# **SCARS CONSTITUTION**

Clinton, North Carolina, as amended on 4/12/2014

### PREAMBLE

We, the members of SAMPSON COUNTYAMATEUR RADIO SERVICE, (SCARS) Inc., wishing to secure for ourselves the pleasures and benefits from association of persons with a common interest in Amateur Radio, do hereby adopt and enact this constitution as our governing law. It shall be our purpose to further the exchange of information and cooperation between members, to promote radio knowledge, fraternalism, individual operating efficiency, and to so conduct SCARS programs and activities as to advance the general interest in and welfare of Amateur Radio in the community. It also shall be our purpose to provide, to the community, in cases of emergency, any and all radio communications within our capabilities.

### Article I

Membership: All persons interested in amateur radio communication (Communication between amateur radio stations solely with a personal aim and without pecuniary interest) shall be eligible for active or inactive membership as provided for in the By-Laws.

# Article II

Officers: Section 1 -

The officers of SCARS shall be: President, Vice-President, Secretary/Treasurer and Recorder. No member may be elected to more than one office simultaneously.

Section 2 -

The Officers of SCARS will be elected at the October meeting each year and will serve for one year, effective in January following elections.

Section 3 -

Vacancies occurring between elections will ordinarily be filled by an election at the first regular meeting following the withdrawal or resignation of the incumbent, for the remainder of the vacated term,

Section 4 -

Officers may be removed from office by a vote of two-thirds of the membership.

### **ARTICLE III**

### **DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

#### Section 1 -

The President shall preside at all of meeting of SCARS. He shall enforce observance of this Constitution and of the By-Laws, decide all questions of order, upon the approval of SCARS, sign all official documents, and performs all other customary duties pertaining to the office of President.

#### Section 2 -

The Vice-President shall assume duties assigned by the President, and shall fulfill the duties of the President in his absence.

#### Section 3 -

The Secretary/Treasurer shall process and maintain all records and correspondence, shall receive, disburse and accurately account for all monies of SCARS. He shall, at the expiration of his term, turn over everything in his possession belonging to SCARS, to his successor.

### Section 4 -

The Recorder shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings, maintain attendance records, determine quorums and record this information in an official journal. He shall collect and maintain all historical records of SCARS. He shall, at the expiration of his term, turn over everything in his possession belonging to SCARS, to his successor.

# **ARTICLE IV**

MEETINGS: The By-Laws shall provide for regular and special meetings. At meetings, a minimum of FIVE <u>active</u> members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

## ARTICLE V

DUES: SCARS, by a majority vote of the membership, may levy dues assessments as provided for in the By-Laws. Non-payment of dues or assessments shall normally be cause for termination of membership in SCARS.

# **ARTICLE VI**

PROGRAMS: SCARS shall maintain a program to foster and promote public relations, and such other programs as may be adopted by the membership.

### ARTICLE VII

AMENDMENTS: This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present at a regular or special meeting of SCARS, provided; that proposed amendments have been submitted in writing at a regular meeting, all members have been notified of intent to vote on an amendment or change, and members have been notified of the date on which the vote will be taken.

# **ARTICLE VIII**

RULES: "Robert's Rules of Order" shall govern all meetings.

### ARTICLE IX

DOCUMENT ACCESSABILITY: A copy of the Constitution and By-Laws will be maintained by the Secretary/Treasurer and will be kept current as amendments and changes occur. This copy will be available to the membership at all meetings.