

BEAVER VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, INC.
INCORPORATED 1954
BEAVER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

W3SGJ

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
AMENDED OCTOBER 13, 2011

ARTICLE ONE: ORGANIZATION

- A. NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION: THE NAME OF THIS ORGANIZATION SHALL BE "BEAVER VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, INC." (B.V.A.R.A.)
- B. BRIEF HISTORY: IN THE EARLY TWENTIES, (1922 OR 1923) A GROUP OF RADIO AMATEURS BANDED TOGETHER AND FOUNDED THE "BEAVER VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB". IN THOSE DAYS, VERY LITTLE TECHNICAL INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE SO THE AMATEURS GATHERED PRINCIPALLY TO EXCHANGE IDEAS AND OPINIONS CONCERNING AMATEUR RADIO.

ABOUT THE MIDDLE OF 1934, ANOTHER GROUP FORMED THE "BEAVER FALLS RADIO CLUB". NO ACTUAL RECORDS WERE KEPT, BUT, FROM TRADITION WE HAVE IT THAT THE SAME PIONEER SPIRIT PREVAILED BOTH CLUBS PROGRESSED UNTIL IN DECEMBER OF 1941 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PROHIBITED AMATEUR RADIO FOR THE DURATION OF WORLD WAR TWO.

IN 1947 WHEN AMATEUR RADIO ACTIVITIES RESUMED, THESE TWO CLUBS JOINED TOGETHER AND FORMED WHAT TODAY IS KNOWN AS "THE BEAVER VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, INC."

AGAIN WE SEE AMATEUR RADIO PROGRESSING AND KEEPING PACE WITH OTHER ARTS AND SCIENCES, BECAUSE, SINCE AMATEUR RADIO IS CONSIDERED A HOBBY, YET FROM IT'S BEGINNING, TO THE PRESENT, IT'S RANKS HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO THE "WAR EFFORT" THROUGH COMMUNICATIONS ENGINEERING, AND ELECTRONICS.

IN 1954 THE ORGANIZATION WAS INCORPORATED AS A NON-PROFIT SCIENTIFIC ASSOCIATION.

ON JUNE 5TH 1954 THE CLUB WAS ISSUED THE CALL-SIGN "W3SGJ" IN MEMORY OF FORMER BVARA MEMBER THOMAS W. RONEY.

ON OCTOBER 3RD 1982 THE ORGANIZATION PLACED INTO OPERATION A TWO-METER REPEATER SYSTEM WITH AN EXCELLENT COVERAGE AREA INCLUDING WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA, EASTERN OHIO, NORTHERN WEST VIRGINIA, AND WITH THE CALL SIGN OF “W3SGJ/R”.

IN DECEMBER OF 1982 THE CLUB WAS PRESENTED WITH A SPECIAL CHARTER FROM THE AMERICAN RADIO RELAY LEAGUE (ARRL), THE NATIONAL NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION FOR RADIO AMATEURS, FOR BEING AN AFFILIATE OF THAT ORGANIZATION FOR FIFTY CONTINUOUS YEARS.

- C. DETAILS OF INCORPORATION: TODAY THIS ORGANIZATION, HAVING BEEN INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE COMMON WEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA AS A NON-PROFITABLE CORPORATION ON 3 DECEMBER 1954, IS STILL PIONEERING, SHARING, LEARNING, AND TEACHING AMATEUR RADIO.

