

ETOWAH HIGH SCHOOL AFJROTC GA-958

KITTY HAWK AIR SOCIETY CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

CONSTITUTION

Preamble

We, the members of the Etowah High School AFJROTC Kitty Hawk Air Society (hereby referred to as the “society”), in order to uphold academic standards and promote further interest in academic achievement, create a closer and more efficient relationship within the AFJROTC program, serve the high school and community, support airpower in its role in national security, and develop patriotism and good citizenship, do hereby establish this constitution.

Article I

1. NAME. This organization will be known as the Etowah High School AFJROTC Kitty Hawk Air Society.
2. OBJECTIVES. The objectives of the Etowah High School AFJROTC Kitty Hawk Air Society shall be to promote higher academic standards, to be of service to the school and community, promote self-confidence and initiative, develop leadership abilities, and to encourage academic excellence and continued educational development in the post high school years. Community service is a major part of the society and each member will not only be required to participate in community service activities but also to lead and track the community service progress of the entire Etowah Cadet Corps.

Article II

1. MEMBERSHIP. There will be three classes of membership: active, honorary, and probationary.
 - a. ACTIVE: An active cadet in the Etowah High School AFJROTC program who meets the following membership requirements may apply for membership:
 - (1) Have and maintain a grade of 90 or higher in all AFJROTC courses.
 - (2) Have and maintain a grade of 90 or higher in all high school classes (weighted).
 - (3) Be a second, third, or fourth year AFJROTC cadet.
 - (4) Complete at least 15 community service hours per semester (20 for officers).
 - b. HONORARY: The superintendent, principal, and the AFJROTC instructors are honorary members. Other individuals can be made honorary members from those recommended by the membership committee.

- c. PROBATIONARY: Any member who fails to meet the standards set forth in Article II, 1a, and any other standards established in the bylaws will be placed on probationary status. Individuals on probationary status may not wear a beret, hold an office within the society, or vote at meetings. Probationary members who meet the requirements for active membership during the next semester will be reinstated to active membership. Those who fail to meet the standards during the next semester grade report will be expelled from the society. Members who are suspended or expelled from school will be expelled from the society.
2. MEMBERSHIP PROCEDURES. At the beginning of each semester grading period, the Kitty Hawk Commander and Deputy Commander will confer with the society advisors and senior cadet staff to determine who can be inducted into the society and/or remain in it. The prospective member(s) must meet the requirements set forth in Article II, 1a before he or she can be inducted into the society. Once all requirements have been met, the application will be submitted to the Kitty Hawk Membership Coordinator for review. The Membership Coordinator, being satisfied that all requirements for active membership have been met, will approve the list of prospective members. The Membership Coordinator may also nominate individuals who made outstanding contributions to the society for honorary membership. Requests for honorary membership should be passed to the Kitty Hawk Commander for consideration and then to society advisors for approval.
3. INDUCTION. Requirements for induction into the society will be set forth in the Bylaws. Induction ceremonies will be held as soon as possible after the beginning of each semester.
4. DUE PROCESS. Members who have been expelled from the society for other than academic reasons may appeal by notifying the Kitty Hawk Commander, in writing, within ten days of notification of expulsion from the society. The Kitty Hawk Commander and Membership Coordinator will review the appeal and make a recommendation to society advisors within five days of receiving the appeal. The society advisors will have the final action and authority. The decision is final.
5. DISCIPLINE. Any officer who has an unexcused absence from two consecutive meetings will be removed from office. Any member who has three consecutive, or five cumulative, unexcused absences from meetings in a year will be put into probationary status.

Article III

1. ORGANIZATION. The Kitty Hawk Air Society will be organized so as to conform to school policies concerning similar school organizations. At a minimum there will be a Commander (President), Deputy Commander (Vice President), Membership Coordinator, Community Service Coordinator, and Academic Support Coordinator. New officers will be elected at least once per academic year by a weighted average formula equal to sixty-seven percent weighted GPA plus thirty-three percent overall JROTC average.

