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Article II. Purpose

The purpose of this organization is to encourage the building or flying of model aircraft, including Radio Control, Control Line, Free flight, or any other form of model aviation.

Article III. Membership

Section 1. Any individual who indicates an interest in building or flying model aircraft or in furthering the purposes of the BAMS shall be eligible for membership. The membership shall be divided into classes as follows:

- a. Junior Membership – those who hold a Junior AMA license.
- b. Senior Membership – those who hold a Senior AMA license.
- c. Open Membership – those who hold an Open AMA license.
- d. Family Membership – husbands and wives who hold an Open AMA license and sons and daughters who hold a Junior or Senior AMA license will constitute a family. (A son or daughter eligible for Open Membership while a student may continue under the Family Membership.)
- e. Associate Membership – individuals interested model aviation but not flying for whatever reason, need not possess an AMA license.
- f. Flying Membership – Full flying privileges without the membership responsibility described in Article IV. Dues will be (4) four times that of an Open Membership. Must have the appropriate AMA license and obey all field regulations.
- g. Honorary Membership – those individuals who are given special recognition of contributions to aviation or the BAMS upon approval of the membership.

Section 2. The Board of Directors will determine the eligibility of all applicants and has the power to reject any applicant they determine to be unsuitable. The Board can reject the membership renewal of any individual. A unanimous vote of the Board of Directors is needed to reject a new applicant or membership renewal. Upon acceptance for membership, each individual shall agree to accept the club's by-laws, flying field regulations and pay

such dues, initiation fees, or assessments that in effect. No member shall have the right, title or interest in the BAMS property.

Article IV. Responsibility of Membership

Members are responsible for supporting the activities of the BUTLER AIRCRAFT MODELERS SOCIETY and maintaining the flying field and property of the organization. With the only exception being physical handicap or disability which could keep a member from the physical work.

Article V. Resignation, Disciplinary Action, and Reinstatement of Membership

The Board of Directors are responsible for disciplinary action and may accept the resignation of any member. The Board can expel any individual they determine to be violation of the by-laws, field regulations, or whose actions have disrupted the good order of the organization. A unanimous vote by the Board of Directors is required to expel a member. Expulsion can be appealed to the membership. A 75%majority vote of all members eligible to vote is required to override the decision of the Board.

Article VI. Dues

The Board of Directors must submit dues changes to the voting membership for approval. Membership vote shall be by secret ballot. The Board of Directors must obtain approval from the voting membership for any indebtedness. Members must be advised in writing in advance of the meeting at which the dues or indebtedness vote will be taken. The Board of Directors are elected by the Open Membership to conduct business of the organization and must be able to make decisions based on the combined judgement of the Board Members. They can, at any time, poll the membership on any issue. The Open Membership (voting membership) can override a Board decision by a 75% majority vote of all members eligible to vote.

Article VII. Books and Records

Section 1. The BAMS shall keep correct and complete books and records of all accounts and shall keep minutes of all proceedings at membership meetings and formal committee proceedings.

Section 2. The record of the names and addresses of its members shall be kept at the principle office of the BAMS.

Article VIII. Meetings

Section 1. The Board of Directors will meet as business requires and report to the membership on all business conducted.

Section 2. The Board of Directors will schedule meetings of general membership for the purpose of communicating organizational business, unity and information concerning model aviation. A minimum of (6) six general meetings will be held yearly.

Section 3. A special meeting can be called by a written petition signed by (10%) ten percent of the total eligible voting membership and presented to the Board of Directors. A minimum of (14) fourteen days advance notice of special meetings will be given to the general membership.

Section 4. The voting membership at the meeting shall be eligible Open members in attendance.

Article IX. Nominations and Elections

Section 1. BAMS officers shall be nominated by a voting member to serve a (2) two-year term.

Section 2. To be eligible to be a BAMS officer, a nominee must be an Open Member in good standing and have been a Club member for a minimum of (1) one calendar year.

Section 3. The officers will be elected by secret ballot of the Open Membership to serve a term of (2) two years. The President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected on even numbered years. The Vice-President and the Director will be elected on odd numbered years.

Section 4. Nominations of the officers will be open at a general membership meeting during the Labor Day picnic, in the month of September. Nominations will close at the October meeting and the election be held. Newly elected officer will be installed at the end of the October meeting.

Section 5. Elections and referendums will be conducted by secret ballot at the meeting or by mail.

Article X. Officers

Section 1. The officers of the BAMS shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Director.

Section 2. If, for any reason, an office other than that of President or Vice President becomes vacant, the Board of Directors will appoint a member to fill the un-expired term. If the office of the President becomes vacant, the Vice President will assume the office and a new Vice President will be elected by the membership to complete the un-expired term. If, for any reason, the President and Vice President should leave office, an election will be conducted to fill the un-expired terms. In the absence of the President or Vice President, the Treasurer becomes the senior officer followed by the Secretary and the Director.

Section 3. The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the BAMS. The President has the responsibilities and powers listed below:

Preside over Board and General Membership meetings.
Conduct meetings in an orderly manner.

Assure the rights and privileges granted to a member are not violated.

