

# **SULLIVAN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS**

## **PREAMBLE**

We, the members, wishing to secure for ourselves, the pleasures and benefits of the association of persons commonly interested in amateur radio, do hereby constitute ourselves the "Sullivan Amateur Radio Club" and do enact this constitution as our governing law. It shall be our purpose to facilitate the exchange of information and general cooperation between members, to promote radio knowledge, fraternalism and individual operating efficiency, and to advance the general interest and welfare of amateur radio in the general community.

## **ARTICLE I MEMBERSHIP**

**SECTION 1.** All persons interested in amateur radio shall be welcomed and afforded an opportunity to become a member of the club. This includes payment of dues and providing the necessary data for the club roster.

## **ARTICLE II OFFICERS**

**SECTION 1.** The officers of the club shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The Board of Directors shall consist of three members.

**SECTION 2.** The officers of the club shall be elected for a term of one year, except that board members shall hold office for three years. Election shall be held in the month of August during a normal business meeting.

**SECTION 3.** Vacancies, between normal elections, within the club officers and/or Board of Directors must be filled by special ballot, at the first regular meeting after which the withdrawal or resignation has been announced.

**SECTION 4.** Officers may be removed by a three-fourths vote of the membership, provided all members have been notified by mail of the intent to remove such officer. Cause may be based upon actions that conflict with the Preamble of this document as well as Article's V and VIII.

## **ARTICLE III DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS**

**SECTION 1.** The president shall preside at all meetings of this club, and conduct the same according to the rules adopted. He shall enforce due observance of this constitution and by-laws, decide all questions of order, sign all official documents that are adopted by the club, and perform all customary duties pertaining to the office of president.

**SECTION 2.** The Vice-President shall assume all the duties of the president in the absence of the latter, and shall also maintain an updated list of club equipment and who is storing it where.

**SECTION 3.** The secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings, keep a roll of members, and submit applications for membership. The Secretary shall, and the expiration of term, turn over everything held in their possession belonging to the club, to their successor.

**SECTION 4.** The Treasurer shall receive and receipt all monies received and expended, paying no bills without authorization from the club or its officers constituting a business committee. The Treasurer will keep the club roster of paid up members. At the end of each quarter the Treasurer shall submit an itemized statement of disbursements and receipts. The Treasurer at the expiration of their term shall turn over all club funds, materials, etc. to their successor.

**SECTION 5.** The Board of Directors shall take under advisement all executive matters pertaining to the club and its betterment and shall make recommendations on these matters to the membership for their final action.

#### **ARTICLE IV MEETINGS**

**SECTION 1.** The by-laws shall provide for regular and special meetings. At meetings, 30% of the membership shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Special Meetings require written notification of the membership of the date and time of the meeting. This notification must also contain the reason for the meeting being scheduled. At a Special Meetings a quorum will constitute the membership in attendance.

#### **ARTICLE V DUES**

**SECTION 1.** The Sullivan Amateur Radio Club general membership dues are \$24.00 annual or \$2.00 monthly. Family membership are one general membership (\$24) plus 1/2 general membership (\$12.00) for each additional member. Non-payment of dues without specific cause for a period of six months shall be reason to drop the individual from the club roster. Members may be reinstated by payment of necessary dues. (See Article 1).

#### **ARTICLE VI MEMBERSHIP ASSISTANCE**

**SECTION 1.** This club shall provide appropriate rules to minimize interference in operation between stations of its members. It shall plan to investigate and make disposition of any cause of interference of other radio services where reported as caused by members. The club, through its membership, shall provide technical advice concerning equipment design and operation to assist in frequency observance, clean signals, uniform practice and absence of spurious radiations from club member stations. The club shall also maintain a program to foster and guide public relations in those channels favorable to amateur radio operation.

## **ARTICLE VII AMENDMENTS**

**SECTION 1.** This constitution or bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the total membership. Proposals for amendments shall be submitted in writing at a regular meeting and shall be voted on the next following regular meeting, provided all members have been notified by mail of the intent to amend the constitution and/or bylaws at said meeting.

## **ARTICLE VIII**

### **TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP**

**SECTION 1.** Should any member be absent from six consecutive meetings or not pay their dues for six consecutive months that member may be dropped from the roster of membership at the discretion of the membership. Delinquent members shall be notified by the secretary of their status at least one month prior to any action being taken. Once dropped, a delinquent member may reapply for membership as provided in Article 1.

## **ARTICLE IX RULES**

**SECTION 1.** The latest edition of Robert's Rules shall govern proceedings.