EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION CHAPTER 187 BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I

1. Experimental Aircraft Association, Chapter 187

ARTICLE II PURPOSE

1. The purpose of the organization is to help further the objectives of the Experimental Aircraft Association, Incorporated of Oshkosh, WI (EAA) by encouraging, aiding and assisting the individuals in the development of aeronautical science, construction, designing and engaging in the promotion of aviation education in public schools and to provide an environment for people interested in all phases of aviation together for the exchanging of ideas and information and to foster fellowship.

ARTICLE III CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP

- 1. <u>Eligibility for Chapter Membership:</u> Eligibility for membership in the Chapter is open to any person who has an interest in recreational aviation subject to the classifications of membership listed in Article III, Section 2.
- Classifications of Chapter Membership: There are five (5) types of Chapter Memberships.
 These Chapter Membership Classifications include; Regular, Family,
 Honorary/Complimentary, Special, and Life. The specific details of these Chapter
 Membership Classifications are described in the following paragraphs:
 - a) Regular Chapter Membership: A Regular Chapter Member shall be any person who pays Chapter dues and is a Member in good standing of EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association, Incorporated).
 - b) Family Chapter Membership: A Family Chapter Membership shall be any family, including parents, and children, who pay the appropriate Chapter Membership dues and are Family Members of EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association, Incorporated).
 - c) Honorary/Complimentary Membership: A Honorary/Complimentary Chapter Member shall be any person to whom the Chapter Officers, Chapter Board of Directors, or Chapter Membership wishes to extend an Honorary Chapter Membership. Honorary/Complimentary Chapter Memberships may be given to a person in recognition or appreciation of the support that person has provided to the Chapter. Honorary/Complementary Chapter Members may not hold any elected or appointed

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Chapter office or position, nor are they entitled to any voting privileges within the Chapter. Honorary/Complimentary Members are not required to be members of EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association Inc.), but the Chapter Office at EAA Headquarters will extend a complimentary one year EAA Membership to any Honorary/Complimentary Chapter Member upon written request from the Chapter Officers, Chapter Board of Directors or Chapter Membership.

- d) Special Chapter Membership: A Special Chapter Member shall be any person, who for temporary or short-term economic reasons is unable to pay the appropriate Chapter Membership dues and to whom the Chapter Officers, Chapter Board of Directors, or Chapter Membership wishes to extend a Chapter Membership. The Chapter Office at EAA Headquarters will extend a one year complimentary EAA Membership to any Special Chapter Member upon written request from the Chapter Officers, Chapter Board of Directors, or Chapter Membership.
- e) Life Chapter Membership: A Life Chapter Membership may be bestowed on an individual Chapter Member at the discretion of the Chapter Officers, Chapter Board of Directors, or Chapter Membership. All Life Chapter Members must be members in good standing of EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association, Incorporated). A Chapter Life Membership recognizes the long-term commitment to EAA and the Chapter made by the individual. A Life Chapter Member may hold any Chapter Office, shall have full voting privileges within the Chapter, and is exempt from annual Chapter dues.
- 3. <u>Duration of Chapter Membership:</u> The Duration of a Regular and Family Chapter Membership shall be one (1) calendar year. Honorary/Complimentary or Special Chapter Memberships may be extended or continued beyond one (1) year at the discretion of the Chapter Officers, Chapter Board of Directors, or Chapter Membership. Life Chapter Membership is continuous for the life of the Chapter Member. Life Chapter Membership is not transferable to another person. All Chapter Members with voting privileges in the Chapter must maintain a current membership with the EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association Incorporated), except for the Honorary/Complimentary Chapter Members.
- 4. <u>Voting Privileges of Chapter Membership:</u> Voting privileges within the Chapter shall be limited to Regular Chapter Members, Family Chapter Members (excluding Children under 18 years of age), Special Chapter Members and Life Chapter Members. Honorary/Complimentary Chapter Members shall not have voting privileges within the Chapter.
- 5. Removal of Chapter Membership: Chapter Membership is a privilege, which requires an appropriate commitment from each Chapter Member. Each Chapter Member shall accept the responsibilities of Chapter Membership, and by acceptance agrees to promote EAA and the Chapter. In the event a Chapter Member fails to meet these requirements, they may be asked to relinquish their Chapter Membership in accordance with the following conditions:

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a) Any Chapter Member, who by intentional negligent or reckless deed or action, harms or jeopardizes the reputation or assets of the Chapter or EAA, may be called before the Chapter Board of Directors and Chapter Officers for review. Upon conclusion of a review, the Chapter Board of Directors and Chapter Officers may upon finding reasonable cause, recommend to the Chapter Membership that said Member be removed from Chapter Membership. Said Member may then be removed, by a majority vote of eligible Members at any regular or special Chapter Membership Meeting where a quorum exists.

