 - The Field Safety Officer shall be a member in good standing for at least two years prior to his/her election.
- 6.6.2 - He/she shall be the chief administrative officer at the flying site whose primary responsibility and authority is for the conduct of the safe and orderly flight operations at the flying site.
- 6.6.3 - Any decision of the Field Safety Officer made in his/her official capacity may be reviewed only by a properly convened meeting of the executive board as described in Section 7.3 of this bylaw.
- 6.6.4 - He/she shall appoint one assistant field safety officer who shall have the same powers and duties as the elected "assistant field safety officer", except that he/she shall not be a voting member of the executive board.
- 6.6.5 - The field safety officer shall also appoint field controllers as he/she may find necessary to insure proper supervision of the flying site. Field controllers shall be appointed on the basis of their competency, experience, expertise, reliability and responsibility to maintain safety and order at the flying site and at the discretion of the chief field controller. Any member who has served one full term as President, Vice President, Treasurer, Field Safety Officer or Assistant Field Safety Officer shall retain the position of Field Controller in perpetuity.

Section 6.7 - Assistant Field Safety Officer(s)

- 6.7.1 - Both Assistant Chief Field Controllers shall perform such duties as assigned by the Field Safety Officer.
- 6.7.2 - One Assistant Field Safety Officer shall be elected by the membership.
 - 6.7.2.1 - He/she must be a member in good standing for at least one year prior to his/her election.
 - 6.7.2.2 - He/she shall serve as a voting member of the executive board.
 - 6.7.2.3 - In the absence of the Field Safety Officer, the elected Assistant Field Safety Officer shall prevail over the appointed Assistant Field Safety Officer.
- 6.7.3 - The Field Safety Officer shall appoint one assistant Field Safety Officer.
 - 6.7.3.1 - He/she must be a member in good standing for at least one year prior to such appointment.
 - 6.7.3.2 - He/she shall not serve as a voting member of the executive board.

Section 6.8 - Sergeants-At-Arms (2)

- 6.8.1 - Sergeants-at-arms must be members in good standing at least one year prior to their election.
- 6.8.2 - They shall be responsible for maintaining order and decorum at all meetings and functions of the organization. They shall be responsible for keeping all non-members and uninvited guests from the meeting chambers.
- 6.8.3 - They shall perform such other duties as the executive board may prescribe.

Section 6.9 - Editor-In-Chief

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- 6.9.1 - The executive board with the approval of the general membership shall designate the editor-in chief. He or she shall be a non-voting officer of the executive board.

Section 6.10 - Web Master

- 6.10.1 - A web master shall be appointed by the executive board and approved by a majority vote of the general membership.
- 6.10.2 - The web master shall be a PARCS member in good standing whose responsibilities include the review, maintenance, and update of the official club web site.
- 6.10.3 - The web master shall be appointed in January (or during the year if replacement becomes necessary).
- 6.10.4 - The web master shall be a non-voting officer of the executive board.

Article 7. MEETINGS

Section 7.1 - Meeting Types

- 7.1.1 - There are three distinct classes of meetings which are held on a regularly scheduled basis.
- General Membership Meetings
 - Executive Board Meetings
 - Annual Meetings

Section 7.2 - General Membership Meetings

- 7.2.1 - General Membership Meetings of the corporation shall be held on a regularly scheduled day during the second week of each month except Friday, Saturday or Sunday, and except that if the designated day is a legal holiday, or day of religious obligation. Then, in that event, the board shall designate a substitute day, well enough in advance for all members to be so notified. It shall be the responsibility of the Corresponding Secretary to notify all members. Alcoholic beverages, controlled substances or smoking shall not be allowed at any meeting of the organization.
- 7.2.2 - **Quorum**
- 7.2.2.1 - A quorum shall be defined as a minimum of 24 members (open and senior), including the executive board for the purpose of conducting business at a general meeting.
- 7.2.2.2 - Should a meeting fail to happen, the executive board must reschedule within three weeks.
- 7.2.3 - Only members in good standing and invited guests of the executive board shall be permitted to sit and attend any general membership meeting. Candidates with approved applications for membership shall be considered as having been invited by the board.
- 7.2.4 - The order of business at all meetings of members shall be as follows:
- Reading of the minutes of the last membership meeting
 - Treasurer's report
 - Reports of officers
 - Reports of committees
 - Old and unfinished business
 - New business
 - Good and welfare

