# CONSTITUTION DIVISION SIX NORTH CENTRAL REGION NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION

### ARTICLE I – NAME AND PURPOSE

Section 1 This organization shall be known as Division Six, of the North Central Region of the National Model Railroad Association, Inc., and is established in accordance with their constitutions.

Section 2 The purposes of Division Six are:

- a) To further the purpose of the North Central Region and the National Model Railroad Association as set forth in the Constitutions of those organizations
- b) To further the hobby of model railroading through educational programs focusing on the history of railroads and the techniques, practices, science, and technologies used in model railroading
- c) This organization is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes under section 501c3 of the Internal Revenue Service Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

### ARTICLE II - MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

Section 1 Any person who is a member in good standing of both the National Model Railroad Association, Inc. and the North Central Region and who meets the membership requirements as defined by the North Central Region Constitution shall be eligible for membership in the Division. There shall be no dues assessed for regular membership.

Section 2 Any other interested model railroader, whether or not that person is a member of the National Model Railroad Association, Inc. and the North Central Region, is encouraged to participate in the Division Activities for not more than three (3) meetings in a twelve month period. Upon attendance of the third meeting further participation shall require that the person become a paid member of the NMRA.

Section 3 Membership shall not be denied to any person on the basis of age, race, religion, sex or political belief.

#### ARTICLE III - VOTING

Section 1 All regular members as defined by Article II, Section 1, shall be entitled to vote. All matters including election of officers shall be decided by a majority vote of those members present and voting at a meeting of the division except as otherwise specified herein.

## ARTICLE IV – MEETINGS

Section 1 There shall be at least one general membership meeting each year to be held in the winter. Other meetings may be called by the Board of Directors as may be required. Notice of the meetings shall be provided via mail or e-mail to all regular members at least three weeks prior to any meeting; publication in the North Central Region "Hotbox" shall be considered as satisfying this requirement.

- Section 2 Attendance of ten members at any meeting shall constitute a quorum
- Section 3 Election of the Board of Directors shall be at the even year's meeting
- Section 4 Board of Directors meetings shall be called at the discretion of Board of Directors

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## ARTICLE V - OFFICERS

Section 1 The operation of Division Six shall be managed by a Board of Directors whose membership shall consist of the current officers together with two directors. The term of office for officers and directors shall be two years.

Section 2 Officers of the Division shall consist of a Superintendent (Chief Executive Officer), Assistant Superintendent (Vice President), Secretary and Treasurer elected from the regular membership. The Directors shall be the most recently retiring division superintendent and a regular member as appointed by the Board of Directors or by a regular member volunteer. The duties of the officers shall be that as commonly accepted for officers of those positions.

Section 3 No person shall serve in the same elected office for more than two (2) consecutive terms. This section may be suspended for a specific office by a majority vote of the members at election time.

Section 4 The Board of Directors shall be empowered to remove any officer for reason of malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance at to hold an election at the next meeting for replacement of same.

Section 5 Should an officer's position become vacant during his/her term, a special election is to be held to fill that position.

### ARTICLE VI - DISSOLUTION

Section 1 Dissolution of the Division shall take place in accordance with the procedure prescribed in the North Central Region Constitution.

Section 2 All assets of the Division shall revert to the Treasury of the North Central Region upon dissolution after resolving all outstanding debts.

#### ARTICLE VII RATIFICATION AND AMENDMENT

Section 1 This constitution shall be ratified and take effect immediately with the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the regular members voting at a Division meeting.

Section 2 This constitution may be amended by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the regular members present at a meeting provided that the text of the proposed amendment is published with the meeting notice.

Adopted by a vote of the membership on Month Day, Year