

Regional Performance MOPARS (RPM)

Mission Statement:

The purpose of the Club is to promote a positive awareness of Chrysler, Dodge, Plymouth, Desoto and AMC vehicles and be a good community citizen.

BYLAWS

1. NAME: The name of the organization shall be Regional Performance MOPARS, INC. The official abbreviation shall be RPM.

2. CORPORATE POWERS: The Corporate Powers of RPM shall be vested in the membership, each of whom shall be a member in good standing, said powers subject to the limitations of these Bylaws and the applicable laws of the state of Kansas and the United States.

3. DEFINITIONS:

3.1 Quorum: A majority of the members being present at any meeting of RPM.

3.2 Throughout these Bylaws, the phrase "in good standing" is defined to mean a member whose dues are not in arrears.

4. PURPOSE:

4.1 To encourage a positive public awareness of Chrysler, Dodge, Plymouth, Desoto and AMC vehicles (i.e. MOPAR), promote social intercourse and fellowship among its members and to maintain references upon and encourage the maintenance, restoration and preservation of all such vehicles and to be a good community citizen.

4.2 To promote member and community education through car shows, cruise-ins, seminars, newsletter articles and other means as approved by the membership.

4.3 Attendance at all meetings and Club sponsored events is encouraged since the club cannot conduct club business or plan and run an event without maximum participation from the club membership.

4.4 Club members should strive to maintain a positive interchange of technical, historical, restoration and other information on our favorite automobiles among members and other persons who own or are interested in them.

5. FISCAL YEAR:

The Fiscal Year shall commence on the first day of January and end on the last day of December.

6. MEMBERSHIP:

6.1 The RPM encourages a positive public awareness of Chrysler, Dodge, Plymouth, Desoto and AMC vehicles and encourages all members to own such a vehicle. However, the Club will accept members who do not actually own one of these vehicles.

6.2 Any person interested in the purposes and objectives of this organization shall be eligible for membership and upon proper application and payment of the required dues shall be accepted into the membership. The club will not discriminate against anyone for any reason. The organization expects to

have a diverse membership that acts in a positive and friendly manner to all.

6.3 There shall be Individual Memberships and Family Memberships. The dues shall be \$20 for single members and \$25 for a family (i.e. a Family Membership shall include an adult couple residing at the same address and any children under the age of twenty-one that also reside at the same address. Once a child reaches the age of twenty-one, they must obtain their own membership).

6.4 Single memberships get one vote, Family memberships get two. Only members in good standing are eligible to vote.

6.5 In case a member cannot attend a meeting and wants another member or officer to vote for him/her, they can send a written proxy stating that the person with the proxy is voting for them on all issues raised at that meeting.

6.6 Members unable to pay their dues due to military service, illness, job loss, etc. can apply to the club for a fee waiver. A 2/3 majority of all registered club members must approve the request.

6.7 Dues are payable on or before January 1st each year. A member whose dues are in arrears as of February 1st, shall cease to be a member and shall forfeit all privileges of membership and shall only be accepted back into the membership in that year upon reapplication for membership and payment of required dues.

6.8 The resignation of any member shall become effective upon written notice to the President.

6.9 Member Suspension: Members may be removed or suspended from RPM for just cause: Club members who break any of the Club's bylaws will receive a written warning for the first offense. This warning will require a simple majority vote by members present and will be presented to the offender by the highest ranking Club officer available. Further infractions could result in additional written warnings or membership termination. Further verbal warnings require a simple majority vote of Club members present and termination requires a 2/3 majority of all club members.

6.10 A member who has written a check to the RPM that is returned for any reason, will be issued a warning letter stating the check must be made good with valid funds 30 days of the check date. Furthermore, if there is a second offending check within a year of the first, the person will then be put on a cash only basis for a period of one year from the date of the second offending check.

6.11 All information gathered by the club on members will not be shared with others. If an outside group wants to contact our members, one of the officers can send that information out via the club email list (but the list can not be given to the outside group).

7. OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

7.1 The club shall have four (4) officers elected from the general membership at the yearly general meeting in December and take office in January 1. These individuals are expected to attend every meeting, if possible, or find someone prior to the meeting to take their role at the meeting.

7.1.1 Nominees must be members in good standing.

7.1.2 Election of an Officer shall be carried out using procedures in accordance with these Bylaws, Roberts Rules of Order, Revised (current edition) and laws of the state of Kansas and the United States. Election shall be plurality; ties must be broken by recount or a re-vote if necessary.