Supervise and be knowledgeable of all business affairs of this organization.

Affirm that business affairs are conducted in a business-like manner in accordance with the bylaws.

Establish regular communication with the membership.

The President has the power to veto any and all actions of the Board of Directors.

Section 4. The Vice President is the assistant to the President and shall be prepared to assume the duties of the President. The Vice President will implement the programs of the Board of Directors in the areas of pilot training, enforcement of field regulations and flying activities, such as demonstrations, etc. The Vice President will nominate a Field Marshal(s) to assist in the enforcement of field regulations. The Vice President may appoint qualified

members to assist with other programs. The Vice President is also responsible for:

Certifying instructors and assuring their instructions meet the goals of certifying the student.

Certify all newly instructed pilots and those joining the club with previous experience.

Advice the Board in flying matters and upgrading the certification program.

Coordinate demonstrations at the flying field and work with others to develop demonstrations of different type of aircraft.

Section 5. The Secretary is responsible for maintaining all records called for in Article VII.

Section 6. The Treasurer is responsible for maintaining the financial records and advising the Board accordingly.

Section 7. The Director at large will represent the membership at the Board meetings and assist the other officers with the business of operating the club.

Section 8. No member elected or appointed to the BAMS Board of Directors (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Director) shall be a member for more than (2) two consecutive terms or (4) four consecutive years. A member who was on the Board for (2) two terms or (4) four consecutive years may run again or be appointed to the Board after a two year period of not being on the BAMS Board.

Article XI. Board of Directors

Section 1. The management of the affairs of the BAMS shall be vested in the governing body, to be known as the Board of Directors.

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall be composed of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and a Director.

Section 3. The Board of Directors shall have the authority to supervise the affairs of the BAMS and to establish policies.

Section 4. The Board of Directors will carry out the following responsibilities:

- a. Maintain a flying site and plan improvements to the flying Site.
- b. Issue and review flying site regulations to assure safe and fun flying for the membership.
- c. Appoint a Field Marshal(s) nominated by the Vice President to assist him in the enforcement of field regulations.
- d. Establish and maintain a program of pilot certification for all flyers.
- e. Plan an annual calendar of events to include general membership meetings, picnics and flying events.
- f. Appoint an auditor to oversee the counting of ballots and to audit the organizational accounts.
- g. Conduct elections and referendums.
- h. Appoint a newsletter editor.
- i. Appoint special committees as needed.

Section 5. Decisions of policy shall not be at variance with the stated purposes and objectives of these Bylaws.

Section 6. Any Open Member in good standing may initiate a formal request for Board Action by submitting a petition to the President. The petition should include a written description of the nature, type and extent of the Board action recommended. The

President will report back to the petitioner with the action taken by the Board within (60) sixty days.

Section 7. The Board of Directors can override a presidential veto by unanimous vote of the (4) four other Board members.

Article XII. Appointees:

Auditor

Chief Pilot

Demonstration Pilot

Newsletter Editor

Field Marshal(s)

Section 1. The auditor will audit all accounts yearly and supervise the accounting of the ballots during elections and referendum's.

Section 2. The Newsletter Editor will publish a monthly newsletter communicating to the membership the activities of the BAMS.

Section 3. Field Marshal(s) are responsible for (a.) Advising the Board concerning field regulations. (b.) Enforcing field regulations. (c.) Investigating safety violations and accidents. (d.) Filing formal charges against individuals who disregard field regulations after being warned.

Section 4. The Field Marshal(s) has the power to ground the flyer who fails to heed the warnings about safety violations. The grounding will be for the remainder of the day. Continuing to fly after being warned automatically results in a disciplinary hearing before the Board of Directors. The Field Marshal(s) has the power to order anyone off the flying site and may call law enforcement personnel for assistance.

Article XIII. Pilot Certification

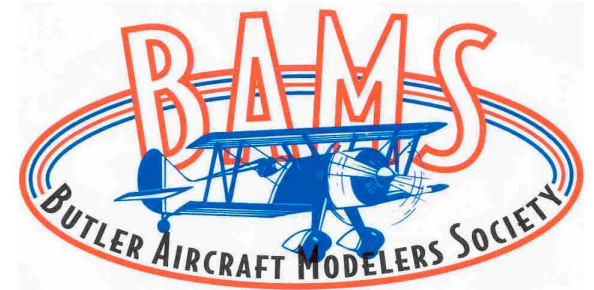
Section 1. A three-level program of pilot certification will be maintained to educate new members and to challenge experienced flyers. The first level will be Pilot Second Class. The second level will be Pilot First Class. The third level will be Expert Pilot.

Section 2. The Board of Directors and Chief Pilot will set requirements to meet each level. Safety education will be stressed at all levels.

Section 3. Each flyer will be authorized to wear a set of wings designating his certified level of proficiency. A distinctive set of wings will be established for the Chief Pilot and Demonstration Pilot (Top Gun).

Article XIV. Bylaw Amendments or Changes

Change(s) will be made to the Bylaws by a majority vote of the voting membership. Proposed changes will be brought before a general membership meeting for discussion. The proposed change(s) will be mailed to all members and a vote taken at the following meeting of the general membership.



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