



BY-LAWS OF
THE CENTRAL
MASSACHUSETTS
SPACEMODELING
SOCIETY
NAR SECTION #464



1. NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Central Massachusetts Spacemodeling Society (CMASS), a chartered Section of the National Association of Rocketry.

2. PURPOSE

It shall be the purpose of this Section to:

- a. aid and abet the aims and purposes of the NAR
- b. promote the hobby of spacemodeling in the Central Massachusetts region
- c. operate a spacemodeling club and a model rocket launching facility in accordance with the standards and regulations of the National Association of Rocketry, the National Fire Protection Association, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
- d. direct meetings and launches with the purpose of aiding, encouraging, and instructing all persons interested in spacemodeling
- e. aid in other scientific, educational, or related activities of the NAR which the Section's Executive Board may from time to time deem necessary or desirable in connection with the foregoing

3. MEMBERSHIP

There shall be three classes of membership:

- a. All NAR members in good standing who promptly pay all dues levied by the Section shall be accorded the status of Full Members.
- b. Persons without current NAR membership who promptly pay all dues levied by the Section shall be accorded the status of Associate Members.
- c. Any member in good standing may be elected to Honorary Lifetime Membership, as specified in Article 11.

4. DUES

Dues shall be payable on a periodic basis. The amount, due date, and period applicable shall be decided by a majority vote of all members present and voting at the first meeting in September of each year. Dues monies shall be kept in a general fund by the Treasurer, and shall be paid out by him only by order of the President of the Section, or by order of the Executive Committee of the Section, or by a majority vote of all members present and voting at any meeting of the Section.

5. MEETINGS

Meetings of the Section shall be held at least monthly. Operation of the rocket range shall not be considered a meeting. A quorum shall consist of six (6) Full Members of the Section. Meetings shall be conducted and governed in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, at the discretion of the President of the Section.

6. LAUNCHES

Launches shall be held at times and places decided by a majority vote of Section members in attendance at the second meeting in January each year. All launches shall be conducted in accordance with the NAR Safety Code and shall be supervised in accordance with the prevailing regulations of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and local restrictions.

7. OFFICERS

The Officers of this Section shall consist of a President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, all of whom shall be Full Members of the Section. The President shall hold no other office. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by the same person.

8. EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Executive Board of this Section shall consist of the Officers, a Senior Member of the NAR who shall be designated by the President as Ambassador-at-Large and a Senior Member of the NAR who shall be designated by the Section membership as Senior Advisor. The Ambassador-at-Large and the Senior Advisor shall be a Full Member of the Section and may also hold the offices of Secretary or Treasurer or both.

9. ELECTIONS

Election of the Officers and Senior Advisor for the duration of a year shall take place at the first meeting in September of each year. Nominations shall be made at the meeting immediately preceding the scheduled election. Vacancies in office shall be filled by nomination and election of a Full Member to fill the unexpired term of office, and shall take place at the Section meeting at which the vacancy is announced or declared. Nominations shall be made from the floor for all elections, and the candidate having the largest number of votes shall be elected.

10. COMMITTEES

Committees shall be appointed by the Executive Board as deemed necessary by the Section.

11. HONORARY LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

Any current or former Member of the Section may be nominated for Honorary Lifetime Membership in the Section. Honorary Lifetime Membership shall be conferred upon the nominee by the consent of 2/3 of the members present and voting at any meeting.

12. AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be amended by a 2/3 vote of those Section members present and voting at any meeting of the Section that has a quorum.

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