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- Adjournment
- 7.2.5 - The business portion of the regular monthly meetings shall be limited to a period of not more than forty- five (45) minutes. This may be changed at that meeting by a majority of the members present
- 7.2.6 - Proxies
 - 7.2.6.1 - Every member entitled to vote at a meeting of members or to express consent or dissent may authorize another member to act for him/her by proxy.
 - 7.2.6.2 - That proxy must bear the notarized signature of the member authorizing the proxy and must be presented to a member of the executive board.
 - 7.2.6.3 - No proxy shall be valid after the date upon which it was intended to be exercised.
 - 7.2.6.4 - Every proxy shall be revocable at the pleasure of the member executing it at any time prior to the execution thereof.
- 7.2.7 - If, at any time during a meeting or during the period between meeting dates, a regularly scheduled meeting is disrupted or must be cancelled entirely due to unanticipated conditions or a situation that could not be predicted, including, but not limited to:
 - An act of God.
 - Inaccessibility of the meeting room.
 - Power failure or other breakdown.
 - The result of terrorist threat or activity.
 - Any condition that renders the meeting room unusable or unsuitable on the scheduled date.

It shall be the responsibility of the President of the Corporation, at his sole discretion and in consultation with his/her Vice President, to decide to:

- Seek to reschedule the meeting within the following thirty days with appropriate time allotted for the Corresponding Secretary to inform all members of the change of meeting date.
 - Cancel the meeting for that month and reschedule any and all business required by our bylaws for the next regularly scheduled meeting or as time and conditions will allow for the completion of this business as quickly and expeditiously as possible.
- 7.2.8 - Proposals
 - 7.2.8.1 - Motions: when the membership approves a motion, the executive board shall accept that motion as voted upon.
 - 7.2.8.2 - The board should not be empowered to discard, shelve or change any passed motion without the consent of the membership in attendance, unless that motion creates a safety issue, violates the bylaws, national park service rules, or local laws and ordinances.
 - 7.2.8.3 - Any motion voted on and passed shall be uncontested for the remainder of the year until one day following the annual meeting, at which time the motion can be voted on again.

Section 7.3 - Executive Meetings

- 7.3.1 - Any elected officer may convene a meeting of the executive board.
- 7.3.2 - With the exception of time of emergency, a majority of voting members of the executive board (5) shall constitute a quorum.
- 7.3.3 - No meeting of the executive board may be convened unless all officers shall have received no less than 72 hours notice of such meeting.

Section 7.4 - Annual Meeting

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- 7.4.1 - The annual meeting of the corporation shall be held in November each year, on the regularly scheduled meeting day, except that if such day is a legal holiday or religious obligation. Then in that event, the directors shall fix a day not more than two weeks from the day fixed by this bylaw.
- 7.4.2 - Removed.

Article 8. ELECTIONS

Section 8.1 - General

- 8.1.1 - Each officer shall be elected at the annual meeting for a term of 1 year (or until resignation or dismissal). Such a term shall commence on January 1st of the following year at which time all pertaining material relevant to the club shall be transferred to the newly elected officials.
- 8.1.2 - It shall be the responsibility of the outgoing board to see that the newly elected board shall be informed of all pending business of the corporation.
- 8.1.3 - If extenuating circumstances arise so that the normal election process is unable to follow the outlines of described bylaw, it is the responsibility of the President to reschedule said proceedings as timely as possible, so that elections may continue.
- 8.1.4 - Elections are to be carried out by secret ballot at the annual meeting. If all Executive Board positions run unopposed, a secret ballot is not warranted and bylaw changes shall be voted upon by hand count at the Annual Meeting. All Absentee Ballots will be tabulated with the hand count numbers for a final tally of the votes.

Section 8.2 - Nominations

- 8.2.1 - Nominations for officers shall be made by the membership one month prior to the annual meeting.
- 8.2.2 - Any member running for executive office must either be present to accept that nomination, or must submit a written request accepting that nomination if he/she cannot attend the October general membership meeting.

Section 8.3 - Nominees Address

- 8.3.1 - At the October meeting, nominees are permitted to address the membership for a period of not more than five minutes to express his/her reason for wanting to hold office. There shall be no rebuttal, or question/answer/ reply by the membership to any statement made by the nominee.