ARTICLE TWO: PURPOSE

- A. THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THIS ORGANIZATION SHALL BE THE PROMOTION OF INTEREST IN AMATEUR RADIO COMMUNICATION, EXPERIMENTATION, AND EDUCATION.
- B. TO PROVIDE FOR DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION AMONG IT'S MEMBERS CONCERNING SCIENTIFIC ADVANCEMENT AND PROGRAMS IN THE FIELD OF RADIO COMMUNICATION.
- C. TO ENCOURAGE AND SPONSOR EXPERIMENTAL ACTIVITIES IN RADIO COMMUNICATION, ELECTRONICS, AND COMPUTER SCIENCE TO THE END THAT SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE GAINED IN AMATEUR RADIO WILL FURTHER THE APPLICATION OF ELECTRONICS TO THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC AT LARGE.
- D. TO PROMOTE INTEREST AND ASSISTANCE IN ANY PUBLIC SERVICE AND/OR LOCAL, STATE, OR NATIONAL CIVIL DEFENSE PROGRAM.
- E. TO ORGANIZE AND TRAIN UNITS OF LICENSED RADIO AMATEURS CAPABLE OF MAINTAINING RADIO COMMUNICATIONS, AS A PUBLIC SERVICE DURING TIMES OF EMERGENCY.
- F. TO RENDER ASSISTANCE TO THOSE B.C.I. AND T.V.I. PROBLEMS.

- G. TO PROMOTE THE ELEVATION OF STANDARDS OF PRACTICE AND ETHICS IN THE CONDUCT OF AMATEUR RADIO COMMUNICATION.

ARTICLE THREE: MEMBERSHIP

- A. ANY PERSON GENUINELY INTERESTED IN AMATEUR RADIO SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR AN ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP. (NO VOTING PRIVILEGES)
- B. ANY PERSON DESIRING FULL MEMBERSHIP IN THE ASSOCIATION MUST BE IN POSSESSION OF A VALID AND CURRENT FCC AMATEUR RADIO LICENSE IN GOOD STANDING.
- C. ANY B.V.A.R.A. MEMBER SERVING WITH THE ARMED SERVICES SHALL BE CONSIDERED MEMBERS WHILE ON THEIR TOUR OF DUTY.
- D. HONORARY MEMBER SHALL BE EXTENDED TO ANY ACTIVE AND PAID UP MEMBER WHO RETIRES AND MOVES FROM THE AREA.
- E. LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP SHALL BE EXTENDED UNDER THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES:
 - 1) TO ANY MEMBER RENDERING AN UNUSUAL SERVICE TO THE CLUB WITH THE VOTED APPROVAL OF MEMBERSHIP.
 - 2) TO ANY MEMBER WHO HAS BEEN LICENSED FOR 50 YEARS.
 - 3) TO ANY MEMBER UPON THE VOTED APPROVAL OF THE MEMBERSHIP FOR ANY DEMONSTRATION OF SUCH ACTION.

ARTICLE FOUR: DUES

- A. YEARLY DUES SHALL BE TWENTY DOLLARS (\$20) FOR REGULAR MEMBERSHIP, FIFTEEN DOLLARS (\$15) FOR STUDENTS, TEN DOLLARS (\$10) FOR ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP, AND FIVE DOLLARS (\$5) FOR FAMILY MEMBERS LIVING IN THE SAME HOUSEHOLD UNDER THE AGE OF TWENTY ONE (21).
- B. ANY B.V.A.R.A. MEMBER ON ACTIVE DUTY IN THE ARMED FORCES, MEMBERSHIP SHALL BE GRATIS.

- C. ALL DUES SHALL BE PAID TO THE SECRETARY OF THE ORGANIZATION.
- D. ANY B.V.A.R.A. MEMBER WHO FAILS TO PAY DUES BY FEBRUARY 1ST SHALL BE NOTIFIED BY THE SECRETARY AND DROPPED FROM THE MEMBERSHIP ROLLS UNLESS APPROPRIATE ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE WITH THE SECRETARY.

