

## **Notice of Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws**

On January 19, 2021, at a regular Board of Director ("BoD") meeting, the BoD proposed and accepted the following amendments to the Bylaws.

### **New Section 10.3**

10.3 These rules are published and regularly updated on the OCMA website. The rules are also available upon request by a member. These rules are binding upon all members after being posted on the OCMA website. Violation of these rules (after the rules are published on the OCMA website) can be grounds for expulsion, termination or suspension of membership in accordance with Article XV. It is the duty of every member to familiarize him or herself with the most current rules before engaging in any activities at the modeling facilities operated by OCMA.

### **New Article XV**

## **ARTICLE XV**

### **Resignation, Termination, Disciplinary Action, Exclusion, Expulsion, and Reinstatement of Membership**

15.1 Any member in good standing may resign his membership by giving notice verbally or in writing to OCMA and turning in their gate key.

15.2 If any member ceases to have the qualifications necessary for membership in OCMA, his membership shall thereby terminate, subject to reinstatement upon restoration of eligibility.

15.3 Any individual may be suspended or terminated from membership by the OCMA Board of Directors (BoD) by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the OCMA Officers if such suspension or termination can be made in good faith and in reasonable manner. The OCMA Officers must determine that:

- (a) such individual acted or failed to act intentionally, in reckless disregard or with gross negligence; and
- (b) that the individual's act or omission constitutes one or more of the following:
  - i. a violation of the OCMA Bylaws,
  - ii. a violation of the OCMA Flying Field Safety Rules,
  - iii. violation of the OCMA Waiver,
  - iv. the act or omission is detrimental to OCMA or to model aviation,

- v. the individual has contacted any of OCMA's Stakeholders directly,
- vi. the individual has caused discontent among the membership,
- vii. the individual is known to bully members, or
- viii. the individual has willfully brought any currently expelled member to the field

15.4 If the violation is serious enough, the OCMA BoD can schedule an emergency or regular meeting and by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the OCMA Officers may impose an immediate temporary suspension pending the review procedure, as described in Section 15.5 of Article XV. Upon receiving a temporary suspension, the member must surrender their key and badge. Notice of immediate temporary suspension will be mailed to the member via certified mail to the last known address of the member.

15.5 Expulsion from membership is subject to the following procedures and rights.

- A. A written statement of formal charges against a member suspected of such an act or omission and a written notice of proposed expulsion from membership, stating the date, time, and place where such action is to be considered by the OCMA BoD, shall be drafted under the direction of the President.
- B. At least fifteen (15) days before such action is to be considered, the written statement of formal charges and the written notice of proposed expulsion shall be mailed by certified mail to the last known address of the member. The written statement of formal charges and the written notice of proposed expulsion shall be e-mailed to each member of the OCMA BoD and Participating Club Delegates.
- C. The charges and proposed expulsion shall be considered by the OCMA BoD in a hearing at the date, time, and place specified in the notice of proposed expulsion. At the hearing, the member charged shall have an opportunity to present a defense, and a record of the proceedings shall be kept.
- D. The vote of the OCMA BoD regarding the proposed expulsion shall be by secret ballot. To assure neutrality, any member of the OCMA BoD representing the member charged or representing any party aggrieved by the acts or omissions under inquiry shall be disqualified from attending the hearing or voting upon the question of expulsion, and the two-thirds (2/3) majority vote necessary for expulsion shall be determined as if the OCMA BoD were reduced by the number of its members so disqualified.
- E. The member will be allowed to be heard by the OCMA Board of Directors, orally or in writing, not less than five (5) days before the effective date of the expulsion, termination or suspension. A majority OCMA Board of Directors has the authority to decide that the proposed expulsion, termination or suspension does not take place. If there is not a majority in agreement, the proposed expulsion, termination or suspension will take place.

15.6 Any member who is expelled from membership may be reinstated to membership only by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the OCMA BoD.

15.7 The OCMA BoD shall have the authority to provide for and to impose disciplinary action for such acts or omissions described in 15.3 of Article which do not justify expulsion from membership.