2. OFFICERS. The duties of the society officers shall be:
 - a. COMMANDER: It shall be the duty of the Commander to set the meeting schedule and preside at all meetings. The Commander will be an ex officio member of all society committees. The Commander will be a special assistant to the Corps Commander and will ensure that all society activities do not conflict with those of the Corps.
 - b. DEPUTY COMMANDER: It shall be the duty of the Deputy Commander to perform the duties of the Commander in his or her absence. The Deputy Commander will be assigned additional duties and responsibilities as determined by the Commander.
 - c. MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR: The Membership Coordinator will oversee all membership activities, ensure the timeliness of said membership activities, and track the progress of the active, honorary, and probationary members.
 - d. COMMUNITY SERVICE COORDINATOR: The Community Service Coordinator, with the support of all society members, will be responsible for finding and posting possible community service activities for the Cadet Corps. This individual, in conjunction with the Corps's Information Operations Officer, will also maintain and track the completion of community service hours for the Cadet Corps and provide a monthly report to the Kitty Hawk Commander and Deputy Commander.
 - e. ACADEMIC SUPPORT COORDINATOR: The Academic Support Coordinator, with the support of all society members, will be responsible for finding and posting possible tutoring opportunities for the Cadet Corps. This individual, in conjunction with the Corps's Academic Officer, will also establish internal tutoring sessions for the Corps and make the Corps aware of standardized test prep and standardized test dates.
 - f. ADVISORS: The Senior Aerospace Science Instructor and Aerospace Science Instructor will serve as the society advisors.
3. COMMITTEES. There will be at two permanent standing committees, the Membership Committee and the Executive Committee (comprised of the society officers). Other committees may be formed at the discretion of the executive committee. The commander may appoint ad hoc committees (temporary committees) as needed. These committees will be disbanded once the purpose of its creation is complete.

Article IV

1. DUES. There will be no dues for the society unless voted on, and amended, by the membership.

2. Fundraising Projects. Fundraising projects are permitted as long as they are in accordance with school policy. The fundraising activities must be approved by the advisors and the school's athletic and activities director.

Article V

1. BYLAWS. All proposed bylaws must be presented to and read before the membership in a general meeting at least 10 days before it can be voted on. Bylaw amendments require a two-thirds majority vote to pass. Bylaw amendments must be approved by the advisors.
2. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION. All proposed amendments to the constitution must be presented to and read before the membership in a general meeting at least 10 days before it can be voted on. Amendments require a two-thirds majority vote to pass. Bylaw amendments must be approved by the advisors.

BYLAWS

Article I

1. ELECTIONS. Selection of officers for the next school year will be held at the first meeting of the academic year. Officers will be selected using a weighted average formula equal to sixty-seven percent weighted GPA plus thirty-three percent overall JROTC average. The Commander will be the cadet with the highest weighted average; the Deputy Commander will be the cadet with the second highest weighted average; the Membership Coordinator will be the cadet with the third highest weighted average; the Community Service Coordinator will be the cadet with the fourth highest weighted average; and the Academic Support Coordinator will be the cadet with the fifth highest weighted average. All other cadets are society members. Selected officers will take office effective the moment they were selected.
2. NOMINATION OF MEMBERS. Nominations of new members shall be made either in writing, or from the floor at a meeting held during the first meeting of each semester. Voting shall be by secret ballot. Those candidates receiving a majority vote by active members shall be elected.

Article II

1. FEES AND DUES. There are no dues or membership fees unless established by the society (see Constitution Article IV 1.).
2. OTHER FEES OR ASSESSMENTS. No other assessment of members shall be made for any purpose whatsoever.

Article III

1. COMMITTEES. There will be two permanent committees of the society:
 - a. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: This committee will be made up of the duly elected officers. The Commander serves as the Chairman of the Committee.
 - b. MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: If and when the society reaches a large size, this committee will consist of a minimum of three members, and a maximum of five, with the Membership Coordinator serving as the chairman.
2. Other committees may be established by the membership to conduct society business.

Article IV

1. AMENDMENTS. These bylaws may be amended at any regular or special meeting of the society. A two-thirds majority vote is required to amend the bylaws.
2. Any provision of these bylaws which conflicts with the constitution of the society shall be null and void and of no force or effect.

The Constitution and Bylaws were established in draft form on February 14, 2019 and ratified to final form on August 14, 2019.