

Central Alabama Chapter of the National Weather Association

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I: NAME

This organization shall be known as the Central Alabama Chapter of the National Weather Association.

ARTICLE II. OBJECTIVES

The objective of the organization shall be to promote the science of meteorology through networking of individuals with a common interest in weather.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

Membership is open to anyone interested in meteorology and its related fields, pays the annual dues, and agrees to abide by the requirements of this Constitution and By-laws.

Membership in the National Weather Association is encouraged but not required for local membership.

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS

Officers of the local chapter shall consist of President, Vice-President, and Secretary/Treasurer. Their term of office shall be for a period of one year.

Officers shall be members in the National Weather Association.

Officers shall be elected in accordance with Article IX.

The Executive Committee shall fill any vacated office.

The President shall report directly to the Executive Director of the National Weather Association.

ARTICLE V. COMMITTEES

There shall be only one standing committee: The Executive Committee, which shall consist of the elective officers and the past president.

Additional committees shall be created at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VI. MEETINGS

The Executive Committee shall set the dates and locations of the regular meetings.

There shall be a minimum of four regular meetings per year. One meeting shall be held in each of the following quarters: January-March, April-June, July-September, and October-December.

All regular meetings shall be announced by electronic mail at least 30 days prior to the meeting.

The business portion of the regular meeting will take place at the beginning of the meeting.

ARTICLE VII. DUES

Annual dues shall be an amount specified by the Executive Committee.

Dues shall be paid before April 1.

Dues are valid for a calendar year and will not be prorated or refunded.

ARTICLE VIII. FINANCES

The President or Vice-President must authorize all expenditures of Chapter funds.

Expenditures of Chapter funds more than \$100.00 must be documented and signed by all Chapter officers. The document must include the reason for the expenditure, the signature of each officer, and dated.

All Chapter funds will be held in bank account and financial statements will be presented during the business portion of the regular scheduled meeting.

ARTICLE IX. VOTING PROCEDURES

Nominations for Candidates for the New Year will be open on November 15 and close on November 30. If only one person is nominated for a position, that person will automatically be elected. If more than one person is nominated for an office, the person receiving a majority of the votes will be elected. Voting will take place by electronic mail. If someone does not have electronic mail, a letter will be mailed to the person requesting such. Only members of the local chapter may participate in voting.

ARTICLE X. REVISION OR AMENDMENT TO THE CHAPTER CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

These articles shall be amended or revised when deemed necessary by, and with the concurrence of a two-thirds majority of those members present at a meeting.

ARTICLE XI. NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

This chapter is organized and operated exclusively for nonprofit purposes, and no part of its earnings shall accrue to the benefit of any member.