

## **Preamble**

Our desire is to become members of the IBA Student Chapter of the (*name of college or university*). We as members have the opportunity to enjoy IBA student membership, to share its responsibilities, and to increase interest, knowledge, and productivity in all areas of music education, **primarily** that of the band area.

## **Article I — Name and Affiliation**

### **Section 1**

This chapter shall be known as the (*name of college or university*) Student Chapter of IBA: the Iowa Bandmasters Association.

### **Section 2**

This chapter shall have an affiliated relationship with the (*name of District IBA.*)

## **Article II — Purpose**

It shall be the purpose of this organization to:

- X make available to members opportunities for professional development;
- X acquaint students with the privileges and responsibilities of the band directing profession;
- X provide all members with the opportunity to become acquainted with (but not limited to) the band directing and music education profession through participation in programs, demonstrations, discussions, workshops, and performances planned by this chapter and the state and district IBA organizations.
- X assist the chapter school in various projects throughout the year; and
- X provide the opportunity to have organized contact with student members from other schools.
- X encourage, strengthen and promote IBA through the regular association with other student members.

## **Article III — Membership Eligibility and Benefits**

### **Section 1**

Membership shall be open to any student enrolled at the (*name of college or university*) who is interested in the band directing profession.

### **Section 2**

High School student members of IBA may affiliate themselves with the collegiate Student Chapter in the area.

### **Section 3**

Students who fulfill the requirements as stated in Section 1 or 2 may become members of this chapter on payment of dues as stated in Article IV.

### **Section 4**

Any member of this chapter may participate in the activities carried on by this student chapter and by IBA, including its district and state association **conferences**, clinics and other related events.

### **Section 5**

Every student member of this chapter will receive issues of the IBA Magazine and membership directory, upon payment of dues and meeting appropriate deadlines.

### **Section 6**

All student members shall have voice and vote in their Student Chapter.

**Section 7**

All Student members must belong to the IBA District in which their school resides.

**Article IV — Finance**

**Section 1**

Membership Fees are determined by the state IBA and District affiliate. Students eligible for IBA Student membership become members of IBA and their district when proper fees are sent to the appropriate officers.

**Section 2**

Nominal chapter dues may be levied in excess of state and district fees to help finance the activities of the chapter.

**Article V —Chapter Council**

**Section 1**

Management of this chapter is the responsibility of the Chapter Council and is upheld by this constitution.

**Section 2**

The Chapter Council shall consist of the officers of this chapter and the chapter adviser as an ex officio member (see Article VI.)

**Section 3**

The Chapter Council shall meet at least once between regular meetings of the chapter to organize and plan future activities.

**Section 4**

The Chapter Council shall have the power to make necessary decisions in all matters not specifically acted upon by the group.

**Article VI — Chapter Adviser**

**Section 1**

There shall be a chapter adviser who is a member of the music faculty at (*name of college or university*) and who is a member of both state and district IBA. The chapter adviser shall serve as ex officio on the Executive Council.

**Section 2**

The responsibilities of the chapter adviser shall be to:

- X act as a representative of IBA to the students;
- X inform the students of the nature, purpose, and function of IBA;
- X encourage interest and participation of students in IBA activities; and
- X act as a liaison with the various levels of IBA;
- X serve as an adviser and guide in formulation of chapter programs and policies;
- X serve as a resource person;
- X receive and distribute fall enrollment materials to potential members;
- X explain the benefits of IBA student membership during orientation meetings, methods classes, and other functions that involve music education students;
- X encourage the development of student initiative, leadership, and imagination, to build a sense of responsibility on the part of students;

- X help officers in fulfilling their respective duties, including the maintenance of chapter records;
- X meet with chapter officers to help with planning and implementing chapter activities;
- X promote professional attitudes among chapter members;
- X work for support of the chapter by members of the college faculty and explore with department chairpersons the possible funding of chapter activities;
- X represent the interests of the chapter on campus and at IBA functions;
- X specifically assist with the identification and cultivating of area high school members; and
- X promote the concept of chapter importance in training music education students.

## **Article VII — Officers**

### ***Section 1***

The officers of this chapter shall be president and any other officers deemed necessary by the local student chapter.

### ***Section 2***

Any candidate for office shall have been a member of this chapter for at least one full semester (or quarter) prior to nomination. (Exception will be immediately following chapter formation.)

### ***Section 3***

Each officer shall assume his office at the commencement of the summer break and serve throughout the entire following school year.

### ***Section 4***

In the event that a vacancy occurs in the office of president, the other officers in rank order shall assume the duties of president for the remainder of the term of office. If no other officers are used, the vacancy shall be filled by election.

### ***Section 5***

The officers shall be considered the Chapter Council for the chapter.

## **Article VIII — Duties of Officers**

### ***Section 1***

It is the duty of the president to preside at meetings, represent the organization, uphold the principles of the constitution, and appoint committees as required, subject to the approval of the Chapter Council.

### ***Section 2***

If a vice president position is used, it is the duty of the vice president to preside in the absence of the president and serve as chairperson of the program committee.

### ***Section 3***

If a secretary position is used, It is the duty of the secretary to keep in touch with members of this chapter and other chapters, maintain close connection with IBA leadership, keep accurate records of membership and activities, and report the chapter activities for publication in state publications.

### ***Section 4***

If a treasurer position is used, it is the duty of the treasurer to keep accurate records of, be responsible for and account for the collection of any monies and/or payment of any debts of the organization.

## **Article IX — Election of Officers**

### ***Section 1***

Election of officers shall be held in the spring of the current year for the following school year.

### ***Section 2***

A nominating committee may be used to draw up a slate of candidates.

### ***Section 3***

Nominations may be accepted from the floor of the meeting at which the nominating committee reports.

### ***Section 4***

Any registered member of this chapter is qualified to vote in the chapter's election of officers.

### ***Section 5***

A candidate must receive a majority of the votes cast for that office to be elected.

## **Article X — Committees**

### ***Section 1***

There may be a standing committee for programs and activities. This committee is appointed by the president, with approval of the Chapter Council.

### ***Section 2***

The president shall have the power to appoint special committees with the approval of the Chapter Council.

## **Article XII — Meetings**

### ***Section 1***

Meetings shall be held as deemed necessary by the Chapter.

### ***Section 2***

Meetings may be called at any time as determined by the Chapter Council.

## **Article XIII — Amendments**

### ***Section 1***

This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the membership.

### ***Section 2***

All members shall receive notice of proposed amendments ten days before the meeting.