Section 8.4 - Election Committee

- 8.4.1 - At the meeting at which nominations are made, an election committee shall be appointed by the executive board.
- 8.4.2 - Such a committee shall be composed of no less than three members, none of whom may be a member of the executive board or a nominee for any office.
- 8.4.3 - It shall be the responsibility of the election committee to provide for the proper conduct of the election of the officers of the corporation

Section 8.5 - Election Procedures

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- 8.5.1 - The election committee shall make available to each Open & Senior Member in good standing, an absentee ballot containing a list of candidates and Bylaw amendments no later than one week following the Nomination meeting via club newsletter, club e-mail and club website. An absentee ballot shall only be provided when requested in writing to any member who cannot attend the Annual Meeting.
- 8.5.2 - Absentee ballots shall be returned to the election committee postmarked not later than one week prior to the annual meeting at which elections are to be conducted.
- 8.5.3 - The election committee shall poll the membership in attendance at the meeting and tabulate the absentee ballots.
- 8.5.4 - An absentee ballot must bear the name of the member voting and open to review by any member present
- 8.5.5 - All ballots shall be presented to the recording secretary, who shall confirm the final tally and publish the results in the club newsletter and club website.
- 8.5.6 - The election committee shall be disbanded at such time as it shall certify the results of the election as final.

Article 9. BYLAW AMENDMENTS

- Section 9.1 -** The members may amend bylaws once a year; at the time they are entitled to vote for officers of the corporation.
 - 9.1.1 - Bylaw submissions (both new and revised) will be made and reviewed one (1) month prior to the annual meeting. All proposed amendments to these Bylaws shall be subject to discussion and revision at the General Membership Meeting one month prior to the Annual Meeting at which the amendment shall be voted upon.
 - 9.1.2 - The bylaw may not be amended unless two-thirds of those members voting vote in favor of such amendment.

Article 10. CONSTITUTION

~~Section 10.1 - Conflicts~~

- 10.1.1 - If there is any conflict between this bylaw and the provisions of the articles of incorporation, then the provisions of the articles of incorporation shall govern and prevail.

Article 11. EXPULSION, IMPEACHMENT & SANCTIONS

- Section 11.1 -** Any member in good standing may bring charges against a member before the executive board with recommendation to suspend the member's club membership or expel him/her from the club. The executive board shall proceed as prescribed in section 11.5
- Section 11.2 - Sanctions**
 - 11.2.1 - Suspension of flying privileges or expulsion from the flying site;
 - The Chief Field Controller or his designate may expel a member from the field or suspend a member's flying privileges for up to seven (7) days, without prior review of the executive board

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- Any suspension of a member's flying privileges in excess of seven (7) days shall be reviewed by the executive board (at the next scheduled executive board meeting), which may vote to accept, modify or reject the sanction. Any member who is notified of a suspension over seven days due to his/her flying activities or conduct on the field shall be entitled to a hearing in person before the executive board prior to any punitive action being taken (see section 11.5).
 - 11.2.2 - Suspension of a member's club membership for a period not to exceed one (1) year (see section 11.5).
 - 11.2.3 - Suspension of a members right to attend General Membership Meetings will be imposed without prior review of the executive board as indicated below:
 - 11.2.3.1 - If, during the course of a regular general membership meeting a member engages in any activity, either physical or verbal that by its nature:
 - Creates a disturbance or disruption in the decorum of the meeting.
 - Fails to heed the directions of the sergeant at arms
 - Can be interpreted as threatening to any other member or guest present at the meeting
 - Can be interpreted as abusive behavior toward any member or guest present at the meeting
- Such member shall be immediately removed from the meeting and banned from attending the next three (3) general membership meetings following the incident. The club's corresponding secretary shall notify the offending member in writing within 7 days. Specified in this notice shall be the dates of those meetings he/she cannot attend.

