

Bunker Hill Train Club

Bylaws

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ARTICLE I The Name

This organization shall be known as the Bunker Hill Train Club (hereafter "The Club").

ARTICLE II Purpose

The purpose of The Bunker Hill Train Club shall be to advance the hobby of model railroading and the history of railroading to assist in the preservation of historical railroad artifacts and memorabilia and historical landmarks; and to promote general knowledge of railroads and railroading.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

3.1 Members. The Club shall have members

3.2 Qualification for Membership. Membership in the club is a privilege that may be accorded or withheld, and it is not a "right". The grant or refusal of membership is solely within the control of The Club, and an applicant who is refused admission is entirely without legal remedy.

Any natural person, eighteen years of age or over, regardless of sex, race, religion, national origin or sexual orientation may become a Regular Member by payment of dues.

Every Member of The Club has the absolute duty to The Club and its participating Members to refrain from violating any of the laws of the State of West Virginia or the United States of America.

3.3 Restrictions on Membership. Membership will not be conferred on registered sex offenders, nor on persons (felons) convicted of major crimes. The Club reserves the right to check available databases with the respect to both applicants and existing members as part of its ongoing effort to provide a safe and secure environment of the Members and guests.

Any person, while a Member of The Club, is required to report any arrest for or conviction of any criminal offense of The Club within 30 days of the arrest or conviction. Consideration will be given to the type of conviction involved in order that The Club can take the necessary steps to revoke Membership, if necessary, in a timely manner.

3.4 Revocation. Membership may be revoked for:

- Failure to pay dues within 60 days of the published due date
- Making material misrepresentations of fact or reckless act which jeopardize the continued lawful existence of The Club
- Wrongful allocation of The Club's money, or
- Continuing to engage in actions of an abusive or disruptive nature, or acts of violence or intimidation after receiving written warning from the Club, including violation of Club rules.
- Engaging in inappropriate and/or serious criminal conduct and/or becoming a registered sex offender.

3.5 Children. Children under 18 years of age participating in Club activities must be accompanied by a parent, stepfamily member, direct relative or guardian.

3.6 Duties of Members.

In order that each member of The Club may be informed of the duties of members, they shall be given a copy of The Club bylaws.

3.7 Rules of The Club.

The following rules are hereby set forth:

1. Member shall pay the established dues yearly.
2. Members are expected to participate in the various function of the club.
3. Members are expected to attend the Business Meetings as frequently as possible.
4. Parental consent must be give for a minor to become member of The Club.
5. Minor members must be supervised while using the facilities of The Club.
6. Members shall show proper respect of the property of The Club and other club members.
7. No non-prescription drugs or alcohol are permitted on the facilities or at function sponsored by The Club.
8. Members are allowed to spend up to \$50 for supplies for he club with the approval of two (2) officers and one (1) member t large in good standing.

3.8 Membership Dues:

Dues shall be collected from each member.

1. Amount of Dues – The amount to be paid in for dues are set by the membership. If the amount needs to be amended, it shall be approved by a simple majority of the membership.
2. Purpose of Dues – The purpose of the dues paid by the members is to help offset the cost of the operation of The Club.
3. Payment of Dues – Dues should be paid by Thanksgiving of each year. However, they are not considered delinquent until the 1st of January. At which time the member shall no longer be considered a member in good standing.

ARTICLE IV: NON-PROFIT STATUS

The Club is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, of be distributable to its members, trustees, officers or other private persons, except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purpose within the meaning of sections 501 © (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. Any such assets not disposed of shall disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county on which the principal office of the Common Pleas of the country 9n which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE V Officers

5.1 Elected Officers

The elected officers of The Club shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, elected by a majority of the members in good standing at present of the election meeting.

5.2 Term of Office

The officers of the club shall be elected for a period of two (2) years or at the will of the membership. However, an officer may resign at any time.

All officers shall be members of the Club in good standing.

5.3 Informed of Duties

All officers shall be informed as to the duties pertaining to their respective offices.

Each Committee shall, unless otherwise provided elect its own officers, and meet regularly at a stated time but shall be at least once each month.

All officers shall assume office immediately upon the announcement of the election results.

5.4 Failure To Perform Duties

Any officer who, for a period of two months, shall fail to faithfully perform the duties pertaining to his office, without a good and sufficient reason, thereby vacates said office. The Club has the power, for good and sufficient cause, to remove from office any officer or committeeman.

5.5 Resignation Of Officers

Resignation of officers shall be in writing to the Secretary of The Club. In the case of the Secretary, such resignation shall be made in writing to the President.

ARTICLE VI

Duties and Qualifications Of Elected Officers and Boards

6. 1: President

The President presides over meetings, acts as the point of contact for the business matter of The Club. He also appoints and disbands non-standing committees as needed. The President shall appoint members to the standing committees as needed. The President shall be an Ex-Officio member of all standing committees.

6.2: Vice President

The Vice President assumes the duties of the President when the President is incapable of fulfilling his duties, is incapable of completing his term, or resigns as President. The Vice President acts as the assistant to the President upon the request of the President. The Vice President shall be an Ex-Officio member of all standing committees.

6.3: Secretary

Handles the correspondence for The Club, maintains the minutes of the Business Meetings and the official membership list.

6.4: Treasurer

The Treasurer keeps the books, pays debts owed by The Club, and makes bank deposits. The Treasurer may change banks when needed and makes a full disclosure of such action at the next business meeting.

6.5: Historian

The Historian shall maintain a written and pictorial history of The Club. The Historian shall be reimbursed for materials used for the duties of the position. The written and pictorial history and all artifacts, gathered in the duties of the position, shall be the property of The Club.

6.6 : Standard of Conduct. Officers shall act in accordance with the standards set out in the West Virginia Business Corporation Act.

ARTICLE VII Standing Committees

7.1: Train Show Committee

A) Membership

The committee shall consist of no less than two (2) and no more than four (4) members in good standing of The Club

B) Duties

The Duties of the Train Show Committee Shall include:

- 1) Securing a location
- 2) Publicity
- 3) Securing Vendors
- 4) Reporting to the membership regularly at Business Meetings or upon request at Officers meetings

7.2: Membership Committee

- Membership – The committee shall consist of no less than two (2) and no more than four (4) member in good standing of The Club.
- Duties of the Membership Committee
- Assist the new members to become familiar with The Club.

ARTICLE VIII MEETINGS

8.1: Schedule of Meetings

- 1) Business meetings shall be held once a month
- 2) Special meeting will be held when needed and may be called by the President or Vice President
- 3) Special meetings may be requested by any member through a written request submitted to the President.
- 4) The election meeting shall be held in conjunction with the November business meeting.

ARTICLE IX GENERAL PROVISIONS

9.1 Governing Authority. The Club is governed and operated in accordance with the laws of the State of West Virginia, the bylaws, and the instructions of the Officers so authorized.

9.2 Parliamentary Rules. Except as may be modified by The Club resolution, Robert's Rules of Order (current edition) shall govern the conduct of The Club proceedings when not in conflict with West Virginia law, or these by-laws.

9.3 Amendments. Except as otherwise provided by law, these bylaws may be amended or repealed and new bylaws may be adopted by a majority vote (51 %) of the Members of the Club.