

Article 1

CLUB NAME

Section 1.

A. This club will be known as the 'Yuma Aeromodelers as used hereafter "Club" shall mean Yuma Aeromodelers.

B. All references hereafter to "AMA" shall mean Academy of Model Aeronautics.

Article II

Purpose and Goals

Section 1.

This Club is a non-profit organization, established to provide interest and enjoyment to members and the community from the hobby of building and operating models according to the by-laws of the constitution.

Section 2.

A. To promote the study of building and flying of model aircraft.

B. To provide a flying site for club members and guests.

C. To provide safe modeling and flying habits.

Article III

Member Definition

Section 1.

There shall be three types of memberships defined as follows:

A. Senior member shall be a dues paying member in good standing of the AMA. The senior member shall be 18 years of age or older.

B. Junior members shall be under the age of 18 years of age. Junior members are required to be members in good standing of the AMA. Junior members shall have no voting rights.

C. Associate member is not required to be a member of the AMA, but are required to pay the same dues as a Senior member. Associate member shall have no flying or voting rights.

Section 2.

Any member who fails to provide proof of AMA membership shall be automatically reclassified as an associate member. If the said member is an elected officer, he shall forfeit that office and be replaced by an alternate member to be appointed by the Executive Board (this is a requirement of the AMA Charter).

Section 3.

No membership shall be denied because of or due to race, color, religion, or national origin.

Article 1V

Government

Section 1.

The Club shall be governed by the Executive Board (herein known as the "Board")

Section 2.

The Board shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Safety Officer. The Board needs a minimum of 3 members at all times. One member can serve in multiple positions as long as there is always 3 adult members.

Section 3.

The voting members shall elect officers for a one-year term of office.

Section 4.

Officers shall be current members of the AMA.

Section 5.

Term of office for elected officers shall begin January 1st and end December 31st.

Section 6.

Elections shall be held during the December monthly meeting of the membership with nominations being accepted at the prior meeting.

Section 7.

A member of the Board who ceases to hold current membership status in the Club shall automatically cease to be a member of the Board. Another member in good standing may at the discretion of the Board, replace any member of the Board who fails to attend three consecutive meetings.

Article V

Executive Board

Section 1.

Consistent with these by-laws, the Executive Board shall:

A. Make recommendations for the transaction of Club business and the authorization of expenditures for capital improvements approved by the general membership. Make recommendations for the formation of and amendments to rules and regulations for the use of Club facilities and property. It may appoint and remove such clerks, agents, servants and may fix their duties.

B. Transact all Club business as directed by the membership.

C. Fill any vacancy in the Board. Such person chosen to fill said vacancy shall serve, subject to the approval of a majority of members present at the next regular Club meeting, until replaced or re-elected at the next December elections.

Section 2.

The Board may hold meetings as deemed necessary.

Section 3.

A majority of the Board members shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of transacting business. If a member of the Board is serving in multiple positions, that member only counts as 1 Board member for any voting and/or business conducted by the Board or general membership.

Section 4.

Any member of the Board may be removed from office by a majority vote of members present at a special meeting of the membership called for this purpose.

Section 5.

In the event that a condition should arise which would place Article II in Jeopardy, thereby requiring prompt action be taken, the Board shall be empowered to act for the good of the Club without prior discussion or approval from the membership in general.

Article VI

Meeting

Section 1.

The regularly scheduled meeting in December shall be considered the Annual Club Meeting for the purpose of electing Board members and any other annual business.

Section 2.

Special meetings of the membership may be called by the Board when deemed appropriate.

Section 3.

Notice of special meetings shall be given by e-mail to the members at least ten (10) days prior thereto. During the summer season(May - September) the board at its discretion may use e-mail to vote on pending matters before the club. Such notice shall state the purpose said meeting is called and no other business shall be transacted.

Section 4.

Each Senior member present at any meeting is allowed one (1) vote.

Section 5.

When, according to the by-laws, written notice is required to members, the e-mailing of such notices to the last known e-mail address of members shall constitute notice.

Article VII

Officers

Section 1.

A. The officers of the club shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Safety Officer and shall be elected by the membership at the annual Club meeting.

B. Nominations shall be accepted at both the November meeting and the annual meeting in December.

C. In the event that more than one nomination is received, and a clear majority is not established by voice vote, a roll call vote will be required to determine a winner.

Section 2.

The President shall preside at the regular meetings of the membership and at the meetings of the Board. He shall be the administrative officer of the Club. He shall appoint, subject to confirmation by the Board, all standing committees, special committees, designating the chairman thereof. He shall be, ex-officio, a member of all committees.

Section 3.

The Vice President, in absence of the president shall act in his stead. He shall under the direction of the President, attend to the business and financial Operations of the Club and shall be the chairman of the Finance committee. He shall be, ex-officio, a member of all committees.

