

CHICAGO RAILROAD MECHANICAL ASSOCIATION

CHICAGO RAILROAD DIESEL CLUB – CHICAGO RAILROAD CAR ASSOCIATION

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BY-LAWS

Article 1 – Meetings and Events

Section 1. Meetings of The Association shall be held at such time as may be designated by the Board of Directors. The Secretary-Treasurer shall notify each member of any change in time or place of meeting in a reasonable period of time.

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall meet at least four (4) times each fiscal year, with meetings scheduled during the months of November, January, March and May. Additionally, the annual meeting will be held on a date to be determined in August. Fifty percent (50%) of the Board members shall constitute a quorum.

Section 3. Board of Directors members must be present at the time and place that BOD meetings are scheduled in order to be considered “in attendance”; attendance by proxy or by teleconference do not constitute being “in attendance” for BOD meetings and are strictly prohibited. Any member of the Board of Directors who shall be absent from three (3) out of any five (5) consecutive BOD meetings, either during a fiscal year or over portions of two (2) consecutive fiscal years, may be dropped from appointment on the Board and her/his place declared vacant and replaced as stated in Article III, Section 1.

Section 4. Annual events (October golf outing, Christmas party, spring dinner dance, June golf outing, etc.) shall be open to all members of The Association who have paid dues for the current fiscal year, along with the member’s invited guests.

Article II – Dues

Section 1. Company Memberships - Rail Transportation (Railroad) Companies, Locomotive Leasing Companies, Private Freight Car Lines and Leasing Companies, Car and/or Locomotive Building or Repair Companies, Railway Supply Companies, Industry or Government Associations (State, Local or Federal) or Agencies or Motor Freight (Truck) Transportation Companies specializing in the movement of railroad components and equipment.

The dues per fiscal year for this membership will be as determined by the Board of Directors. Dues will be payable in advance and will entitle the members to all privileges of The Association.

Section 2. Individual Memberships (Railroad) – Employees of Rail Transportation (Railroad) Companies, Private Freight Car Lines and Leasing Companies and Industry or Government Associations (State, Local or Federal) or Agencies.

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Section 3. Individual Memberships (Supply) – Employees of Locomotive Leasing Companies, Car and/or Locomotive Building or Repair Companies, Railway Supply Companies and Motor Freight (Truck) Transportation Companies specializing in the movement of railroad components and equipment.

Only after companies specified in this section have taken a company membership are additional employees of those concerns entitled to individual memberships. The dues per fiscal year for this membership will be as determined by the Board of Directors. Dues will be payable in advance and will entitle the members to all privileges of The Association.

Section 4. – Dues should be paid in advance by mail or paid at the door, prior to the first attended meeting of each fiscal year. The Association reserves the right to refuse admission to any company or individual that has not rendered payment prior to any meeting.

Section 5. Retired Members – Dues for the fiscal year for retired members shall be one-half (1/2) of the current annual dues and will be subject to review by the Board of Directors annually.

Article III – Replacement of Officers

Section 1. If an officer of The Association is transferred away from the area and she/he cannot regularly attend meetings during the current fiscal year of her/his current term, she/he will be replaced by the next officer in line.

If the President is the officer transferred prior to January 1, she/he will be granted an honorary presidency.

If there is not a full complement of members on the Board of Directors as a result of a vacancy arising for reason other than a board member being transferred, vacancies other than that of President Ex-Officio will be filled by the Board of Directors. (The first past president is Ex-Officio). If the position of President Ex-Officio is vacated, the first available past president with the same job description as the departing board member (Rail Transportation (Railroad) Company, Locomotive Leasing Company, Private Freight Car Lines and Leasing Companies, Car and/or Locomotive Building or Repair Company, Railway Supply Company, Industry or Government Association (State, Local or Federal) or Agency or Motor Freight (Truck) Transportation Company specializing in the movement of railroad components and equipment) shall be requested to become a member of the Board of Directors in this capacity. This appointment shall remain in effect for the balance of the current term.

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Article IV – Life Memberships

Section 1. The Board of Directors may choose to present life membership to individuals in recognition of distinguished service to The Association.

Article V – Application of Membership

Section 1. Membership application will be submitted on forms provided by The Association and forwarded to the Secretary-Treasurer along with the necessary fee.

Article VI – Fiscal Year

Section 1. The fiscal year shall run from August 1st through July 31st.

Section 2. The annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held prior to the first monthly meeting of every new fiscal year.

Article VII – Dinner Assessments

Section 1. An assessment to defray the cost of monthly dinner meetings shall be payable at the door by all members employed by Locomotive Leasing Companies, Car and/or Locomotive Building or Repair Companies, Railway Supply Companies and Motor Freight (Truck) Transportation Companies specializing in the movement of railroad components and equipment.

Article VIII – Purchases of Goods and Services

Section 1. All purchases of goods and services by / for The Association will be made without conflict of interest. Purchases from Board of Director members, the Secretary-Treasurer, members of their families or companies that are either owned by or employ family members will be strictly prohibited.

Article IX – Rules of Order

Section 1. All business during meetings of The Association or committees shall be transacted in parliamentary manner in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order Revised.

Section 2. Except as otherwise provided for in these By-Laws, all questions of order in the conduct of meetings shall be decided in accordance with Roberts' Rules of Order Revised.

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