



Constitution for the Capitol Club Chapter of the Washington D.C. Metropolitan Area

ASSOCIATION of OLD CROWS (AOC)

Article I: Name

The name of the Club shall be the Capitol Club Chapter, "Association of Old Crows," and may be known as the "Capitol Club."

Article II: Mission, Aims, and Purposes

The Capitol Club Chapter of the Association of Old Crows will be the premier professional organization serving the Electronic Warfare and Information Operations community in the Washington, DC area. As such, the Capitol Club is formed to provide an organization consistent with the aims and purposes of the AOC for individuals who have a common interest in Electronic Warfare (EW) as well as its potential relevance to associated activities such as Electromagnetic Spectrum Operations (EMSO), Information Operations (IO), and Cyber Operations (CO). The Capitol Club is comprised of members who wish to foster and preserve the art of Electronic Warfare by advocacy across the community (academia, industry, government), to recognize the advances and contributions to Electronic Warfare, to document the history of Electronic Warfare and to commemorate fittingly the memory of fellow "Crows."

Article III: Composition and Nature

SECTION 1: The Capitol Club will be civilian in nature and shall not be used for the dissemination of partisan principles, or the promotion of the candidacy of any person seeking public office or preferment, or for the promotion of any commercial enterprise.

SECTION 2: The Capitol Club will operate as a 501(c) 6 for Operations and operate as a 501(c) 3 Organization as the Capitol Club Educational Foundation.

Article IV: Membership

SECTION 1. MEMBERSHIP. The membership shall be in strict accordance with the classes defined in the AOC's Constitution (Ref. OpMan 12, Regular, and Honorary).

Members will be assigned by the AOC using criteria specified by the AOC.

SECTION 2. TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP. Any member of the Capitol Club, who is in good standing, may transfer his membership to any other Chapter, provided the member resides or be regularly employed in the general vicinity of the new Chapter.

Article V: Organization

SECTION 1. ORGANIZATION. The Capitol Club shall be affiliated with the Mid-Atlantic Region and the AOC, with each member accredited to the International Association. The Capitol Club will be comprised of members normally within the geographic metropolitan area of Washington, D.C. and the adjacent areas who have an active interest in the Electronic Warfare and Information Operations related fields.

SECTION 2. CLUB MEETINGS. The Capitol Club shall hold meetings to accomplish the Mission, Aims, Purposes, and conduct of Club business.

SECTION 2.A. REGULAR MEETINGS. The Capitol Club will normally meet once a month or at least three times each year other than during the summer months as called by the President with consensus of the Board of Directors. An announcement of the planned meeting dates will be published at the beginning of each season (fall, winter, spring, summer).

SECTION 2.B. SPECIAL MEETINGS. The club shall meet in special sessions upon the call of the President, acting under authority granted by a majority of the Club's Board of Directors.

SECTION 2.C. NOTIFICATION. Notification of meetings shall be announced in available public media (mail, e-mail, web site, social media, etc.), not less than seven (7) days prior to the meeting date.

SECTION 2.D. MEMBERSHIP PARTICIPATION. Each Regular Member of the Club shall be entitled to one vote in all proceedings.

SECTION 2.E. QUORUM. Those Regular Members present at a duly announced meeting shall constitute a quorum.

SECTION 2.F. CLUB YEAR OF OPERATIONS. The Club year of operations shall commence on 1 July and terminate on the following 30 June.

Article VI: Annual Dues

SECTION 1. ASSOCIATION DUES. The AOC dues shall be payable to the International Association. Membership in the International AOC is required for a member to be a member of the Capitol Club.

SECTION 2. CAPITAL CLUB DUES. The Capital Club may levy annual Club membership not to exceed ½ the International AOC membership fees if authorized by the Club Board of Directors.

Article VII: Officers and Directors

SECTION 1. ELIGIBILITY. All Officers and Directors (elected/appointed) shall be members of the Capitol Club IAW Article IV of the Capitol Club Constitution.

SECTION 2. OFFICERS. The Officers of the Capital Club shall be the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

SECTION 3. ELECTED OFFICERS. The President shall be elected by the Capitol Club membership and will serve for a period of two (2) years. No person may be elected to the Office of President for more than one (1) consecutive term.

SECTION 4. APPOINTED OFFICERS. The Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer shall be appointed by the elected President. The appointments shall be made from the elected Directors of the Capitol Club. They shall serve for a period of one (1) year and thereafter as appointed by the President until successors have been appointed by the new President.

SECTION 5. DIRECTORS. There shall be twelve (12) elected Directors. They shall be elected for a period of three (3) years. One-third (1/3) of the total number of elected Directors shall be elected each year. Directors cannot serve more than two consecutive elected terms as members of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 6. VACANCIES. In the case of any vacancy in any office, it shall be filled by appointment of the President, with the concurrence of a majority of the Board of Directors, for the remainder of the unexpired terms and thereafter until a successor is appointed. In the event of a vacancy occurring in the office of the President, the office shall be assumed by the Vice-President until the next Presidential election.

SECTION 7. VOTING. All regular Members of the Capitol Club shall exercise the right of voting. Voting will be by ballot or electronically.

Article VIII: Board of Directors

SECTION 1. COMPOSITION. The Directors, Officers, and immediate past President of the Capitol Club shall comprise the elected Board of Directors.

SECTION 2. POWERS. Between official Capitol Club official meetings, the administrative power of the Capitol Club shall be vested in the Board of Directors. The Board, may, by two-thirds (2/3) vote of its membership, adopt or amend the By-Laws of the Capitol Club.

Article IX: Committees

SECTION 1. STANDING COMMITTEES. The Capitol Club shall identify standing committees necessary to conduct the Club's business in the By-Laws. The President, annually, shall designate the Chairman, and appoint members when necessary to fill vacancies.

SECTION 2. SPECIAL COMMITTEES. Either the Club membership duly assembled, the Board of Directors, or President, may create special committees and define their respective powers and duties.

Article X: Discipline

SECTION 1. The Capitol Club shall refer any member who is convicted of a felony, membership in any subversive activity, or any misconduct in his relations to his Association to the International Board of Directors for action IAW with the AOC Constitution and OpMan 15 Code of Ethics.

Article XI: Amendments

SECTION 1. This Constitution may be amended, but only by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the voting Regular Membership of the Club by ballot (paper or electronic). The Secretary shall give notice of the proposed amendment to such members at least thirty (30) days before the amendment is offered for final adoption.

Article XII: Conformity

SECTION 1. The provisions of this Constitution and By-Laws shall be subject to the Constitution and By-Laws of the International Association, as presently provided or as the same might hereafter be amended. In the event of the inconsistency between the provisions of this Constitution and By-Laws, and the Constitution and By-Laws of the International Association, then the provisions of the International Constitution and By-Laws shall govern and prevail.

Article XIII: Effective Date

SECTION 1. This Constitution shall take effect immediately upon receipt of notice of approval by the Constitution Committee of the International Association.