Proposed Amendment IX to the AIAA Minnesota Student Chapter Constitution

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Preamble

WHEREAS the integration of Amendments into the text of the AIAA Minnesota Student Chapter Constitution is allowed in Article VII, Section 3, of the Constitution,

WHEREAS the passage of various amendments affecting the same Section or Article has led to confusion in interpreting the AIAA Minnesota Student Chapter Constitution, and

WHEREAS it is in the best interest of the AIAA membership to have in its possession an up-to-date Constitution,

Now, therefore, the Proposed Amendment IX is brought before the Executive Committee to be debated with the goal of adoption into the AIAA Minnesota Student Chapter Constitution.

Citation

This Proposed Amendment, before adoption into the AIAA Minnesota Student Chapter Constitution, may be cited as “Proposed Amendment IX”, or the “Constitutional Changes Amendment.”
Section 1
a. The Constitution shall have a section added to it, entitled “Revision History”.
b. Article VII, Section 3 shall be amended to read,

“Any amendments agreed upon and subsequently added to the Constitution shall overwrite the existing text which it replaces. The replaced text, along with the dates in which it was in force as part of the Constitution, shall be added to the Constitution Section titled “Revision History”.

c. The document of any adopted Amendment shall be appended to the end of the Constitution.
a. This provision is retroactive to Amendment I.

Section 2
As defined by Amendment I, Article IV, Section 2, shall be changed to be read as follows:

“All officers shall be elected in the beginning of April. The last month of the previous officer’s role will coincide with the first month of the officer-elect. The officer-elect shall remain secondary in the role until the following academic year. This period will be used to pass on knowledge and skills and both officers will fulfill the positions requirements cooperatively. Should an officer be an incumbent, their commitment will begin anew at the closing of the elections. Officers will continue to be elected by a plurality of the members present, providing a quorum is present. Elections shall occur by anonymous ballot. The ballot slips will be closely monitored to ensure election integrity.”

Section 3
Whereas Amendment IV supersedes both Amendments II and III, Article IV, Sections 8 and 9, shall be stricken from the Constitution. To maintain organization, the text in Article IV, Sections 8 and 9 shall be replaced with the following text:

“This section was removed upon passage of Amendment IX.”

Until a point such that additional clauses are added to Article IV, in which Sections 8 and 9 will be re-used.

Section 4
In accordance with Amendment V, Article IV, Section 8 shall be amended to read,

“Each project group directly affiliated with AIAA, including, but not limited to, CanSat, Design Build Fly, RC Club, HyperLoop, and Space Transportation Design, shall nominate a Project Lead Officer to be confirmed by the Executive Board. They shall attend all AIAA Officer Meetings and assume all group administrative and leadership responsibilities. These project groups are strongly encouraged to
establish a board to help fulfill these administrative duties and communicate with
the AIAA board. As these Project Lead Officers will be elected by the Executive
Board, they shall have the voting rights of General and Executive Officers.”

Section 5
In accordance with Amendment VI, Article IV, Section 7, Paragraph 1 shall be amended to
read,

The organization shall have the following executive officer positions: President, Vice
President, Secretary, and Treasurer. These positions shall be filled by any
University of Minnesota student, provided that the criteria outlined in Article IV,
Sections 1-3 are met. The responsibilities and duties of these positions are
detailed below. If such a requirement or duty is unable to be met, the task may be
rearranged temporarily.

Section 6
In accordance with Amendment VII, Article IV, Section 11, Subsection (a) shall be
amended to read,

“The General Officer positions shall be held by any University of Minnesota
student, provided that the criteria outlined in Article IV, Sections 1-3 are met.”

Section 7
In accordance with Amendment VIII, Article IV, Section 9, shall be amended to read,

“If a person holds the title of Executive or General Officer as well as Project Lead
Officer, he or she shall be limited to one vote per affair.”