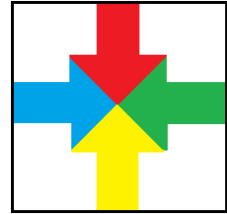


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Consideration for Change in By-Laws

Mo-Kan Regional Council of Amateur Radio Organizations, Inc.

January 28, 2017

Article 03E, Member Initiation Fees and Annual Dues:

Synopsis:

Article 03E, Section 2. Subsection A of the Bylaws of the Mo-Kan Council of Amateur Radio Clubs, Inc. presently reads:

Section 2: Annual Dues: Yearly Dues shall be paid to the association at the time of the Annual Meeting each year after becoming a member based on the following schedule:

- a. **Regular Member:** Shall submit an amount calculated at \$.30 cents multiplied by the number of active members in good standing of the member organization on January 1st of the given year.
- b. **Special Interest Organization:** Shall submit an amount of \$20.00 per year.
- c. **Vendor Organization:** Shall submit an amount of \$20.00 per year.

At our Regular Meeting of January 28, 2017, It was been brought to our attention by our Treasurer that the current method of prescribing dues is impractical and labor intensive to administer. The intent in the original bylaws was to provide equity between the smaller and larger member organizations with regard to the financial burden carried by the various organizations. In practice, it was found that there was little equity, and the Council was left in a position of declining revenue which would lead to not being able to cover basic expenses regardless of the amount of labor expended in assessing and collecting dues.

The members in attendance discussed several different options, including a sliding scale, again based on the size of a member organization. After discussion it was resolved that a set fee of \$20.00 per year is recommended across all organizations regardless of size. This will require a change in bylaws, which if enacted by the Council would take effect January 1, 2018.

Motion to Amend the By-Laws:

A motion was made by Bill Gery representing the Radio Amateurs of Johnson County, and Second by Dave Salamon of the Southside Amateur Radio Club to an amendment of the bylaws per the instructions set forth in the bylaws, that starting in fiscal year 2018, member dues should be \$20.00 per year for all member classes of the Council. This motion was passed unanimously by all members in attendance.

If enacted, this motion would change Article 03E, Section 2. Annual Dues, Subsection A: Regular Member, of the By-Laws of the Mo-Kan Council of Amateur Radio Clubs, Inc, Effective January 1, 2018 to read:

Annual Dues: Yearly Dues shall be paid to the association at the time of the Annual Meeting each year after becoming a member based on the following schedule:

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Procedure:

The instructions for the amendment of any article of the by-laws are very specific. Article 8 of the Bylaws on this subject reads:

Article 08, Amendments:

A By-Laws amendment requires two consecutive meetings to be enacted. A written motion stating the proposed change shall be submitted in writing at a Regular or Annual Meeting. If the motion is passed:

1. The Chairman will appoint a Special Committee of 3 to review the proposed amendment to evaluate the best interests of the association and potential conflicts with existing Articles. This committee will report at the subsequent meeting one of the following: recommend acceptance, recommend rejection, or no recommendation.
2. All members will receive the proposed change by the association's normal method of notification at least two weeks prior to the next Regular Meeting.
3. The proposed change will be voted on at the next Regular Meeting, and the By-Laws amended on a greater than a 2/3 vote of Members in Good Standing present.

The Chairman appointed Bill Gery, William Hinkley, and Charles Vanway to the committee to review the proposed amendment. Their recommendations will be made available before the next regular meeting.