Section 4.

The Secretary shall send out all notices of the Club and of the Board. Keep the minutes of meetings and attend to the correspondence pertaining to his office. He shall perform such other duties pertaining to his office as may be asked of him by the Board. He shall be ex-officio, a member of all committees.

Section 5.

The Treasurer shall attend to keeping the accounts of the Club, collecting revenues, and paying it's bills as approved by the Board. He shall deposit funds of the Club in such depository as may be authorized by the Board. He shall perform such other duties pertaining to his office as may be asked of him by the Board. He shall be, ex-officio, a member of all committee. He shall be ex-officio, a member of all committees.

Section 6.

The Safety Officer shall be responsible for all safety related issues including but not limited to making safety recommendations, creating safety rules and discussing safety issues with the membership.

Section 7.

Any officer can assume duties assigned to other officers when necessary.

Article VIII

Dues and Support

Section 1.

A. The Club shall be financially supported by payment of yearly dues and such activities and assessments as the membership shall deem advisable and desirable.

B. Annual dues shall be established based on a budget presented to the club membership at the annual meeting. The budget will designate all approved expenditures for the year and as well as dues to be collected for membership, late, initiation or other fees, assessments and multi year dues prepayments.

C. If the Club does have an initiation fee, that fee can only be collected once per member per lifetime.

D. Donation to the Club of \$1500.00 or more by any member shall earn said member the designation of "LIFETIME MEMBER", thereby eliminating the requirement of paying the annual dues. Members so designated will still be required to maintain their membership in AMA.

E. All fees shall be payable in United States legal tender.

Section 2.

At no time shall the Club be allowed to go into debt.

Article IX

Grievance Board

Section 1.

Formation of Grievance Board.

A. A minimum of two Club officers and one Senior member of the Club shall constitute a board that will handle grievances and disciplinary actions. An independent board shall be appointed by the President of the Club if needed for each grievance.

Section 2.

Powers of Grievance Board.

A. The member under question shall be notified five (5) working days in advance of said meeting of Grievance Board and shall be asked to present his case in writing to the Board. It will be the responsibility of the member under question to e-mail or deliver his written response to a Club officer. The member in question shall NOT attend the Board meeting unless the member is granted permission by said Board.

B. The Grievance Board if it sees fit has the power to suspend a members flying privilege and/or remove a member from the club if it feels it to be necessary. The member has the right to an appeal in front of the general membership at the next general membership meeting if they choose. A two thirds (2/3) vote of the members present shall be required to uphold the Grievance Boards decision. No monies shall be refunded if the member is removed.

Section 3.

Warnings.

A. The purpose of an official warning is to serve notice to the offending Member that he or she is subject to punitive actions as defined in Article X Section 1 of the Club by-laws.

B. A warning shall consist of verbal or written warning of cease and desist for any action or actions that violate Club and/or AMA rules and regulations. Only a Club Officer shall make official warnings. The said Club Officer has the discretion of making a warning official or unofficial.

C. The number of official warnings required, before action by the Grievance Board, shall be determined by the severity of the actions committed by the member in

question. The Club President and/or the Club safety officer shall make this determination.

Article X

Pilot Qualifications

Section 1.

All pilots are required to be familiar with and adhere to Club Safety rules and regulations.

Section 2.

The President may appoint and/or terminate instructor Pilots.

Article XI

Miscellaneous

Section 1.

A. Each person who serves on the Board shall be indemnified by the Club against expenses actually and necessarily incurred by him in connection with the defense of any action, suit, or proceeding in which he is made a party by reason of his being or having been a member of the Board or Officer of the Club except in relation to matters as to which he shall be adjudged in such action, suit or proceeding to be liable for gross negligence or willful misconduct in the performance of his duties.

B. The right of indemnification provided herein shall inure to each Board member and Officer referred to in "A", whether or not he is such Board member or officer at the time such cost or expenses are imposed or incurred, and in the event of his death shall extend to his legal representatives.

Section 2.

Roberts Rules of Order are hereby adopted except as expressly amended by these by-laws.

Section 3.

There shall be NO alcoholic beverages allowed on Club controlled Property.

Section 4.

A. Senior members only will be granted the privileges of having guests that shall be allowed to fly three days for each individual guest in a calendar year. All guest fliers are required to hold a current AMA membership.

B. A Senior member may petition the Club President to increase this number of days for special circumstances. The Club President has the power to grant or deny said petition.

C. The above (number of days) restriction does not apply to guests who are invited to fly at Club sponsored and or AMA sanctioned events.

Article XII

Amendments

Section 1.

Proposed amendments to these by-laws must be presented at a regular meeting of the Club, posted for all to see on the club website, notice given by e-mail to all members in good standing, then voted on at the next regular meeting A two-thirds majority vote of active members present at said meeting or voted via e-mail shall be required for these amendments to pass.