ARTICLE FIVE: OFFICERS

- A. ALL BALLOTING SHALL BE CONDUCTED AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING.
- B. OFFICERS OF THE ORGANIZATION SHALL BE FULL MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING: PRESIDENT, 1ST VICE PRESIDENT, 2ND VICE PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, AND TREASURER.
- C. OFFICERS SHALL BE ELECTED BY SECRET BALLOT AND SERVE FOR ONE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1ST.
- D. AT THE AUGUST MEETING, THE PRESIDENT SHALL APPOINT A NOMINATING COMMITTEE OF THREE MEMBERS TO PREPARE A SLATE AS STATED IN "B" OF THIS ARTICLE. ALL NOMINEES PRESENTED BY THIS COMMITTEE SHALL HAVE BEEN CONTACTED AND EXPRESSED A WILLINGNESS TO SERVE AS AN OFFICER IF ELECTED. AFTER THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE PRESENTS ITS SLATE AT THE OCTOBER MEETING, ANY PRESENT MEMBER MAY PLACE IN NOMINATION ANY QUALIFIED B.V.A.R.A. MEMBER PRESENT AND IN GOOD STANDING TO SERVE AS AN OFFICER OF THE ORGANIZATION.
- E. ANY B.V.A.R.A. FULL MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING WHO IS UNABLE TO ATTEND THE NOVEMBER MEETING CAN VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT (ABBA). THIS ABSENTEE BALLOT MUST BE IN THE POSSESSION OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING. THE BALLOT MUST BE IN A SEALED ENVELOPE AND FOLDED IN SUCH A MANNER THAT WHEN THE ENVELOPE IS OPENED, CANNOT BE READ. THE ENVELOPE MUST BE MARKED "ABBA" AND HAVE THE NAME OF THE VOTER MARKED ON THE ENVELOPE. BEFORE ANY VOTING TAKES PLACE, THE TELLERS ARE APPOINTED AND THE SECRETARY WILL GIVE THESE BALLOTS TO THE TREASURER WHO WILL QUALIFY OR REJECT EACH BALLOT ACCORDING TO THE ABSENTEE MEMBERS' DUES RECORD. THE BALLOTS ARE THEN RETURNED TO THE SECRETARY WHO

WILL OPEN THE ENVELOPE AND GIVE THE BALLOT TO THE TELLERS AND THEN DESTROY THE ENVELOPE. THIS SHOULD KEEP THE BALLOT A SECRET. ABOUT THIS TIME, ATTENDING MEMBERSHIP BALLOTING SHOULD BE COMPLETED. THE "ABBA" VOTES CAN NOW BE TALLIED AND ADDED, FOLLOWED BY THE TELLERS ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE RESULTS.

F. VACANCIES OCCURING DURING THE YEAR SHALL BE FILLED BY APPOINTMENT OF THE PRESIDENT FOR THE UNEXPIRED TERM.

G. DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS:

- 1) PRESIDENT: PRESIDES AT ALL MEETINGS OF THE ASSOCIATION AND EXECUTIVE BOARD. SUPERVISES ALL WORK OF THE ORGANIZATION. SECURES A MONTHLY MEETING PLACE FOR THE ASSOCIATION.
- 2) 1ST VICE PRESIDENT: SHALL SUCCEED THE PRESIDENT IN CASE OF PERMANENT ABSENCE FOR THE UNEXPIRED TERM. MAY ALSO PERFORM THE DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT UPON HIS TEMPORARY ABSENCE.
- 3) 2ND VICE PRESIDENT: MAY PERFORM THE DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT UPON HIS TEMPORARY ABSENCE. SHALL PERFORM THE DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY OR TREASURER IN THEIR ABSENCE AT A MEETING BEFORE ASKING FOR VOLUNTEERS FROM THE MEMBERSHIP.
- 4) SECRETARY: SHALL KEEP THE MINUTES AT MEETING AND EXECUTIVE MEETINGS. SHALL KEEP THE CLUB RECORDS AND CONDUCT ALL CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE ASSOCIATION. SHALL COLLECT DUES AND ISSUE MEMBERSHIP CARDS.
- 5) TREASURER: SHALL RECEIVE ALL MONIES OF THE ORGANIZATION. PAY ALL BILLS. RENDER A MONETARY REPORT AT EACH MONTHLY MEETING. ALL FUNDS SHALL BE KEPT IN A SAFE AND SECURE MANNER AND A BOOK RECORD SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR THE INSPECTION OF THE MEMBERSHIP AT ALL TIMES. AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING, THE PRESIDENT SHALL APPOINT THREE (3) MEMBERS TO AUDIT THE BOOKS AND VERIFY THE MONIES PRIOR TO DECEMBER 31ST AND PUBLISH THEIR REPORT IN THE JANUARY ISSUE OF THE QRM.

