

STANDING RULES OF THE MICHIGAN CHAPTER OF
THE NINETY-NINES, INC.
As amended 6-11-2023

I. CHAPTERS

- A. Chapter Formation: See International Bylaws and Standing Rule
- B. Division of Presently Chartered Chapter: See North Central Section Standing Rules.
- C. Chapter Dissolution: See International Bylaws and Standing Rules.
- D. Chapter Mergers: See International Bylaws and Standing Rules.

II. CHAPTER OPERATIONS

- A. **Chapter Meetings:** Meetings shall be held on the first Tuesday of each month either virtually or in-person unless changed by the Board at least one week in advance of the published meeting date, or by participation in another chapter activity such as aviation show booths, youth aviation days, compass rose painting, etc. that is planned in lieu of a meeting. Each chapter member must be notified of the time, place and agenda of all chapter meetings and activities at least one week in advance.
- B. **Dues:** Chapter contributions may be collected at the discretion of the chapter by a majority vote of its members. However, such contributions are considered voluntary donations only and lack of payment thereof may not cause termination of membership in The Ninety-Nines, Inc. or in the Michigan Chapter.
- C. The Chapter Chair shall receive expense money as allowed in the current year budget to assist her in fulfilling her obligations to attend Section and International Conventions.
- D. **Membership:**
 - 1) Pilots and student pilots who meet the rules for membership as stated in the International Bylaws of the Ninety-Nines, Inc. shall be members of the Michigan Chapter.
 - 2) Husbands and other supporters of the Michigan Chapter of the Ninety-Nines are eligible for membership as 49½ s. No fees or dues are required. They may become official Friends of the Ninety-Nines through annual membership dues paid to Friends of The Ninety-Nines, Inc.
 - 3) Members may transfer to another chapter or become a Member-at-Large of the section upon the member's request sent to International Headquarters.
- A. **Resignations:** Any chapter officer or member may resign her office and/or membership by submitting a written request to the chapter chairman.
- B. **Terminations:** See Chapter Bylaws for termination of member procedures.
- C. **Activities:** No member shall make a commitment (financial or physical) involving the Michigan Chapter without approval of the Board and/or membership.

III. ANNUAL MEETING

- A. The annual meeting shall be held on the second Saturday of June unless the date is changed by the Board at least one week in advance of the published meeting date.

B. The agenda of the annual meeting shall include:

- 1) The Treasurer's report for the previous year and the proposed budget for the coming fiscal year. The proposed budget shall be approved by a two-thirds vote of the membership present at the annual meeting. The fiscal year of the chapter shall coincide with that of the international organization (June 1 through May 31).
- 2) Any proposed revisions or amendments to the chapter bylaws or standing rules. The proposed amendments or revisions shall have been presented to the Board, the Bylaws Committee and the membership thirty days prior to the annual meeting. Amendments or revisions to the bylaws or standing rules shall be approved by a two-thirds vote of the membership present at the annual meeting.
- 3) During an election year (even numbered years) the newly elected officers shall be introduced and shall begin their terms of service (2 years) immediately following the annual meeting.
- 4) Chapter chairs and committee reports and any other chapter business.

IV. **SECTION AND INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS**

- A. Voting privileges for the chapter meetings shall be governed by the North Central Section standing rules.
- B. Voting privileges for the international meetings shall be governed by the International Bylaws.
- C. See the North Central Section standing rules for chapters hosting a section meeting.
- D. See the North Central Section standing rules for chapter reports due at the spring section meeting.
- E. See the North Central Section SOPs for submitting candidates for North Central Section awards (Governor's Service Award, 49-1/2 Award and Spinning Prop Award) presented at the spring section meeting.
- F. See the North Central Section standing rules for consignment sales at a section meeting.

V. **FISCAL**

- A. The Michigan Chapter of the 99s is a 501(c) (3) tax exempt organization. The Michigan Chapter treasurer is also the Michigan Chapter 501 (c) (3) chairman unless otherwise delegated by the Michigan Chapter Chairman and Treasurer.
- B. The tax exemption status of the Michigan Chapter is held by the North Central Section's 501 (c) (3) identification. It is the responsibility of the chapter to ensure it does not violate the section's 501 (c) (3) status.
- C. It is critically important to ensure smooth transitions when the role is transferred to another chapter member. The North Central Section 501 (c) (3) chairman must be advised immediately of any changes.

VI. **STANDING COMMITTEES**

- A. Standing committees shall include:
 - 1) 501 (c) (3) Committee
 - 2) Airmarking committee Chair
 - 3) Aviation and Events Activities Chair
 - 4) Bylaws and Standing Rules committee chair

- 5) Communications Committee Chair (includes webmaster, newsletter editor, social media coordinator, email coordinator, and Waypoint/99s News coordinator)
- 6) History and Preservation Scrapbook Chair
- 7) Membership committee chair (99s, Friends of the 99s, 49 ½ s)
- 8) Nominating Committee
- 9) Scholarship committee chair (includes AEMSF, First Wings Award coordinator and MAEF (Michigan Aviation Education Foundation) liaison)
- 10) Any other committee chairs as determined by the chapter chairman or Board. The chapter chairman may delete any committees deemed unnecessary.
- 11) The chapter chairman shall appoint all committee chairmen except Nominating Committee Chair.

VII. SCHOLARSHIPS FROM THE MICHIGAN CHAPTER

- A. The Michigan Aviation Education Foundation (MAEF) administers the funds for the Mary von Mach Scholarship, an annual scholarship award to a CAP cadet.
- B. The MAEF administers the Hecksel-Sutherland Scholarship, an annual scholarship award for women with an active interest in the field of aviation.
- C. As these two scholarships are the chapter's major educational and charitable contributions, the chapter shall ensure that they are funded as necessary to award at least one deserving applicant per scholarship per year.
- D. The chapter shall also fund the award banquet ticket price for scholarship recipients and their parents (limited to two parents each).

- VIII. SYMPATHY** Upon the death of a member, the Michigan Chapter will send a \$20.00 contribution to the Mary von Mach Scholarship Fund (\$10.00 for a 49½) in memory of that member (or 49½). A notice of the contribution will be sent to an appropriate survivor.