

CONSTITUTION of the NEVADA MUSIC EDUCATOR'S ASSOCIATION

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ARTICLE I: NAME, PURPOSE, AFFILIATION

Section 1. NAME. The name of this association is NEVADA MUSIC EDUCATOR'S ASSOCIATION, INC.

Section 2. PURPOSE. The purpose of the NMEA shall be the advancement of all phases of music education in the schools and the community, and the promotion of professional growth among Nevada music educators.

Section 3. AFFILIATION. The NMEA shall function as an affiliated state unit of the Western Division of the MUSIC EDUCATOR'S NATIONAL CONFERENCE.

Section 4. TERM OF EXISTENCE. The term for which this association which will - exist shall be a period of fifty years from the date of the most recent revision.

Section 5. BASIS. This association is organized on a non-stock, non-profit basis.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

Section 1. ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP. Active membership shall be open to all persons engaged in the teaching of music, or other music related educational work in the state of Nevada. Active membership shall provide the following rights and privileges:

- A. The right to participate in NMEA activities upon compliance with requirements as designated for each activity and upon payment of all dues
- B. The right to vote and hold office
- C. A subscription to the MENC Journal and Nevada Notes.

Section 2. REMITTANCE OF DUES. Dues shall be paid to the MENC Headquarters Office in Reston, Virginia.

ARTICLE III: OFFICERS AND GOVERNMENT

Section 1. AUTHORITY. Authority for the management, policies, and actions of the, NMEA is vested in the Executive Board. The NMEA President has the responsibility for leadership of the NMEA.

Section 2. STATE OFFICERS. The elected offices of NMEA shall be a President, President-Elect, and Secretary. Immediate Past President shall continue to serve and have voting privileges on the Executive Board. The appointed offices of NMEA shall be State Manager, State Editor, Elementary/Middle School representatives, Coalition Chair,

Membership Chair, Technology Chair, Tri-M Chair, Collegiate Chair(s), and necessary representatives to insure each zone is represented.

Section 3. OFFICERS OF THE ZONES. Each zone may elect officers to be a President, Vice-President who shall be the immediate Past-President, President-Elect, Secretary and Treasurer, or Secretary/Treasurer. Each zone will have a representative to the NMEA Board.

Section 4. LEGISLATIVE BODY. The Legislative body shall be vested in the active membership of NMEA. Meetings of this body shall be held annually at the time of the state festival and convention.

Section 5. EXECUTIVE BOARD. The Executive Board of the NMEA shall consist of the elected officers of NMEA and the Zone Representatives.

Section 6. ELECTIONS. Elections are to be held biannually.

ARTICLE IV: MEETINGS

Section 1. CONVENTIONS. The state convention and meeting shall be held annually in conjunction with the All-State Festival.

Section 2. MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD. Meetings of the Executive Board shall be called at such times as deemed necessary by the President, or by a majority of the members of the board. A quorum of not less than fifty percent (50%) of the voting board members shall be required for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE V: DISPOSITION OF ASSETS IN CASE OF DISBANDMENT

Section 1. DISPOSITION OF ASSETS. Upon the dissolution of the Association, after paying the debts and obligations of the association, the remaining assets shall be distributed to a non-profit fund, foundation, or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, or religious and/or scientific purposes, and which has established its tax exempt status under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Section 2. EARNINGS. No part of the net earnings of this association shall ever inure to or be for the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, or other private person, except that the corporation shall be empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered, and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the exempt purposes for which it was formed.

Section 3. ACTIVITIES OF THE ASSOCIATION. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these articles, the association shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501 (c) (3), of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

ARTICLE VI: AMENDMENTS.

Section 1. AMENDMENTS. This Constitution may be altered or amended by an approving vote of two-thirds of those members who cast ballots in accordance with the stipulations of the BYLAWS, provided that sixty days notice of such contemplated amendment or alteration shall be given by mail or otherwise to all members of record who are eligible to vote. Proposed amendments to this Constitution may be initiated by the Executive Board, or by a petition signed by five percent (5%) of the - membership in each zone.