

## **BY-LAWS**

### **ROCKETRY ORGANIZATION OF NORTHERN NEVADA**

#### **Article 1: Name**

This chartered section of the National Association of Rocketry shall be named the "Rocketry Organization of Northern Nevada" being referred to as "ROCKONN". The official location of the Section shall be referred to as "Carson Valley, Nevada" or "Northern Nevada".

#### **Article 2: Purpose**

The official purpose of this section is to provide safe and legitimate launch ranges, safety education, competition opportunities, and a forum for sharing experiences, knowledge, and ideas for rocketry enthusiasts living in, or near Northern Nevada.

#### **Article 3: Membership**

Anyone interested in using this section's resources may join by submitting an application. Only National Association of Rocketry (NAR) members can attain full membership status. Those who do not have a current NAR membership may join as associate members. Associate members are not covered by this section's insurance and they may not serve this section as an officer. Their launching activities must receive prior approval and may be subject to supervision. This section must maintain a minimum of five NAR members in good standing to maintain its NAR charter after the first two years.

#### **Article 4: Dues**

Dues will be determined by a vote of section members. Dues may be necessary to buy and or build range equipment, or provide competition prizes; however, other sources of revenue may preclude the need for dues.

#### **Article 5: Meetings**

Meetings shall be held when they are determined to be necessary by the president and shall start at a predetermined time. Attendance is not mandatory. Three members shall constitute a quorum and establish the legality of any action taken by this section. Meeting dates and times will be kept on the club's website.

#### **Article 6: Officers**

Only NAR members can be elected to an office.

- **President:** runs the meetings, coordinates activities, handles correspondence, serves as the club advisor, and is the chief administrative officer of the club.
- **Vice-president:** assists the president and serves in his stead when the president cannot function for any reason.
- **Secretary:** keeps membership lists and meeting minutes, collects dues and other fees, and pays bills.

- **LCO:** responsible for controlling rocket launches.
- **RSO:** performs duties as established by NAR and federal regulations.

### **Article 7: Elections**

Elections for officers shall be held when determined to be necessary by the president prior to the second meeting of the calendar year by emailing section members. Nominations can be made at the first section meeting of calendar year or prior to the second meeting by emailing section members. In the event an office becomes vacant, the president may appoint another section member to the office or hold a special election.

### **Article 8: Committees**

Committees shall be considered for a means of getting work done. Following is an example of committees that may be established to accomplish specific tasks:

- An **Equipment** committee would keep track of the club launcher, PA system, trackers, etc., ensure that it is available at club functions, and ensure that it is maintained properly.
- A **Public Relations** committee would be charged with promoting the club.
- A **Competition** committee would establish rocket contests, secure awards and prizes and make sure all contestants are informed of the results.

The Section President shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.

### **Article 9: Rules and Regulations**

- The club's special safety rules shall be posted on the club's website and/or at the launch site. All participants at a rocket launch shall comply with the club's special safety rules as well as the NAR safety rules and federal regulations. Any participants violating any one of these rules or regulations may be prohibited from attending future launches at the president's discretion.

### **Article 10: Motions**

A motion for this section to take an action for any purpose may be introduced by any member of this section at anytime. The motion shall be voted on during a section meeting or through emailing section members. If the motion is presented at a section meeting, the motion must be followed by a second and a discussion before it can be voted on. The motion can be approved by a simple majority of the membership; however, the president shall have the power of vetoing any motion except a motion to amend these bylaws.

Any member may introduce a motion to amend these bylaws. The motion may be approved by a two-thirds vote of section members present and voting at any meeting of this section, providing a notice of the pending amendment has been sent to all members of this section at least five days in advance of such meeting.