

METRO AREA PERSONAL COMPUTER CLUB OFFICIAL BY-LAWS:

Article 1 - NAME OF ORGANIZATION

The name of the organization shall be 'METRO AREA PERSONAL COMPUTER CLUB'. >>>See amendment 6/18/96<<<

Article 2 - PURPOSE

The purpose of the club is to be of service to the beginner and the advanced user alike, in addition to whatever civic project the general membership decides on, for the betterment, and help that our club can be to our area.

Article 3 - MEETING DATE AND TIME

The meetings shall be held on the third (3rd) Tuesday of each month at a place, and time of the memberships choosing.

Article 4 - DUES

The dues of the club shall be \$15.00 per individual member, or \$20.00 for family membership. (Family Membership shall include primary member and/or immediate family member(s) residing in same residential home). Dues shall be due and payable commencing on the 21st of October 1986, and thereafter, for a membership period of one year from the date of payment of such dues. As the renewal period occurs, said member will have thirty(30) day's grace period, for renewal of membership, then if payment is not received, shall be dropped from mailing list, active member list. If dues are paid during this 'grace period', membership will be resumed from the prior 'due-date' for a period of one year.

Article 5 - <section 1> ELECTIVE OFFICES

The elective officers of the club shall be President & Vice President, (on one ticket), Secretary and Treasurer.

VOLUNTARY OFFICERS

The Voluntary Officers of the club shall be Newsletter Editor, Web Master, Librarian and other officers so deemed necessary by the membership. >>>See amendment 01/18/00<<<

Section 2 - COMBINED OFFICES

The offices may be combined in any combination. Election of President and Vice President shall be (as amended 11/87) on a joint ticket, (the President choosing his Vice President prior to the election).

Article 6 - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

President:

To conduct the meeting in a proper and orderly manner and to lead the various discussions unless a discussion leader has been appointed. To be the ex-officio head of all committees and to be responsible for the completion of a committees function. To be aware of the happenings within the club and be able to direct the membership in a manner so as to have the club grow to the benefit of the membership.

Vice President:

To act in the place of the President in all functions, should the President not be able, or present, to fulfill his duties.

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Secretary:

To handle the correspondence of the club and keep such minutes of the meetings as deemed necessary by the membership. To provide the Newsletter Editor with a current copy of the meeting minutes.

Treasurer:

To collect and/or receive the dues from the membership and/or other officers, and any other monies that shall be offered to the club, (unless otherwise designated). To maintain proper and accurate accounting of the income and disbursements of the club from/to whatever source. A checking account in the name of the club to be established in a recognized banking institution and shall require the signature of either the Treasurer, President, or Vice President. To provide the Newsletter Editor with a current list with any additions or deletions of membership for the purpose of mailing the newsletter, or contacting said members. This list is to be private and not generally available to any other organization, in other words, 'not for sale', and to notify the membership when dues are due and payable.

Librarian:

To maintain the club library of magazines, tapes, disks and programs, and to be responsible for the loan and return, in good condition, to all club members, any item in the club library.

Newsletter Editor(s):

To be responsible for the accumulation of newsworthy items, to arrange such items and any information forthcoming and publish or cause to be published, a monthly newsletter for the information of the membership, (via printed page and/or on the Web Site).

Web Master(s) >>>see amendment 01/18/00<<<

To be responsible for the operation of the WEB SITE, to monitor its operation to ensure it is operating in accordance with the wishes of the club membership. To see that any and all periodic maintenance is performed on schedule, and to make known to officers if major repairs are needed and have them accomplished if approved by said officers.

Article 7 - TERM OF OFFICE

The officers shall serve for a term of one (1) year. Should a vacancy occur, the vacated position may be filled by appointment of the President with the concurrence of or by a vote of the general membership. Such person shall serve for the remainder of the term of office.

Article 8 - ELECTIONS

Elections of new officers shall take place during the meeting held in the month of MAY, (or the month following the nominations). Candidates for office shall be nominated from the floor during the APRIL meeting, (or the meeting one month before the general election). Generally accepted procedures for nominating a candidate shall prevail. Voting shall be by paper ballot and counted by two (2) members not presently club officers or nominated candidates. A slate of officers may be returned to office for another year by a unanimous vote of the attending membership. Note: a household membership shall entitle each personally signed-up member of that household the privilege of voting. The new slate of officers shall take office at the next monthly meeting following the election. The intervening time shall be used by the outgoing and incoming officers as a time of transition so that there may be an orderly turnover of duties.

Article 9 - COMMITTEES

Committees shall be formed as needed and shall last as long as the project is in operation. The committee members may be volunteers, appointed and/or voted on by the general membership.

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Article 10 - AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS

These by-laws may be amended by a majority vote of the general membership after presentation and discussion, (at least one regularly scheduled meeting prior to the actual vote). Passage of the amendment shall require a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the general membership in attendance at a regularly scheduled meeting. (Absentee ballot permitted for general election, and by-law amendments only). Amendments shall become effective immediately upon acceptance by the general membership.

Article 11 - VOTING RIGHTS

Voting rights shall be extended to all current dues paid members. Each individual 'household' member must be personally signed-up before being eligible to vote.

Article 12 - ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Absentee ballots must be cast anytime after the nominations are made, but before the meeting at which the actual vote will take place. They must be cast by the person they represent, in writing and mailed, or personally presented to one of the officers on or before the day of the vote.

End of by-laws

Adopted and instituted this 21st day of October, 1986

>>>**Amendment 6/18/96:**From this date forward, the name shall be changed from "METRO AREA COLOR COMPUTER CLUB" to "METRO AREA PERSONAL COMPUTER CLUB", as per motion made 5/21/96. This motion voted on and accepted this 18th day of June 1996.

>>>**Amendment 1/18/00:** From this date forward, the voluntary officer position of BBS SYSOP will be changed to read WEB MASTER. The elective Officer position of Librarian will be listed as a Voluntary Officer position. This motion voted on and accepted this 15th day of February 2000.