H. ANY OFFICER, TRUSTEE, OR BOARD MEMBER WHO FAILS TO PERFORM THE FUNCTIONS OF THEIR POSITION, MAY BE

REQUESTED TO RESIGN OR MAY BE REMOVED BY A MAJORITY VOTE AT A REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING WHEN A QUORUM IS PRESENT.

ARTICLE SIX: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- A. THE EXECUTIVE OR "E" BOARD SHALL CONSIST OF FIVE ELECTED OFFICERS, THE CLUB TRUSTEE, AND TWO APPOINTED MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.
- B. THE TWO APPOINTED "E" BOARD MEMBERS SHALL SERVE FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS. THESE POSITIONS ARE APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT AND RUN CONCURRENTLY. (THAT IS, EACH NEW PRESIDENT APPOINTS ONLY ONE NEW MEMBER PER YEAR.)
- C. THE DUTIES OF THE "E" BOARD SHALL BE TO PLAN, CORRELATE, AND EVALUATE THE ACTIVITIES OF THE ASSOCIATION.
- D. THE "E" BOARD SHALL ACT FOR THE ASSOCIATION IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY. (SEE AMENDMENT III)
- E. FIVE ATTENDING MEMBERS SHALL CONSTITUTE A QUORUM.

ARTICLE SEVEN: COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT

- A. T.V.I./B.C.I. COMMITTEE SHALL BE OF A PERMANENT NATURE DUE TO THE WORK INVOLVED ONLY THOSE QUALIFIED TECHNICALLY SHOULD SERVE ON THIS COMMITTEE. THIS COMMITTEE SHALL HAVE THE FULL SUPPORT OF THE ASSOCIATION IN ALL T.V.I. PROBLEMS. EITHER THOSE CAUSED BY MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION, OR THOSE BY COMPLAINTS OF THE PUBLIC.
- B. CLUB STATION AND TRAINING COMMITTEE SHALL CONSIST OF FIVE MEMBERS. THIS COMMITTEE SHALL PROVIDE CODE AND THEORY INSTRUCTION FOR THOSE DESING AN AMATEUR LICENSE, SHALL ARRANGE FOR LECTURES, SLIDES OR FILMS TO ADVANCE THEORY AND PRACTICE IN THE ART OF AMATEUR RADIO COMMUNICATIONS AND SHALL ASSIST CLUB TRUSTEE IN MAINTAINING THE CLUB STATION.
- C. FIELD DAY COMMITTEE TO CORRELATE ARRL PLANS FOR THE ANNUAL FIELD DAY THE LAST WEEKEND IN JUNE.

- D. REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE: TO PROVIDE (IF POSSIBLE) AND SERVE FOOD AFTER THE MEETINGS AND DURING FIELD DAY WEEKEND.
- E. PUBLICITY COMMITTEE: SHALL CONSIST OF THREE MEMBERS. SHALL SUBMIT NOTICES TO THE MEDIA. SHALL PUBLISH THE B.V.A.R.A. MONTHLY NEWSLETTER: "BEAVER COUNTY QRM".
- F. NOMINATING COMMITTEE: SEE ARTICLE 5D.
- G. CLUB STATION COMMITTEE: SHALL CONSIST OF THE CLUB TRUSTEE AND OTHERS WHO WILL MAINTAIN THE CLUB STATION. (W3SGJ)
- H. ENGINEERING COMMITTEE: SHALL CONSIST OF THE CLUB TRUSTEE AND OTHERS WHO WILL MAINTAIN AND KEEP IN GOOD OPERATING CONDITION THE CLUB REPEATER STATION (W3SGJ/R). SHALL MAKE REPORTS AND SUGGESTIONS AT THE ORGANIZATION'S MONTHLY MEETINGS AS TO IMPROVEMENTS OR CONDITIONS AT THE REPEATER. SHALL ASSIST ANY MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATION IN TECHNICAL MATTERS THAT REQUIRE ATTENTION.
- I. BENEVOLENT COMMITTEE: SHALL SEND CARDS TO THE SICK MEMBERS. SEND FLOWERS ON THE DEATH OF A MEMBER. IF A MEMBER OR NON-MEMBER REQUEST THE CLUB TO SELL USED AMATEUR RADIO EQUIPMENT, THE CLUB SHALL RECEIVE A CONSIGNMENT FEE OF FIFTY-PERCENT (50%) UNLESS EQUIPMENT IS DIRECTLY DONATED TO THE CLUB.
- J. ANY OTHER DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE PRESIDENT OR THE EXECUTIVE BOARD SUCH AS HAMFEST, CHRISTMAS PARTY, XYL NIGHT, RAFFLE, FUND RAISING, CORN ROAST, OR OTHER ACTIVITY IN WHICH THE ORGANIZATION MAY BECOME INTERESTED.

