



FCARC By-Laws

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BY-LAWS OF FAYETTE COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC. (FCARC)

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ARTICLE I. MEMBERSHIP

All persons interested in Amateur Radio communications shall be eligible for membership. Membership shall be by application under such terms as provided in these By-laws.

Section 1. Regular Member. Regular membership is open to all licensed amateurs. Regular membership includes all FCARC privileges including voting rights and other rights which may be provided by the Fayette County Amateur Radio Club (FCARC).

Section 2. Associate Member. Associate membership is open to those actively engaged in a class leading to an Amateur Radio license and all other interested persons. Associate members automatically become regular members once they are issued an Amateur radio license. Associate members may hold office and exercise all voting rights.

Section 3. Applications for membership may be submitted at anytime to any FCARC officer.

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ARTICLE II. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Management, administration, and operations of the FCARC shall be vested in the Board of Directors and shall be consistent with the Constitution and By-laws.

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall consist of the President, Vice-President of Activities, the Secretary, the Treasurer, the immediate past-year President, and the current Emergency Coordinator for Fayette County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES).

Section 3. The presence of three (3) members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of transacting business and a plurality vote of this quorum shall be binding upon the membership.

Section 4. The Board shall meet at the call of the President who shall serve as chairman.

Section 5. Each member of the Board shall serve without compensation.

Section 6. The Board shall maintain and publish a record of its meetings. The Board shall also present a full statement at the annual meeting showing in detail the condition of the affairs of the FCARC.

Section 7. The Board shall have the power and authority to promulgate and enforce all business transactions of the FCARC.

Section 8. All legal transactions of the FCARC shall bear the signature of the President and the Secretary. Checks shall carry the signature of the President or the Treasurer.

Section 9. The past year President shall serve as a voting member of the Board of Directors for a one-year term to provide continuity.

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Section 10. The Emergency Coordinator of Fayette County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) shall serve as a voting member of the Board of Directors to provide effective coordination between the affairs of FCARC and ARES.

ARTICLE III. OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of the FCARC shall be President, Vice-President of Activities, Secretary, and Treasurer..

Section 2. Election of Officers shall be held at the annual meeting immediately following old business. A President, Vice-President of Activities, Secretary, and Treasurer shall be elected for a one (1) year term by ballot of the members present, provided there is a quorum. The new officers will be installed by the immediate past President. The new President shall preside from this point until the expiration of his term. The new President will appoint the Technical Coordinator and Control/Operator. Officers may serve successive terms.

Section 3. Vacancies occurring between elections shall be filled by appointment by the President. Appointment shall be for the remaining portion of the term.

Section 4. Officers may be removed by a three-fourths vote of the membership.

ARTICLE IV. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. The President shall serve as Chairman of the Board. He shall preside over all meetings of the Board and the FCARC. He may call a special meeting of the membership or of the Board, and shall have, subject to the advice and control of the Board, general charge of the business of the FCARC. He shall execute with the Secretary and Treasurer, all certificates, contracts, and instruments which the Board has approved. The President shall be responsible to the Board for the operation of the FCARC. He shall manage and control the Fayette County Repeater, which shall be the voice of the FCARC. It shall be the duty of the President to enforce provisions of the Constitution and By-laws in order that the integrity and prestige of the FCARC shall at all times be of the highest caliber.

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Section 2. The Vice-President of Activities shall assume all duties of the President in the absence of the latter. He shall perform such other duties pertaining to the FCARC as the President may properly prescribe. If a vacancy should occur in the office of the President for any cause, the Vice-President of Activities shall automatically become President of the FCARC.

Section 3. The Secretary shall record the minutes of all meetings. He shall keep an accurate file of all items of business of the FCARC and other data that may be used in maintaining the accurate history of the FCARC. The Secretary shall perform other duties of the FCARC as the President may properly prescribe.

Section 4. The Treasurer shall be responsible to the Board for all financial records, receipts, and expenditures. He shall expend all monies of the FCARC. Expenditures in excess of \$150.00 will require Board approval. The Treasurer shall perform other duties of the FCARC as the President may properly prescribe.

Section 5. The Technical Coordinator shall direct and supervise all repairs and maintenance of the repeater(s) and associated hardware. He shall be responsible for all FCARC-owned test equipment and spare parts. He will see that the equipment and parts are protected and kept in a safe place.

Section 6. The Repeater Control Operator shall direct and supervise the general conduct of the repeaters, including but not limited to the enforcement of proper FCC procedures on the repeater(s).

ARTICLE V. MEETINGS

Section 1. At least one meeting shall be held annually for the purpose of conducting FCARC Business.

Section 2. The Board shall determine the time and place of the meeting.

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Section 3. The meetings of the FCARC and of the Board shall be informal but in the best spirit of Roberts Rules of Order.

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ARTICLE VI. DUES

Section 1. The Board of Directors may levy upon the membership such dues or assessments as shall be deemed necessary for the business of the FCARC. Non-payment of such dues or assessments shall be cause for removal from the FCARC within the discretion of the Board.

Section 2. The Board of Directors will determine the amount of Annual dues. Dues may be prorated for members joining more than half way through the fiscal year.

ARTICLE VII. COMMITTEES

Section 1. The President shall activate committees.

Section 2. All committee recommendations shall be approved by the Board prior to being presented to the membership. Recommended changes to the Constitution and By-laws shall be presented to the Board at least fourteen (14) days prior to the annual meeting.

ARTICLE VIII. QUORUM

Section 1. A quorum for transacting business of the FCARC shall be fifteen percent (15 %) of the Members. In case a quorum is not present at the annual meeting, the Board shall continue in office until the next annual meeting.

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Section 2. A quorum of the Board shall be three (3) members.

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ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENTS

These By-laws may be amended by a plurality of the vote of the Board of Directors provided the quorum requirements are met. The Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the Membership at the annual meeting or any special meeting provided the quorum requirements are met. Proposals for amendments to the Constitution shall be submitted in writing to the Board at least fourteen (14) days prior to any meeting.