

Magic Valley Amateur Radio Club By-Laws

As Amended December 11, 2021

The Magic Valley Amateur Radio Club is organized for the purpose of:

- Providing education and training for prospective and current Amateur Radio operators, including opportunities for both academic and hands-on training,
- Increasing the existing reservoir of talent with an Amateur Radio Service comprised of trained operators, technicians, and experimenters in electronic communications.
- Encouraging research and experimentation with new and existing technologies in an effort to advance the field of radio communications.
- Maintaining the ability to furnish communications services for government and municipal agencies during times of emergencies, and for charitable organizations during community activities.
- Continuing and extending the Amateur Radio operator's opportunity to promote and enhance international good will.

We also aspire to follow the ARRL's Amateur Radio Code

 The officers of the Magic Valley Amateur Radio Club shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer and one Member at Large. These officers shall be elected by the members at an annual or regular meeting. All Board of Director officers will serve for one year. Taking affect after the 2022 election a President will be elected each year.

- A. All members of the Board of Directors can only be elected to the same office for up to 4 consecutive years. At that point they are not eligible for that office for one year. They can be elected into a different office immediately.
- B. If for any reason the office of President is vacated during the term, the Vice President will become President for the rest of that term.
- C. If the office of Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer or Member at Large is vacated during the term, an election will be held at a regular scheduled club meeting to fill that office. The newly elected position shall only serve until the next regular scheduled election.
- D. The Board of Directors has the authority to carry out club business including allocation of up to \$500.00 without club quorum approval.
- E. The majority vote of a Club Quorum has the authority to remove any elected club official from the office he/she holds. The Quorum shall be blameless for these actions.
- F. If the MVARC Board of Directors determines it is in the clubs' best interest they have the authority and right to take action toward any club member, including but not limited to, revoking club rights, club privileges, and club membership. If membership is revoked, the ex-members' club dues shall be prorated and unused dues returned to them. The Board of Directors Shall be blameless for these actions.
- 2. Membership shall be open to all licensed radio amateurs and to other interested persons. Licensed radio amateurs must make up at least 51% of the active club membership. To be eligible to be elected to serve on the MVARC Board of Directors a person must possess a current and valid amateur radio license as issued by the Federal Communications Commission and be a member in good standing which includes being current with his/her Magic Valley Amateur Radio Club membership dues and must not be convicted of or under investigation for any FCC violation.
- 3. The Magic Valley Amateur Radio Club shall be affiliated with the American Radio Relay League.

- 4. Meetings shall be held annually to elect officers and conduct business and at other times as the officers or members desire. No fewer than twelve (12) members shall constitute a quorum.
- 5. Donation dues may be assessed by the officers of the Magic Valley Amateur Radio Club with the consent of a simple majority of the members present at the annual meeting or at a special or regular meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend club meetings and events; however you need to be a current member to be eligible to have a vote or say, in all club matters. A member is defined as a person who has paid the current years' membership donation dues.
- 6. Such committees as are deemed necessary for carrying out the objectives of the Magic Valley Amateur Radio Club may be appointed by the president. Examples are (1) repeater operations committee, (2) interference committee, (3) public relations committee, (4) etc.
- 7. In the event of termination, abandonment, liquidation or dissolution of this organization, whether voluntary or involuntary, in any manner or for any reason whatsoever, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.
- 8. The club membership, by a majority vote, has authorized the Board of Directors of the Magic Valley Amateur Radio Club to raise funds for the club by purchasing or procuring in any legal manner, equipment, services or products deemed appropriate for such purpose and awarding the equipment, services or products to the winner using the method of a raffle. The board of directors is authorized to continue holding occasional raffles for the purpose of raising funds for the club until such time that another vote may be taken to discontinue the practice. The vote to authorize or discontinue the raffle shall be 50 percent plus one vote of the current members of MVARC in actual attendance of the meeting when the vote is taken.

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