

Constitution of UAH Space Hardware Club

Article I Name of the Organization

Section 1. The name of the organization shall be known as UAH Space Hardware Club, hereafter referred to as “The Club.”

Article II Purpose of The Club

Section 1. The purpose of The Club is to develop a new generation of engineers and scientists who gain real-world experience by developing space-related hardware and performing outreach.

Article III Membership of The Club

Section 1. Membership to this organization is open to any student of The University of Alabama in Huntsville.

Section 2. The Club does not and shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, gender expression, age, disability, marital status, sexual orientation, or military status, in any of its activities or operations. We aim to provide an inclusive and welcoming environment for all Members.

Section 3. Any Member who is no longer enrolled in the University of Alabama in Huntsville loses their Membership.

Article IV Executive Board

Section 1. The purpose of the Executive Board is to manage The Club’s projects, finances, and facilities. It shall oversee the activities of The Club’s Members and Official Teams.

Section 2. The Executive Board shall be made up of voting positions and can have temporary non-voting positions.

Section 3. The voting positions of the Executive Board shall be: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Network Administrator and all Team Leads.

Section 4. Each voting member of the Executive Board shall only have one vote.

Section 5. The President may create a temporary non-voting position on the Executive Board and appoint a Member to that position.

Section 6. A second position can be established for the positions of: Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary.

Section 7. The President, Vice President, Treasurer, or Secretary may be impeached by a Super Majority vote of Members at a General Meeting and the approval of the Faculty Advisor. If the Faculty Advisor approves of the removal, the individual in question shall be removed from their position. The removed individual may not return to the Executive Board in the next election cycle.

Section 8. If there is a vacancy in the positions of President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, BalloonSat Team Lead, or Outreach Team Lead, then the position shall be filled by an election at the next General Meeting.

Section 9. If there is a vacancy in the position of Network Administrator, the position shall be filled by an eligible Member elected by the Executive Board.

Article V Duties of the Executive Board

Section 1. President: Shall preside over all General Meetings. Shall serve as the official representative of The Club in all matters pertaining to the university. Shall run elections for the election cycle following his or her previous term in office. Shall carry out other duties and responsibilities designated by Bylaws.

Section 2. Vice-President: Shall preside over all Executive Board Meetings. Shall perform any duties that the President designates them to complete. Shall, in the case of the vacancy of the position of President, take the position of Interim-President while maintaining the position of Vice-President. (The position of Interim-President, which holds all of the responsibilities and duties of President, shall cease to exist with the election of a new President.) Shall carry out other duties and responsibilities designated by Bylaws.

Section 3. Treasurer: Shall supervise the budget within The Club and correspond with the Faculty Advisor about finances. Shall give an update of the financial standing of

The Club at all Executive Board Meetings and, if requested by a Member, General Meetings. Shall carry out other duties and responsibilities designated by Bylaws.

Section 4. Secretary: Shall keep minutes and attendance of all General Meetings and Executive Board Meetings. Shall make minutes and attendance public no later than three days after the General Meeting or Executive Board Meeting. Shall read any relevant part of the Constitution or Bylaws when requested. Shall carry out other duties and responsibilities designated by Bylaws.

Section 5. Team Lead: Shall supervise the budget of their Team and maintain minutes and attendance of each of their Team Meetings. Shall present a Team update at each Executive Board Meeting. Shall have the right to designate another member of the Team to give the update and vote on the behalf of the Team. Shall carry out other duties and responsibilities designated by Bylaws.

Section 6. Network Administrator: Shall supervise and manage all administration of computer resources owned and operated by The Club. Shall have access to all data owned and operated by The Club and its Teams. Shall safeguard computer-related hardware and data for The Club and its Teams. Shall carry out other duties and responsibilities designated by Bylaws.

Article VI Elections

Section 1. Election of the President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary shall take place annually.

Section 2. BalloonSat and Outreach Team Leads shall be elected in the same manner as President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary.

Section 3. Team Leads other than BalloonSat and Outreach Team Leads shall be elected on the formation of an Official Team, or annually if the Team lasts longer than a year.

Section 4. The Club shall have an election cycle of one year. Elections to the positions of: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, BalloonSat Team Lead, and Outreach Team Lead shall take place no sooner than the March General Meeting and no later than the April General Meeting.

Section 5. The Executive Board may choose to hold a Special Election at any point during the Fall or Spring semesters. A Special Election ends the terms of President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. A Special Election is held in the same manner as an election, and occurs at the next General Meeting. This may occur only by a Hyper Majority vote of the Executive Board.

Section 6. Any Member who has not been disqualified, who has been in The Club for one election cycle and who does not graduate within their term may be nominated for the position of President.

Section 7. Any Member who has not been disqualified and does not graduate within their term may be nominated for the positions of Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, BalloonSat Team Lead, and Outreach Team Lead.

Article VII Publications

Section 1. All publications pertaining to The Club must be approved by the Executive Board before publication.

Article VIII Amendments

Section 1. After a notification to the Executive Board at least one week prior to a General Meeting, an amendment to the Constitution can be presented at the next General Meeting. To pass the Amendment, a Super Majority vote of Members is required.

Section 2. A replacement of the Constitution and Bylaws can be passed by a Hyper Majority vote of the Executive Board and then a Super Majority vote of Members.