



BYLAWS OF THE BALLOONING SOCIETY OF PIKES PEAK
(originally established May, 1981)

ARTICLE I

Name

Section 1 The name of this organization is the Ballooning Society of Pikes Peak.

ARTICLE II

Purpose

Section 1 The purposes of this organization are:

- a. To operate a private club for the conduct of sport ballooning.
- b. To promote, develop and aid the art and science of ballooning.
- c. To supervise and document official ballooning competitions and record attempts in the vicinity of Pikes Peak in accordance with the requirements of state, national and international organizations.
- d. To support annual balloon event(s).

ARTICLE III

Membership

Section 1 There shall be two types of memberships – family and individual.

- a. A family membership shall have two votes.
- b. An individual membership shall have one vote.

Section 2 Annual dues shall be recommended by the Board of Directors and approved by a majority vote at a regular or special meeting of the general membership. One year's annual dues shall accompany all membership applications.

Section 3 Membership and renewal periods shall be for a minimum of twelve calendar months. Membership dues will be prorated for the current year to align new members with the June membership renewal cycle.

ARTICLE IV

Meetings

Section 1 Regular meetings shall be held in each of the months of January through November. No meeting shall be held in the month of December.

Section 2 The regular meeting in November shall be known as the annual meeting and shall be for the purpose of electing directors, receiving reports of officers and committees and for any other business that may arise.

Section 3 All members of good standing in attendance shall have their right to vote on all business conducted at regular or special meetings of the Society, except absentee ballots will be allowed, upon request, for the annual Board of Directors election. Completed absentee ballots must be received by the Secretary prior to the beginning of the annual meeting.



Section 4 Special meetings may be called as needed by the President or Board. Notice must be given to the membership by telephone, email or mail.

Section 5 A quorum shall consist of ten voting members.

ARTICLE V

Officers and Duties

Section 1 The Board of Directors shall elect the officers from among the Board at the first meeting of the Board held after the annual meeting.

Section 2 The officers of the society shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer.

Section 3 Duties of Officers are described in detail in the operating rules.

- a. The President shall be the chief administrative officer of the Society and shall preside at all meetings of the society and shall also serve as Chairperson of the Board of Directors. He/She shall appoint standing and special committees as the need may arise.
- b. The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in the absence of the President.
- c. The Secretary shall maintain a complete and accurate record of all Society and Board meetings. He/She shall undertake correspondence and publishing as directed by the President. The Secretary will issue notices of all meetings in advance and supervise all elections. He/She shall maintain a roster of members.
- d. The Treasurer shall maintain accurate financial records for the Society. He/She shall receive and disperse funds of the Society and shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, all tax and financial statements as required.

Section 4 All Officers and Directors shall bring to the annual meeting all official records of the Society.

Section 5 No Officer or Director of the Society shall receive any salary or compensation, except for any authorized expenses incurred in the Society's business.

Section 6 The term of office for the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be for one year and run from annual meeting to annual meeting or until a successor is elected.



ARTICLE VII

Board of Directors

- Section 1 The Board of Directors shall consist of five or seven members elected by the voting members. The President shall serve as Chairperson.
- Section 2 Each Board member shall serve for three years, with the exception of six board members of the initial Board. Three members of the initial Board shall serve one-year terms, three shall serve two-year terms, and three shall serve three-year terms. At each annual meeting, the expired terms shall be filled by election by the voting members. A vacancy occurring during the term of an elected Director shall be filled by the Board for the unexpired term. Directors shall take office upon adjournment of the meeting at which they were elected. No one may serve more than two consecutive terms (six years) but may run for election after a one-year absence from the Board.
- Section 3 Board meetings may be called upon a ten-day notice by the President or by three or more Directors. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and a majority of those present at any duly constituted meeting shall carry a vote. In the event a Director shall fail to attend two successive Board meetings, he/she may be removed from the Board by the remaining Board members. If removed, a successor shall be elected by the Board for the remainder of the unexpired term.
- Section 4 The Board of Directors shall have, and may exercise, all of the powers of the Society and shall provide management of its affairs, including the management of property, funds and personnel.

ARTICLE VIII

Discipline

- Section 1 Complaints against members shall be received and considered by the Board of Directors. All complaints shall be made in writing and have sufficient documentation to substantiate the complaint which shall also be in writing.
- Section 2 Any member against whom a complaint is filed shall be notified in writing by the President of the charges made against him/her and shall be afforded a hearing in person before a quorum of the Board of Directors.
- Section 3 The Board of Directors shall have the power to terminate the membership of any member. No member shall lose his/her membership unless the charges made against him/her have been sustained by a two-thirds vote of the members of the Board of Directors. The decision of the Board of Directors shall be final.



ARTICLE IX

Authority

The rules contained in the current edition of **ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER, NEWLY REVISED**, shall govern the Society in all cases to which they are applicable. In cases where they are not consistent with these bylaws, the Society may adopt special rules of order.

ARTICLE X

Amendments

These bylaws can be amended at any regular meeting of the society by a two-thirds vote of the voting members in attendance, providing that the amendment has been submitted in writing at the previous regular meeting.

ARTICLE XI

Dissolution

In the event of the dissolution of the Society, all assets shall be assigned to an educational or charitable organization chosen by the membership in accordance with IRS 501 (c) (3). No funds shall inure to any member.

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