



STEVENS POINT AREA MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I - NAME, AFFILIATION

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the Stevens Point Area Music Teachers Association, hereafter referred to as SPAMTA.

Section 2. All members of SPAMTA shall hold membership in the Wisconsin Music Teachers Association and the Music Teachers National Association.

ARTICLE II - OBJECT

Section 1. SPAMTA is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Section 2. No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to, any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on:

- (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or
- (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Section 3. In the event of the dissolution of this organization, any funds remaining in the treasury after the payment of any outstanding debts shall be contributed to MTNA.

ARTICLE III - PURPOSE

The purpose of this Association shall be to promote professional fraternity among music teachers, to stimulate professional growth among music teachers, to encourage high standards in music instruction, and to support the objectives of the Wisconsin Music Teachers Association and the Music Teachers National Association.

ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership classifications In SPAMTA shall be Active, Associate, and Student.

Section 2. Membership privileges are prescribed in the By-Laws of the Association.

ARTICLE V - OFFICERS, EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. The officers of the Association shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Section 2. Responsibilities of the officers and procedures for the election of officers are specified in the By-Laws of SPAMTA.

Section 3. The Executive Board -- shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, and Immediate Past President.

ARTICLE VI - MEETINGS AND PROGRAMS

Section 1. Meetings and programs of SPAMTA shall be held at such time and place as are decided upon by the Executive Board of the Association, but they shall be guided by the wishes of the membership.

ARTICLE VIII - QUORUM

Section 1. One-half of the Active members constitute a quorum for the transaction of business of SPAMTA.


ARTICLE IX - FISCAL YEAR

Section 1. The fiscal year, and the membership year, shall begin July 1 and end June 30.

ARTICLE X - AMENDMENTS

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended at any business meeting of SPAMTA a two-thirds vote of the Active members present and voting, the proposed amendment having been submitted to the members at least thirty (30) days prior to the voting.

This constitution was amended to include ARTICLE II - OBJECT on 21 February, 2000.


Gail A. Heywood, President


Annette Rasmussen, Vice-President


Mary Ellen Mitchell, Treasurer

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I -- MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Active membership is open to all persons professionally engaged in any field of musical activity. Such membership provides the privileges of participation in the activities of SPAMTA holding office, and voting.

Section 2. Associate membership is open to all persons not professionally engaged in any field of musical activity but who wish to support the program of SPAMTA. Such membership provides admission to all meetings of the Association, but does not include the right to vote or hold office.

Section 3. Student membership is open to any music student through the age of 26. Student membership does not include the right to vote or to hold office.

ARTICLE II - DUES

A two-thirds vote of the Active membership and voting at the May meeting of each year will determine the annual dues for each fiscal year.

ARTICLE III - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association, shall call and preside at meetings of the Executive Board, shall appoint all committees as needed, and shall perform all other duties implied by his title.

Section 2. The Vice President shall assume all the duties of the President in the absence of the President and shall perform such other duties as may be designated by the President.

Section 3. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of SPAMTA and of the officers, shall see that the minutes are in legal form and properly preserved, and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned by the President.

Section 4. The Treasurer shall be responsible for the payment of all bills authorized by SPAMTA shall keep an itemized account of all receipts and disbursements, and shall present an official report to the Association upon request.

ARTICLE IV - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Officers shall be elected the May meeting each year. The candidates receiving the largest number of votes will be declared elected for a term of one year.

ARTICLE V - EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. The Executive Board shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, and Immediate Past President.

ARTICLE VI - PROGRAMS ACTIVITIES

Section 1. The Executive Board, guided by the wishes of the Association, will authorize the planning of programs and activities of an educational nature to be sponsored by the Association. The Board will determine appropriate fees to be charged members and nonmembers.

ARTICLE VII - AMENDMENTS

Section 1. These By-laws may be amended at any business meeting of SPAMTA by a two-thirds vote of the Active members present and voting, the proposed amendment having been submitted to the members at least thirty (30) days prior to the voting.