ARTICLE EIGHT: MEETINGS

- A. REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS OF THE ASSOCIATION SHALL BE HELD ON THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 6:30 PM AT THE LOCATION SPECIFIED BY THE SECRETARY IN THE NEWSLETTER UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTIFIED. THE CLUB SECRETARY SHALL AT ALL TIMES BE RESPONSIBLE TO INSURE THAT ADVANCE MEETING NOTICE IS GIVEN TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

- B. FIELD DAY DETERMINED BY ARRL ANNUALLY.
- C. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS MAY BE CALLED AT THE DISCRETION OF THE PRESIDENT OR AT THE REQUEST OF ANY TWO MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD, DUE NOTICE HAVING BEEN GIVEN.
- D. QUORUM: BUSINESS MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION SHALL REQUIRE 20% OF THE PAID MEMBERSHIP PRESENT TO ESTABLISH A QUORUM.
- E. THIS ORGANIZATION SHALL CONDUCT MEETING USING ‘ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER’ AS A GUIDE.

ARTICLE NINE: BY-LAWS

- A. THESE BY-LAWS MAY BE AMENDED AT ANY TWO CONSECUTIVE MEETINGS:
 - 1) THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT WILL BE INTRODUCED AND DISCUSSED, BUT NO ACTION TAKEN.
 - 2) THE FOLLOWING MEETING NOTICE SHALL CONTAIN THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF THE BY-LAWS AND THIS MEETING A VOTE MAY BE CALLED BY THE PRESIDENT.

AMENDMENTS

AMENDMENT I

POLICY OF MEMBERSHIP AND EMPLOYMENT EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

IT WILL BE THE POLICY OF THE BEAVER VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, INC. TO ACCEPT MEMBERS WITHOUT REGARD TO THEIR RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, NATIONAL ORIGIN, OR SEX. FURTHERMORE, SHOULD THE ASSOCIATION EVER HAVE NEED TO EMPLOY OUTSIDE ACTORS TO SERVE AS AGENTS FOR THE ASSOCIATION, IT WILL BE OUR POLICY TO PROVIDE FOR EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY TO ALL QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS WITHOUT REGARD TO THEIR RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, NATIONAL ORIGIN, OR SEX, IN ALL PERSONAL ACTIONS INCLUDING RECRUITMENT, EVALUATION, PROMOTION, COMPENSATION, TRAINING, AND TERMINATION.

AMENDMENT II

THE PROPERTY OF THE BEAVER VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, INC. IS IRREVOCABLY DEDICATED TO SCIENTIFIC AND EDUCATION PURPOSES AND NO PART OF its NET INCOME OR ASSETS SHALL EVER INURE TO THE BENEFIT OF ANY OFFICER, TRUSTEE, OR MEMBER THEREOF, OR TO THE BENEFIT OF ANY PRIVATE INDIVIDUAL.

UPON THE DISSOLUTION OR TERMINATION OF THIS ASSOCIATION, IT'S ASSETS REMAINING AFTER PAYMENT OF, OR PROVISION FOR THE PAYMENT OF, ALL DEBTS AND LIABILITIES SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE AMERICAN RADIO RELAY LEAGUE, INC., IF IT IS THEN IN EXISTENCE AND EXEMPT UNDER SECTION 501(C) (3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE: BUT IF IT IS NOT THEN IN EXISTENCE OR EXEMPT, TO ANOTHER ORGANIZATION WHICH IS ORGANIZED AND OPERATED EXCLUSIVELY FOR SCIENTIFIC AND EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES DIRECTLY RELATED TO AMATEUR RADIO AND WHICH HAS ESTABLISHED ITS TAX EXEMPT STATUS UNDER SECTION 501(C) (3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.

