

**Rio Grande Norte Chapter  
South Central Section  
The Ninety-Nines, Inc.**

**Bylaws**

**Article 1. Name**

The name of this organization shall be the Rio Grande Norte Chapter of The Ninety-Nines, Inc., hereafter referred to as the RGN 99s.

**Article 2. Purpose**

**Section 1.** The purpose of the RGN 99s is to engage in educational, charitable, and/or scientific activities that promote aeronautical science and aviation safety within the capabilities and resources of the RGN 99s. Additionally, the RGN 99s shall support the mission statement of The Ninety-Nines, Inc. and financially support the projects of The Ninety-Nines, Inc.

**Section 2.** The RGN 99s shall not participate in or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office nor express support for any political agenda, unless it relates specifically to scientific, charitable, or educational issues concerning aviation.

**Section 3.** The RGN 99s support and abide by the policies and procedures of the South Central Section of The Ninety-Nines, Inc., and of The Ninety-Nines, Inc., as delineated in their respective bylaws, articles of incorporation, and standing rules.

**Article 3. Membership**

**Section 1.** Any woman shall be eligible for membership in the RGN 99s if she meets the requirements for membership in The Ninety-Nines, Inc., and agrees to abide by the bylaws, articles of incorporation, and standing rules of the organization.

**Section 2.** Membership in the RGN 99s requires payment of The Ninety-Nines, Inc., initiation fee, annual dues, and annual renewals no later than sixty (60) days after the due date as outlined in the Standing Rules of The Ninety-Nines, Inc.

**Section 3.** Members may transfer into the RGN 99s from another chapter with appropriate records on file with The Ninety-Nines, Inc. at its headquarters.

#### **Article 4. Fiscal**

**Section 1.** The RGN 99s, a non-profit corporation under the umbrella of The Ninety-Nines, Inc., shall not be operated for profit but solely for the purposes as set forth in these bylaws. The revenues of the RGN 99s shall be derived from activities, contributions, investments and other such means as may be consistent with the provisions of Internal Revenue Code § 501 (c)(3). No part of the net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any officer or member of the organization or to any private individual.

**Section 2.** The fiscal year of the RGN 99s shall be the same as the South Central Section of The Ninety-Nines, Inc.

#### **Article 5. Officers**

**Section 1.** Elected officers shall be Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer, whose terms of office shall be two (2) years and commence on July 1, following an election in June of odd numbered years.

**Section 2.** To be eligible to hold any elective office, one must be a current member of The Ninety-Nines, Inc., and be a member of the RGN 99s.

**Section 3.** No officer shall be eligible to serve in the same office for more than two (2) consecutive terms, except the Treasurer, who may serve indefinitely.

**Section 4.** The officers shall constitute the Executive Board and shall have the authority to act in matters requiring timely action that arise between meetings of the RGN 99s or in emergencies.

**Section 5.** Three (3) members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum of the Executive Board.

**Section 6.** Vacancies in office occurring between regularly scheduled elections shall be filled by appointment of the Executive Board.

#### **Article 6. Meetings**

**Section 1.** The annual meeting of the RGN 99s shall be in June of each year. At that time the annual Treasurer's Report will be submitted to the South Central Section of The Ninety-Nines, Inc. In odd-numbered years, elections will be held and results announced.

**Section 2.** The RGN 99s shall meet for activities consistent with the purposes of the organization as deemed necessary by the Executive Board. All chapter members will be notified at least five (5) days prior of the time, place, and agenda of RGN 99s meetings.

**Section 3.** The minimum number of four (4) members present shall constitute a quorum and may vote on all matters pertaining to the RGN 99s.

## **Article 7. Nominations and elections**

**Section 1.** The Executive Board shall appoint a nominating committee at least two months prior to the RGN 99s election.

**Section 2.** The Nominating Committee shall submit its list of nominees to the Executive Board no later than May 1. Consent of the nominee must be given before her name is placed on the ballot.

**Section 3.** The election shall be held at the annual meeting in odd-numbered years.

## **Article 8. Publications**

**Section 1.** Every member of the RGN 99s shall be supplied with a listing of chapter members and the RGN 99s bylaws.

**Section 2.** A newsletter shall be the official publication of the RGN 99s and is available to all members.

## **Article 9: Parliamentary Authority**

The rules contained in the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* shall govern the organization in all cases to which they are applicable and consistent with these bylaws and any special rules of order the Organization may adopt.

## **Article 10. Committees**

**Section 1.** Regular committees shall be the Nominating Committee and the Scholarship Committee. Committee chairmen and committee members shall be appointed by the Executive Board. The Nominating Committee shall be appointed no later than April 1 of

odd-numbered years to nominate officers for the election. It may also be constituted as needed at other times.

**Section 2.** Other committees may be appointed on an ad hoc basis.

## **Article 11. Duties of officers**

**Section 1. *Chairman.*** The Chairman is the leader.

**Section 2. *Vice Chairman.*** The Vice Chairman is the leader when the leader is not present.

**Section 3. *Secretary.*** The Secretary takes the notes.

**Section 4. *Treasurer.*** The Treasurer takes care of the money.

**Section 5. *Nominating Committee Chairman.*** The Nominating Committee Chairman and her committee grovel and beg to procure candidates for chapter offices.

**Section 6. *Scholarship Committee Chairman.*** The Scholarship Committee Chairman and her committee take care of Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship and other scholarship information and applications.

## **Article 12. Amendments**

**Section 1.** The RGN 99s bylaws may be amended at a chapter business meeting or annual meeting if the proposed changes have been determined to be consistent with the existing RGN 99s bylaws and have been published in the preceding newsletter.

**Section 2.** Changes to the bylaws may be submitted to the Executive Board by any member of the RGN 99s.

**Section 3.** Any proposed RGN 99s bylaws amendment must receive a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present to pass.