

**CONSTITUTION**  
OF THE  
**WARRENSBURG AREA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB INC.**

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**ARTICLE I -- TITLE & PURPOSE**

**Section 1.**

This body shall be known as the *Warrensburg Area Amateur Radio Club, Inc.*, hereinafter called *WAARCI*.

**Section 2.**

The purpose of *WAARCI* is to actively promote Amateur Radio as a public service within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

**Section 3.**

The *WAARCI* will make a positive contribution by promoting and encouraging participation in activities which: 1) enhance the value of the amateur service to the community and country, particularly with respect to providing emergency communications; 2) advance amateur radio operators skills in both the communications and technical phases of the radio art; 3) expand the existing reservoir within the amateur radio service of trained operators, technicians, and electronics experts; and 4) contribute to the amateur radio operators unique ability to enhance international good will.

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**ARTICLE II -- OFFICERS & GOVERNING BODY**

**Section 1.**

The *WAARCI* will elect four officers: president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer. The president shall be generally responsible for insuring that the *WAARCI* business and finances are managed responsibly. The vice president shall generally be responsible for filling in for the president during absences. The secretary shall generally be responsible for recording the activities of the *WAARCI*. The treasurer shall generally be responsible for accounting for all assets of the *WAARCI* and seeing that all liabilities are satisfied.

**Section 2.**

All elected officers of the *WAARCI* together shall comprise an executive board, which will be responsible for governing the *WAARCI*. The president may establish committees to perform special functions.

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## **ARTICLE III -- MEMBERSHIP**

### **Section 1.**

All persons interested in amateur radio shall be eligible for membership. Members whose dues are paid will be considered members in good standing.

### **Section 2. CLASSES OF MEMBERS:**

- A. FULL MEMBERSHIP: Members of the *WAARC/* who regularly pay dues and are licensed amateur radio operators.
- B. ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP: Members of the *WAARC/* who regularly pay dues and are not licensed amateur radio operators.
- C. LIFE MEMBERSHIP: Members of the *WAARC/* who have paid *WAARC/* Life Membership Fees.
- D. HONORARY MEMBERSHIP: Members of the *WAARC/* who by two-thirds vote of the full members present at a General Membership meeting have been deemed to have earned honorary status by virtue of their exceptional actions toward the Amateur Radio Service and/or the community.

### **Section 3. TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP**

Any *WAARC/* member may terminate their membership at any time.

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## **ARTICLE IV -- ACTIVITIES**

### **Section 1. TYPES OF ACTIVITIES**

The *WAARC/* will encourage activities that promote interest in Amateur Radio as a public service and engage in activities of general interest to Amateur Radio operators. The *WAARC/* will sponsor activities including but not limited to, technical discussions, demonstrations, hamfests, trips for radio operating purposes, operation and maintenance of electronic equipment related to Amateur Radio. Other *WAARC/* activities shall consist of worldwide person-to-person radio contacts to enhance international good will. *WAARC/* members will provide training in electronics, radio theory and practices to persons interested in obtaining their FCC Amateur Radio license and sponsor FCC sanctioned amateur radio examinations.

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**ARTICLE V -- MEETINGS AND QUORUMS**

**Section 1. MEETINGS**

A. GENERAL MEMBERSHIP meetings of the *WAARCI* will normally be held on a monthly basis. Regular business of the *WAARCI* will be conducted at this meeting.

B. SPECIAL BUSINESS meetings of the *WAARCI* may be called by the president upon reasonable notice to the membership of the times and purposes of such meetings. Business at a special meeting will be restricted to only that business serving the purposes for which the meeting was called.

C. EXECUTIVE BOARD meetings will be held at the discretion of the president upon reasonable notice to the board members as to the time and place of the meetings. The executive board meeting should normally be held one week before the general membership meeting.

**Section 2. DATE, TIME, AND LOCATION OF MEETINGS**

The date, time, and location of each meeting will be announced on the *WAARCI* net, website, and/or email. The date, time, and location of the meeting can be changed as long as reasonable notice is given to the membership.

**Section 3. ATTENDANCE**

General Membership meetings are open to all members, guests, and visitors.

**Section 4. QUORUMS**

A. A quorum is required before any official *WAARCI* business can be conducted or transacted at any meeting.

B. A GENERAL MEMBERSHIP meeting QUORUM will consist of ten percent of the total Full Membership, at least two of which must be executive board members and one of the two board members must be either the President or the Vice President.

C. A SPECIAL BUSINESS meeting QUORUM will consist of ten percent of the total Full Membership, at least two of which must be executive board members and one of the two board members must be either the President or the Vice President.

D. An EXECUTIVE BOARD meeting QUORUM will consist of at least two executive board members and one of the two board members must be either the President or the Vice President.

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## ARTICLE VI -- RULES

### Section 1.

*Robert's Rules of Order* shall govern all proceedings.

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## ARTICLE VII -- ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS

### Section 1. ACCEPTANCE OF THE CONSTITUTION

The provisions of this Constitution and By-Laws were adopted by a majority vote of the *WAARCI* at the General Membership meeting held on December 12, 2009.

### Section 2. CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION

The provisions of this Constitution or its By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the Full Members present at any general membership meeting as long as the proposed changes have been duly advertised to the general membership at least one month in advance.

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## ARTICLE VIII -- DISSOLUTION

### Section 1. GENERAL DISSOLUTION PROVISIONS

- A. Dissolution of the *WAARCI* will be accomplished by the initiative of the members. *WAARCI* shall be dissolved only after:
- 1) a motion to dissolve *WAARCI* has been made, discussed, and seconded at a regularly scheduled General Membership meeting, and
  - 2) notice of said motion for dissolution of *WAARCI* is announced via regularly scheduled radio net, if any, and distributed to the *WAARCI* Membership by first class mail and any other written instrument(s) available at that time (i.e., newsletter, web site, e-mail, etc.), at least one month prior to a regularly scheduled General Membership meeting, and
  - 3) approval of the motion to dissolve the *WAARCI* by at least two-thirds of the Full Members present at a regularly scheduled General Membership meeting, at least one month following notification of the motion for dissolution of *WAARCI*.
- B. Upon dissolution of the *WAARCI*, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all the assets of the *WAARCI* exclusively for the purposes of the *WAARCI* in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an

exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

- C. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Circuit Court of the county in which the principal office of the *WAARCI* is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as Said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

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**ARTICLE IX -- INSURANCE**

**Section 1. LIABILITY**

*WAARCI* will maintain liability insurance.

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**REVIEW AND APPROVAL:**

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**President, *WAARCI***  
**Stephen Sisco**

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**Treasurer, *WAARCI***  
**Katie Paultz**

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**Vice President, *WAARCI***  
**Gary Montemarano**

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**Secretary, *WAARCI***  
**Sheri Sisco**

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**December 31, 2009**  
**Amended Date**