IT SHALL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE TRUSTEE OF THIS ASSOCIATION TO SEE THAT DISSOLUTION OR TERMINATION OF THIS ORGANIZATION IS MET UNDER THIS AGREEMENT.

AMENDMENT III

COMMON AND EMERGENCY POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OR "EXECUTIVE BOARD" AS DEFINED UNDER ARTICLE SEVEN SHALL ACT FOR THE ASSOCIATION IN MATTERS CONCERNING THE NORMAL AND EMERGENCY OPERATION OF THIS ORGANIZATION: THUS, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD WILL INCLUDE, BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING:

- A. TO MAKE LIMITED EXPENDITURES AND PURCHASES ON BEHALF OF THE ASSOCIATION BETWEEN REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE ASSOCIATION, AS LONG AS THESE EXPENDITURES AND PURCHASES DO NOT EXCEED THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00).
- B. TO MAKE UNLIMITED EXPENDITURES AND PURCHASES ON BEHALF OF THE ASSOCIATION, WHICH MAY INCLUDE, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING:

- 1) THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN EMERGENCY FUND-RAISING PROGRAM WHEN THE CAPITAL ASSETS OF THE ASSOCIATION FALLS BELOW \$100.00.
 - 2) THE PURCHASE OR LEASE OF EQUIPMENT TO MAINTAIN THE REPEATER AT "MINIMAL" OPERATIONAL STATUS.
 - 3) THE PURCHASE OR LEASE OF NECESSARY EQUIPMENT IN TIMES OF LOCAL, STATE, OR NATIONAL CIVIL EMERGENCY AS DETERMINED BY ELECTED GOVERNMENTAL OFFICIALS IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN PUBLIC SAFETY VIA AMATEUR COMMUNICATIONS.
 - 4) THE PURCHASE OF INSURANCE FOR THE ASSOCIATION.
 - 5) TO SECURE PROFESSIONAL LEGAL COUNSEL FOR THE ASSOCIATION, SHOULD THE NEED ARISE.
- C. THE EXECUTIVE BOARD WILL HAVE THE POWER TO ENTER INTO PROVISIONAL AGREEMENTS WITH INDIVIDUALS, ORGANIZATIONS, AND GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES/OFFICIALS, ON BEHALF OF THE ASSOCIATION DURING TIMES OF EMERGENCY AS DEFINED UNDER SECTION 'B' PART 3 OF THIS AMENDMENT.
- D. THE EXECUTIVE BOARD WILL HAVE THE POWER TO ACT FOR THE ASSOCIATION AT A REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING PROVIDED THAT A QUORUM IS NOT PRESENT AS DEFINED UNDER ARTICLE EIGHT, SECTION 'D', AND THAT CONDITIONS UNDER ARTICLE SIX, SECTION 'E', AND ARTICLE EIGHT, SECTIONS 'A' & 'E' HAVE BEEN MET.

AMENDMENT IV

POLITICAL AFFILIATION

NO SUBSTANTIAL PART OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE BEAVER VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, INC. SHALL CONSIST OF CARRYING ON PROPAGANDA, OR OTHERWISE ATTEMPTING TO INFLUENCE LEGISLATION, AND THE ASSOCIATION SHALL NOT PARTICIPATE OR INTERVENE IN ANY POLITICAL CAMPAIGN, INCLUDING THE PUBLISHING OR DISTRIBUTION OF POLITICAL STATEMENTS, ON BEHALF OF ANY CANDIDATE FOR PUBLIC OFFICE.

AMENDMENT V

OFFICE AND POWERS OF THE TRUSTEE

THE ASSOCIATION SHALL AT ALL TIMES RECOGNIZE AND MAINTAIN AN ORGANIZATIONAL TRUSTEE. THE TRUSTEE SHALL BE ELECTED BY THE MEMBERSHIP UPON NEED TO RENEW THE CLUB LICENSE AS DETERMINED BY THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION. THE TRUSTEE'S TERM OF OFFICE WILL BE EQUAL TO THAT OF THE LICENSE DURATION AS DETERMINED BY THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION.