- b) Any Chapter Member who fails to remit their Chapter Membership dues or fails to maintain their Membership in the EAA shall be considered removed from Chapter Membership.
- 6. Resignation of Membership: Any Chapter Member may resign their Chapter Membership at any time by delivering to any Chapter Officer a written notice of resignation. The resignation of Chapter Membership shall become effective on the date stated in the written notice. In the event the written notice of resignation does not contain an effective date, the date the Chapter Member delivers the written notice to any Chapter Officer shall become the date of resignation.

ARTICLE IV CHAPTER OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND BOARD

- The Executive Officers of this organization shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary and/or Treasurer.
- b) The Executive Officers shall be elected by the Chapter Membership and serve on the Board of Directors
- Executive Officers and members of the Board of Directors must be current Members of Chapter 187
- d) The President shall call a minimum of one meeting of the Board of Directors annually.
- e) In the event of a permanent inability of the Vice-President or Secretary and/or Treasurer or a Director to perform those duties, the President will, with approval of the Board of Directors, appoint an eligible Chapter Member to complete the unexpired term.
- f) The Executive Officers and Board Members shall be elected to serve two (2) year terms, with the election to be held in October at the Annual Meeting as follows: the Executive Officers (President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer) along with the Past-President's Board position (if vacated) shall be elected in odd-numbered years; the remaining two Board positions shall be elected in even-numbered years. Elected terms will begin on January 1 following their respective elections.
- g) A nominating committee of eligible voting Members appointed by the Board of Directors will present a slate of nominees to the Chapter Membership the month prior to the Annual Meeting. Floor nominations will be in order at the Annual Meeting and a

- majority vote of eligible Members present shall elect. Members of the Nominating Committee shall not be eligible for nomination by the Nominating Committee.
- h) Any Officer who fails to discharge the obligations and responsibilities of his elected office shall be subject to removal upon a petition by one-third of the eligible Chapter Membership present at any regularly scheduled meeting. This petition shall then be brought before the Chapter Membership for a vote. A seventy five percent (75%) vote of the eligible Members present at any regularly scheduled Chapter Meeting shall be necessary to effect removal of said officer.

2. PRESIDENT

- a) The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Chapter and of the Board of Directors. He may call any special meetings of the members of the Boards of Directors and shall have, subject to the advice and control of the Directors, general charge of the business of the Chapter. He shall approve in the name of the Chapter all checks drawn on the Chapter Accounts. He shall execute in the name of the Chapter all contracts with approval of the Board of Directors.
- b) The President will chair all regular meetings or designate the Vice-President or Secretary and/or Treasurer or other Member to do so in the absence of the other elected Officers.
- c) The President may from time-to-time appoint committee chairpersons with duties as assigned subject to the advice and control of the Board of Directors.

3. VICE-PRESIDENT

- a) The Vice-President shall assume and perform the duties of the President in the event of the permanent absence, disability, or inability for any reason of the President to perform his duties.
- b) The Vice-President shall perform such duties connected with the operation of the Chapter as he may undertake at the suggestion of the President.

4. SECRETARY AND/OR TREASURER

- a) The Secretary and/or Treasurer shall keep the minutes of all proceedings of the Chapter and Board of Directors. He shall attend to the giving and serving of notices of all meetings of the Members and otherwise. He shall keep a proper Chapter Membership book showing the names of each Member of the organization. He shall also keep the By-Laws, the seal (if any), and such other books and papers as appropriate. He shall also execute in the name of the Chapter the disbursements authorized by the President and report on a monthly basis a balance sheet reflecting income and disbursements. He shall execute with the President, in the name of the organization, all certificates of membership, contracts, and instruments.
- b) The Secretary and/or Treasurer shall receive and deposit all funds of the organization in the bank selected. He shall also report minutes of the Annual Meeting to National Headquarters.

ARTICLE V BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. The Board of Directors shall consist of the Executive Officers and three other Directors. Two Directors will be proposed by the nominating committee and elected by a majority of the

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- eligible Members at the annual meeting. The outgoing President, with his/her concurrence, will automatically be appointed as the third Director of the Board. If the outgoing President declines, a third Director will be elected as stated in ARTICLE IV above.
- 2. The purpose of the Board is to conduct such business of the Chapter as deemed necessary by the President and/or Board, to disseminate the information and to pass on matters of Chapter Policy.
- 3. Any five (5) members of the Board will constitute a quorum for voting.
- 4. The President shall be a non-voting member of the Board except in the event of a tie vote on any issue.
- 5. A majority vote by the Board is required to decide any issue.
- 6. The Board shall not authorize Chapter expenditures in excess of the amount in the Treasury plus any funds approved by the Chapter Membership.

