

BYLAWS OF THE
MAGIC VALLEY MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION
of the
IDAHO MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION Affiliated with
MUSIC TEACHERS NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
ARTICLE I—NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Magic Valley Music Teachers' Association, referred to as MVMTA affiliated with IMTA and with Music Teachers National Association, Inc. (MTNA), Cincinnati, Ohio, a Code Section 501(c)(3) organization.

ARTICLE II—PURPOSE

Section 1. The primary purpose of the Association is the promotion of excellent and professional music teaching. Other purposes include the advancement of musical knowledge and education and the promotion of the art of music.

Section 2. No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of any individual.

ARTICLE III—MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership classifications in this Association shall be: Active, Retired, Student, and Patron. All members of this Association (except patrons) shall hold membership in the Idaho Music Teachers Association and the MTNA.

A. Active membership is open to all persons professionally engaged in any field of musical activity who are members of an affiliated state association and MTNA. Such membership provides the privileges of voting, holding office, and participating in the activities of the Association.

B. Retired Membership is open to those who have been active members for at least 20 continuous years, are age 65 or greater and are essentially retired from teaching. A member must send written notice to the MTNA executive director for this class of membership to be activated. Retired members may vote, but cannot hold elective office at the division or national levels or enter students in MTNA competitions. A retired member must also be a member of a state affiliated association.

C. Student membership is open to any student of music subject to membership regulations of the affiliated state association and MTNA. Students members may attend all meetings of the Association, but do not have the right to vote or hold office.

(Associations may want to have special membership categories that only apply to the local association such as Patron Membership—see the following example)

D. Patron membership shall be individuals, organizations, institutions, or business firms wishing to support the association and its activities. They shall not have the right to vote, hold office, or enter students in activities. Dues are paid to the local association.

Section 2. Annual dues will be established by the Executive Board and approved by the members. Dues are delinquent June 30 for active members, September 30 for collegiate members, after which time members are not in good standing or entitled to any of the privileges of membership until dues are paid for the current membership year.

Section 3. The membership year shall be the same as the MTNA fiscal year, beginning July 1 and ending June 30 for active members; the collegiate membership year begins October 1 and ends September 30.

ARTICLE IV—OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of the Association shall be: President, President-Elect, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. (or such officers necessary for the effective operation of the Association).

A. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association, and the Executive Board, shall appoint all standing and special committees with the approval of the Executive Board, and shall perform such other duties applicable to the office as prescribed by the parliamentary authority adopted by the Association. He or she shall serve as an ex officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee.

B. The President-elect shall assume all duties of the President in the absence of that officer and shall perform such other duties as may be designated by the President and/or Executive Board or prescribed by the parliamentary authority of the association.

C. The Vice President shall preside in the absence of the President and President- elect, and shall coordinate such activities and perform such duties as may be designated by the President and/or Executive Board or prescribed by the parliamentary authority of the association.

D. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the Association and the Board of Directors, and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned by the President or prescribed by the parliamentary authority of the association.

E. The Treasurer shall be responsible for the payment of all bills authorized by the Association, shall keep an itemized account of all receipts and disbursements, shall prepare an annual budget, and shall present reports to the Association as requested and shall perform such other duties as may be designated by the President or prescribed by the parliamentary authority of the association.

Section 2. Each officer shall be elected for a two year term of office and shall serve until his or her successor assumes office. The term of office shall begin at the beginning of the fiscal year (July 1), and end upon the installation of the next officer. No member shall be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office.

ARTICLE V—ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Section 1. Any member of the Magic Valley Music Teachers Association may nominate another member for office. Members may also nominate themselves.

Section 2. Officers shall be elected by ballot, regardless of the number of nominees for each office.

Section 3. A vacancy in any office, except that of President, shall be filled for the unexpired term by presidential appointment and approval by the Executive Board. A President-elect, appointed in this manner, cannot assume the office of President unless elected to the office in the same manner as the other officers.

Section 4. Any officer shall cease to hold office upon termination of membership, or may be removed from office by two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at a regularly scheduled meeting. Such action may be taken when it appears evident that an officer has been or is unable to serve or is otherwise unqualified.

Section 5. If within a period of four years no election of officers takes place, the Magic Valley Music Teachers Association will be dissolved, and any funds remaining in the treasury after the payment of any outstanding debts shall be contributed to the Idaho Music Teachers Association.

ARTICLE VI—EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. The officers of the Association and the Immediate Past President shall constitute the Executive Board of the Association. (Committee chairs may be added.)

Section 2. The Executive Board shall have general supervision of the affairs of the association between its business meetings, fix the hour and place of meetings, make recommendations to the association, and perform such other duties as are specified in these bylaws. The Board shall be subject to the orders of the association, and none of its acts shall conflict with action taken by the association.

Section 3. Meetings of the Executive Board shall be held as needed, or at the request of a majority of the Board.

Section 3. Minutes of the Executive Board meeting shall be read at the next regular meeting of the Association.

Section 4. Action taken by unanimous written consent of the Executive Board members via mail, or electronic transmission, shall be a valid action of the Board. Such actions of the Board shall be preserved and reported in the minutes.

ARTICLE VII—COMMITTEES

Section 1. Standing Committees may be appointed by the President with the approval of the Executive Board and/or members to facilitate and accomplish the work of the association. (Committees such as Finance and Program Committees are standing committees and should be described in the Bylaws.)

Section 2. Other committees, such as task forces or special committees, may be appointed by the President with the approval of the Executive Board and/or members to facilitate and accomplish the work of the association.

Section 3. The President shall be an ex officio member of all committees.

ARTICLE VIII—MEETINGS

Section 1. Regular meetings of the association will 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.

Section 2. Annual meetings of the association will be held at the regular meeting designated as the annual meeting by the Executive Board. The election of officers, annual reports of officers and committees, and any other business that may arise will take place at this meeting.

Section 2. Special meetings may be called by the President or by the Executive Board or upon the written request of one quarter of the members. The purpose of the meeting shall be stated in the call.

Section 3. MVMTA elections and business may be conducted by electronic vote, provided members are notified of such and given the opportunity to vote.

ARTICLE IX—PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the association in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws, any special rules of order the association may adopt, or a higher-level rule, i.e. the state or national association.

ARTICLE X—AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

Section 1. These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote, provided that the amendment has been submitted in writing or digitally to the membership at least 30 days prior to the vote.

Section 2. All amendments must be consistent with Article II of the Bylaws and a copy of same must be sent to the MTNA National Office.

NOTE: Other provisions consistent with the State and National Association Bylaws may be added as needed.