

# **QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION, INC.**

## **CHAPTER #126**

### **CONSTITUTION**

#### **ARTICLE I**

Section 1. This Chapter shall be known as Piedmont NC QCWA #126.

Section 2. The purpose of this Chapter shall be:

- A. To subscribe to the aims and purposes of the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc.
- B. To promote friendship and co-operation among Amateur Radio (Wireless) operators who were licensed as such at least a quarter of a century ago.
- C. To operate exclusively for charitable, educational, and scientific purposes.
- D. To operate as a non profit organization.
- E. No part of the income of this Chapter shall be to the benefit of any member, director, or officer of the Chapter.
- F. No part of the activities of the Chapter shall include participating in or intervening in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.
- G. In the event of dissolution, all of the remaining assets and property of the Chapter shall, after necessary expenses thereof, be distributed to such organizations as shall qualify as non profit.

#### **ARTICLE II**

##### **MEMBERSHIP**

Section 1. Any person is eligible for membership who submits satisfactory proof that he or she is a current member of the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc.

Section 2. Any member may withdraw from membership in the Chapter by presenting a written resignation to the Chapter President.

Section 3. A member may be expelled for violation of the By-Laws of the Chapter or for other cause prejudicial to the best interests of the Chapter. Such expulsion may be effected by affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Board of Directors at a duly called meeting.

#### **ARTICLE III**

##### **GOVERNMENT**

Section 1. The officers of the Chapter shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and three Directors.

Section 3. The Board of Directors will include the Immediate Past President and two Directors to be elected by the membership at a duly called meeting.

Section 4. The Board of Directors shall meet at least once each year. The President, or any three Directors may call for a meeting. At least four members of the Board must be present to constitute a quorum.

Section 5. If a vacancy occurs among the officers, or Directors, such vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

##### **MEETINGS**

Section 1. Meetings will be held quarterly, or more often by a majority vote of Members present at a duly called meeting.

#### **ARTICLE V**

##### **FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS**

Section 1. Non-budget expenditures up to an amount of \$75 must be approved by a quorum of the Board of Directors. Larger expenditures require approval of a majority of the Members present at a duly called Meeting.

#### **ARTICLE VI**

##### **AMENDMENTS**

Section 1. Amends to this Constitution may be made by a majority of the Members present at a duly called meeting attended by a minimum of one third of the membership.

#### **BY-LAWS**

##### **ARTICLE I**

##### **DUES**

Section 1. Each applicant for membership shall first be a member in good standing in the National QCWA organization. Each applicant for membership shall remit one years dues of \$7.00. If an applicant applies on October 1 or later in the current year, his/her \$7.00 shall cover the succeeding year with no cost for the current final quarter.

Section 2. Any member whose dues are in arrears one year after the due date shall automatically be dropped from the membership.

Section 3. A life membership status is now available for \$70.00 (Current Chapter dues times 10 years.) This status is available to all Chapter members desiring a life membership. Again, you have to be in good standing with your national dues. (or have a National life member status.)

Section 4. YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A LIFE MEMBER OF NATIONAL TO BECOME A LIFE MEMBER OF CHAPTER 126.

## **ARTICLE II**

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall have control over the property and affairs of the Chapter, and shall fix its policies. It shall have the power to hold meetings and appoint Committees.

Section 2. Meetings of the Board of Directors may, at the call of the President, be convened and taken by mail, radio, or electronic communications.

Section 3. Each Director shall serve for a term of one (1) year.

## **ARTICLE III**

### **DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

Section 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Chapter and of the Board of Directors. He shall appoint such Committees as he or the Board of Directors shall consider expedient or necessary.

Section 2. In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall perform his duties. In the absence of both the President and the Vice President, such officers as may be present shall select a member of the Board to assume the duties of the President.

Section 3. The Secretary shall record the proceedings of all meetings, prepare a letter to the General Manager of the Quarter Century Wireless Association Inc. of current Chapter activities four (4) times a year.

Section 4. The Treasurer shall be responsible for the funds of the Chapter and shall be accountable to the Members. A Treasurer's report of funds shall be made at each regular meeting, and at the request of the President of the Board of Directors.