7.1.4 Each Officer and Director shall take office after being elected and shall serve for a term of one year and until his or her successor is duly elected.

7.2 The President shall communicate to the RPM membership such matters and make such suggestions as may, in the President's opinion, tend to promote the welfare and increase the usefulness of RPM and shall perform such other duties as are necessarily incident to the office of President. The President is the official spokesperson for RPM but may make no policy changes or exception without prior membership approval. The President will work closely with the Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer to make sure that they have adequate information and are fulfilling the requirements of their jobs.

7.3 The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in the event of his or her temporary disability or absence from meetings and shall have other duties as the President may assign. The Vice-President will also have a complete list of current members and their contact information (including email addresses if possible) and will be responsible for sending out meeting notices and announcements.

7.4 The Secretary/Treasurer shall keep a full and complete record of the proceedings/minutes of the monthly meetings, kept in a three ring binder and passed on annually to the new in-coming secretary. An electronic copy of the records will also be stored in a separate place. The Secretary/Treasurer shall also keep an account of all monies received and expended for the use of the Club. These records will include actual receipts, checks/monies deposited and copies of bank statements, balanced with their accounting ledger each month. The Treasurer shall make a report at each monthly meeting and have the financial books audited in January with the as-of date of December 31st. The Treasurer will also keep the membership list of those in good standing and keep the Vice-President's list up-to-date. The Treasurer will set up a bank account with expenditures requiring both the signature of the Treasurer as well as the President and will only be able to spend money for items that the club approves at a monthly meeting with quorum vote to the affirmative by those attending.

7.5 Should an officer cease to be a member in good standing of RPM, said member shall cease to be an officer.

7.6 Should an officer's position become vacant, the membership shall nominate replacements at the next regular meeting and vote as to who shall fill the office for the remainder of the unexpired term.

8. COMMITTEES:

8.1 RPM will set up committees as needed for the activities they decide to hold. The membership will be needed and encouraged to support and participate in these activities.

9. MEETINGS:

9.1 Meetings of the membership will be held at 6:30 pm on the first Tuesday of each month. If a change in time and location is made by the membership for the next meeting, the Secretary is responsible for making sure all members are notified. (Locations may change and will be sent to all members prior to the meeting by the secretary).

9.2 At least 40% of club members must be present to conduct a vote on any matter that does not require a 2/3 majority. A quorum of the 40% in attendance is needed to pass a vote.

10. PERSONAL AND CLUB DEPARTMENT:

10.1 Disruptive behavior, abusive language and uncooperative attitude will not be tolerated at meetings or Club sponsored events.

10.2 Alcohol may be consumed (within reason) at Club meetings and during Club social functions if they are held at a member's house or in an eating establishment that serves alcohol. Under no circumstances will underage drinking be allowed. Consumption of alcohol at Club sponsored events is

prohibited.

10.3 Use of illegal drugs or carrying of illegal weapons is prohibited at any Club meeting or function.

10.4 The RPM vows to leave parks, fields and parking lots cleaner than we found them when we are finished using it for a Club sponsored event.

10.5 RPM is family oriented and maximum family attendance is encouraged at Club sponsored car shows, cruise-ins, community fund raisers and certain Club social functions. We want wives, husbands, girlfriends, boyfriends and kids to feel welcome and have fun. Young children can come to Club meetings, but they must be supervised and cannot disrupt the meeting. Attendance by children at Club social functions will be determined ahead of time.

10.6 During Club sponsored events, Club members are asked to remember that they are representing the RPM and the following rules apply:

a) All members will obey and respect show staff, personnel, and grounds;

b) Members are expected to act responsibly and respect others; and,

c) Members are expected to respect other Clubs and other car brands.

10.7 The RPM vows to judge cars fairly regardless of make and model at all Club sponsored events.

11. AMENDMENTS:

11.1 Amendments to these Bylaws shall be placed before the full membership of RPM for a vote, upon petition for such amendment by at least 25% of the voting membership.

11.1.1 The proposed amendment shall be distributed to each voting member through either the mail or email along with a notice of the meeting date at which the vote will be held (such date being at least 30 days and no more than 60 days from the date the proposed amendment is first announced by mail or email).

11.1.2 The amendment shall take effect only if approved by two-thirds of those members who attend the meeting. The amendment will be presented for voting in written form (a ballot). The officers shall validate and count the ballots and certify whether the amendment passes or fails.

11.1.3 All petitions and ballots shall be kept on file for a period of two years, open for inspection by any member of RPM.

Approved Feb. 2011.