

Constitution of the North Dakota Federation of Music Clubs

Article 1 – Name

This organization shall be known as the North Dakota Federation of Music Clubs, and shall be affiliated as a component part of the National Federation of Music Clubs.

Article 2 – Object and Purpose

The object of this organization is to bring music clubs and other musical organizations and individuals directly or indirectly associated with musical activity into working relations with one another. The purpose is to develop and maintain high musical standards, to aid and encourage musical education, and to promote American music and American artists throughout America and other countries. The North Dakota Federation of Music Clubs will cooperate with the National Federation of Music Clubs in the specific plans for the advancement of music.

Article 3 – Non Profit Status

Section 1. This organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted while exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or while contributions received are deductible under Section 170 (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or not permitted under corresponding sections of any future federal tax code. No substantial part of the activities of this organization shall involve attempting to influence legislation, or participation in, or intervention in any campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. The net earnings of this organization shall not benefit or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except as reasonable compensation for services rendered and as payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article 2.

Section 2. In the event of the dissolution of this organization, any assets or funds remaining in the treasury after payment of any outstanding debts shall be contributed to the International Music Camp, the National Federation of Music Clubs, or a 501(c)(3) organization with similar object and goals..

Article 4 – Membership

Any organization or individual interested in the advancement of music, upon application and payment of dues, may be admitted into membership in the North Dakota Federation of Music Clubs in accordance with the policies set forth in the bylaws of the North Dakota Federation of Music Clubs.

Article 5 – Elected Officers

The elected officers of the North Dakota Federation of Music Clubs shall be a President, Vice-President, two regional Vice-Presidents, Recording Secretary and Treasurer.

Article 6 – Administration

The administration of this organization shall be vested in the hands of an Executive Committee and a Board of Directors. Executive committee and Board meetings shall be provided for in the bylaws of the North Dakota Federation of Music Clubs.

Article 7 – Convention and Special Meetings

There shall be a Biennial Convention of the North Dakota Federation of Music Clubs, to be held in the spring of the odd calendar years. Special meetings of the Federation may be called by the president upon a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

Article 8 – Amendments

This constitution may be amended at a Biennial Convention or Special Meeting of the North Dakota Federation of Music Clubs by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting, provided the proposed amendments have been submitted to the active members of the Federation at least one month prior to the meeting at which amendments are to be considered.

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