

Annotation: Proposed Amendment to GAMA By-laws

March 1, 2018

This a paragraph-by-paragraph description of the proposed amendment to the By-laws of the Georgetown Aero Modelers Association, Inc. dated August 3, 2016.

Article I – Membership

- Added verbiage to describe the authority for the Executive Committee.
- Changed wording to require all Association members to annually sign off on the safety rules and submit a release of liability waiver.
- Deleted FCC rules compliance.
- Removed the requirement for a reinstated member to pay all past dues and assessments.
- Removed the authority of the EC to set delinquency procedures and penalties.
- Added definition of family membership to regular membership.
- Added requirement for EC approval of all member apps.

Article II – Dues, Fees and Assessments

- Removed description of membership categories (they are in the membership application).
- Moved Dues and Assessment change process from Article VI.

Article III – Officers

- Added statement of membership categories eligible for office.
- Stated President's responsibility for submitting liability forms to the flying site owner.
- Added responsibility for Treasurer to ensure the annual financial review is completed on time and reported to the membership.
- Added Field Chairman responsibility for equipment.
- Changed to provide for communication to membership via Association website or e-mail.
- Added provision for indemnification of EC members.

Article VI – Amendments

- Clarified the process for initiating by-laws amendments.
- Clarification of Constitution reference to EC appointment of committee for revising by-laws.
- Added verbiage to provide for member notification by website or e-mail
- Moved description of process for changing dues and assessments to Article II.

Article VII.- Dues and Voting

- Changed article title to Voting.
- Replaced article with a single statement of membership voting rights.

Article VIII. – Grievance/Complaint Procedure

- Entire article replaced with new grievance process.

Article XIX. – Dissolution

- Added verbiage to provide for member notification by website or e-mail
- Clarified Secretary's role in the dissolution process.

Article XII – Audits

- Retitled Article: "Financial Controls"
- Changed "audit" to "independent review".
- Added verbiage to describe how the review will be conducted.
- Added limits on expenditures.
- Added requirement for general membership approvals of expenditures.