ARTICLE VI MEETINGS

- 1. All meetings of the Members except as herein otherwise provided, shall be held at a place and time to be determined by the President.
- 2. The Annual Meeting of the organization shall be held in October, at such time and place as the Board of Directors shall determine.
- 3. Except where otherwise specifically requested by a Member to the Chapter Secretary, notice of the Annual Meeting of the Members shall be given by email notice to each Member at his last known email address at least five (5) days prior to such meeting.
- 4. Special Meetings of the Chapter Membership may be called at such time and place as the President may determine, or may be called by written petition of at least thirty percent (30%) of the eligible Members. It shall be the duty of the Secretary and/or Treasurer to call such meeting within thirty (30) days after such demand.
- 5. At any meeting of the Members, a quorum shall consist of one-third of the current voting Chapter Members.
- 6. For the repeal or amendment of the By-Laws, written notice must be given the Chapter Membership five (5) days before such a meeting is held. A majority vote of those eligible Members present shall rule.
- 7. The president, or in his absence the Vice President, or in his absence the Secretary and/or Treasurer, shall call the meeting of the Members to order and shall act as the presiding officer thereof.
- 8. At the Annual Meeting of the Members, Members shall vote on the slate of nominees submitted by the Nominating Committee and any other nominations made at the meeting. Members shall vote by secret ballot.
- 9. At every meeting of the Members, each Member shall have only one (1) vote.

ARTICLE VII
AMENDMENTS

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 These By-Laws may be repealed or amended or new By-Laws adopted at any meeting of the Members called for that purpose by a majority vote present.

ARTICLE VIII DISSOLUTION

1. The Chapter may be dissolved by a two-thirds majority vote of the voting Chapter Members. If the Chapter is dissolved, the Chapter President is responsible for ensuring that all Chapter debts and obligations are paid, and the proper disposition of all Chapter records are sent to the EAA Chapter Office at EAA Headquarters, P.O. Box 3086, Oshkosh, Wisconsin, 54903-3086. The Chapter President is, subject to the advice and control of the Directors, also responsible for the disposition of all Chapter materials and assets that shall be donated to another non-profit organization. (EAA and other EAA Chapters are non-profit organizations).

ARTICLE IX FACILITIES

1. The management and use of Chapter owned or rented facilities and/or equipment, if any, shall be governed by such rules, regulations and fees as may from time-to-time be defined, revised and approved by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE X CHAPTER CHARTER AUTHORIZATION

1. The Chapter accepts and acknowledges that the Chapter has been granted a conditional Charter under the authority of the Experimental Aircraft Association, Incorporated. Further the Chapter accepts and acknowledges that the privileges granted to the Chapter, under a conditional Charter, may be withdrawn in the event the Chapter fails in any way or manner to meet the requirements of the Chapter Charter of the Experimental Aircraft Association, Incorporated. In the event that the Experimental Aircraft Association, Incorporated withdraws the conditional Charter of the Chapter, the Chapter agrees to cease using any reference whatsoever to itself as a Charter Chapter of the Experimental Aircraft Association, Incorporated.

Organization Approvals:

- 1. The Board of Directors on July 11, 2011, by a quorum majority vote, adopted a resolution to propose to the voting Chapter Membership that these By-Laws amend and replace in their entirety any and all previous Experimental Aircraft Association, Chapter 187 By-Laws.
- 2. At the Chapter Membership meeting held on September 8, 2011, 2011, a quorum was present and the resolution to adopt these By-Laws was approved by a majority of the attending voting Chapter Membership.

Acknowledgement and Acceptance on behalf of:

EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION, CHAPTER 187		
Anthony Plattsmier, Chapter President Signature:	Date:	n//11
Ron Panton, Chapter Vice President Signature:	Date:	11/11/11
John Nunn, Chapter Secretary Signature:	Date:	w/w/v
Brad Bellamy, Chapter Treasurer Signature:	Date:	<u>u/u/u</u>
EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION, INCORPORATED Chapter Office (Oshkosh) Representative		
Name: <u>Signature</u> : <u>Branda Underson</u>	Date:	12-19-11