Section 11.3 - Expulsion process:

- 11.3.1 - In order to initiate the expulsion process, the executive board shall review the facts and issues presented to them at the next executive board meeting. It shall require a majority vote of the executive board to continue the expulsion process.
- 11.3.2 - Once the executive board has moved to continue the process, the individual being charged with the offense shall be notified in writing by the corresponding secretary of the particulars of his/her situation.
- 11.3.3 - A minimum of seven (7) days after written notification has been made to all interested parties, a special executive board session shall be convened in order to afford both sides the opportunity to present and argue their points of view before the board. The absence of either party or their representatives shall not constitute a reason for delaying the proceedings.
- 11.3.4 - After all the parties have had ample opportunity to state their point of view, the executive board will again vote. It shall require an affirmative vote by majority of the executive board to continue the process and bring the charges before the general membership.
- 11.3.5 - At the next general meeting, all charges shall be read and the member being considered for expulsion shall be given ample opportunity to defend his position before the membership.
- 11.3.6 - Following all statements of fact and arguments, a vote shall be taken. Expulsion shall take place when at least 75% of the membership present has voted to expel

Section 11.4 - Impeachment

- 11.4.1 - Any officer of the corporation can be removed from office upon impeachment for gross breach of duty.

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- 11.4.1.1 - A petition demanding impeachment and stating all charges and bearing not less than (20) twenty signatures of members in good standing shall be presented to the membership at a general meeting, which by (2/3) two thirds vote of the members voting and present at a membership meeting may approve such a petition and call for such impeachment.
- 11.4.1.2 - If the membership shall vote to impeach, a committee of (3) three members shall be elected by the membership to investigate all charges and report findings of fact at the next general meeting.
- 11.4.1.3 - The impeached officer shall answer such findings, at that meeting, whereupon the membership by a vote of (3/4) three-fourths of those members present and voting may vote to remove.
- 11.4.1.4 - Upon conviction, the offending officer shall be removed immediately.
- 11.4.1.5 - The executive board shall nominate a replacement. This replacement must be approved by a majority of members present and voting. The replacement will serve out the remainder of the removed officer's term.

Section 11.5 - Notice of Action, Fixing Record Date

- 11.5.1 - If a member is to be brought up on charges to the executive board as result of allegations made against him/her, he /she must be notified in a timely fashion so that he/she may be present and permitted to face the accuser and to participate in his/her own defense. If the executive board finds the accused guilty, the accused may request an appeal to the membership to reverse the board's finding of guilt and/or punishment. A vote in favor of reversing the board's findings requires a majority vote of the members in good standing at a regularly scheduled membership meeting. Notice of a vote on appeal must appear in a meeting notice for meetings at which the appeal is scheduled to take place. All records pertaining to the charges and the executive board's actions and recommendations in reaction to the charges filed, shall become a permanent part of our club minutes. These records must itemize all charges, pertinent details, the names of the accusers and witnesses, and be available to an accused member to use in his or her defense.
- 11.5.2 - For the purpose of fixing a "record date" for the members who are entitled to receive a notice of action, or are entitled to vote at a specially convened meeting, or to adjourn the above mentioned; a "record date" shall be decided in advance by the board. This date for any such determination shall not be more than fifty, nor less than ten days before any such meeting, or more than fifty days prior to any such action.

Article 12. FIELD RULES

Section 12.1 - General

- 12.1.1 - All field rules with the exception of those imposed by the Academy of Model Aeronautics and/or the administration of the Gateway National Recreation Area shall be determined by the executive board and presented to the membership (at a general meeting) for approval by majority vote.
- 12.1.2 - The Field Safety Officer shall enforce all applicable field rules.
- 12.1.3 - Any member violating field rules may be subject to sanctions imposed by the chief field controller or if he/she shall be absent from the flying site, by any field controller.

Article 13. COMMUNICATIONS

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Section 13.1 - The newsletter/editor-in-chief

- 13.1.1 - "Antenna" shall be the official communiqué of the organization, and as such is the property of the Pennsylvania Avenue Radio Control Society, Inc.
- 13.1.2 - Any member in good standing may contribute it to, however, it shall be apolitical and no member shall use the "Antenna" for his/her/their own personal goals within the organization.
- 13.1.3 - Further, all columns, articles and matters submitted for print may be subject to review and approval by the executive board prior to publication.

Article 14. RALLYS AND EVENTS

Section 14.1 - A committee must be appointed for each event to take place at PARCS.

- 14.1.1 - The committee shall be comprised of no less than three (3) people.
- 14.1.2 - The committee is responsible to oversee all aspects of their event, including food, prizes, etc.
- 14.1.3 - The committee chairman or his/her designate shall give a monthly report of the committee activities at each regular (general membership) meeting.
- 14.1.4 - Once the membership has voted in an event, by majority rules, they will abide, without question, to all rules and regulations as set forth by the person or persons running the event as long as it does not violate any of the PARCS bylaws or field rules.