- A. QUALIFICATIONS OF A CANDIDATE SEEKING THE OFFICE OF TRUSTEE SHALL INCLUDE:
 - 1) THAT THE INDIVIDUAL HOLDS AN EXTRA CLASS LICENSE.
 - 2) THAT THE INDIVIDUAL IS 21 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.
 - 3) THAT THE INDIVIDUAL DENOTES THE HIGHEST STANDARDS OF PRACTICE AND ETHICS ASSOCIATED WITH GOOD CONDUCT AS DEFINED IN THE "AMATEURS CODE".

- B. THE ELECTION OF THE TRUSTEE SHALL BE CONDUCTED UNDER CONDITIONS DEFINED IN ARTICLE FIVE OF THIS CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

- C. POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEE:
 - 1) THE TRUSTEE SHALL MAINTAIN THE CLUB LICENSE IN HIS NAME ON BEHALF OF THE ASSOCIATION.
 - 2) THE TRUSTEE SHALL OVERSEE, APPOINT, AND CHAIR, BOTH THE CLUB STATION COMMITTEE AND ENGINEERING COMMITTEE.
 - 3) THE TRUSTEE SHALL HAVE THE POWER TO ENTER INTO PROVISIONAL AGREEMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE ASSOCIATION IN TIMES OF EMERGENCY. THIS POWER IS GRANTED TO THE TRUSTEE ONLY WHEN CONDITIONS UNDER AMENDMENT III, SECTION 'C' CANNOT BE ESTABLISHED VIA NORMAL MODES OF COMMUNICATION.
 - 4) THE TRUSTEE SHALL HAVE THE POWER TO HALT OPERATION OF BOTH THE CLUB STATION AND

REPEATER STATION SHOULD HE OR SHE DEEM IT NECESSARY UNDER FCC REGULATIONS.

- 5) THE TRUSTEE SHALL DEVELOP, MAINTAIN, AND OVERSEE A CONTROL OPERATOR SYSTEM, AS DEFINED BY FCC REGULATIONS, FOR USE AT BOTH THE CLUB AND REPEATER STATIONS, FURTHERMORE, THE TRUSTEE SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATED TO THE SAFETY AND NORMAL OPERATION OF SAID STATIONS.

D. REPLACEMENT OF THE TRUSTEE:

- 1) THE TRUSTEE SHALL GIVE THE ASSOCIATION AT LEAST 60 DAYS WRITTEN NOTICE OF RESIGNATION.
- 2) IN THE EVENT THAT THE TRUSTEE RESIGNS OR BECOMES UNABLE TO SERVE HIS TERM OF OFFICE, A SPECIAL ELECTION SHALL BE CALLED BY THE PRESIDENT. THIS ELECTION SHALL BE HELD IN TIMELY MANNER WITH PROPER NOTICE BEING GIVEN TO THE MEMBERSHIP. THE NEWLY ELECTED TRUSTEE'S TERM OF OFFICE WILL BE DETERMINED BY FCC REGULATIONS AS THEY PERTAIN TO CLUB LICENSE DURATION.

AMENDMENT VI

OPEN MEETINGS

IT WILL BE THE POLICY OF THE BEAVER VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, INC. TO HAVE ALL MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETINGS OF THE ASSOCIATION OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

AMENDMENT VII

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

THE ASSOCIATION'S ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION MAY BE AMENDED AT ANY TWO CONSECUTIVE MEETINGS. FIRST, THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT WILL BE INTRODUCED AND DISCUSSED, BUT NO ACTION TAKEN. THE FOLLOWING MEETING NOTICE SHALL CONTAIN THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF THE ARTICLES AND AT THIS MEETING A VOTE SHALL BE CALLED BY THE PRESIDENT.

THESE BY-LAWS WERE VOTED AND APPROVED
JANUARY 8, 1998

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