

## **BYLAWS OF THE NORTHWEST BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION**

Revised April 27, 2009

### **NAME**

The Association will be known as the NORTHWEST BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION. The Association is an honorary, non-profit organization.

### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Association is to honor those music educators who have earned the respect and admiration of their colleagues for their unique and successful support and contributions to the music education of the youth of the Northwest through band programs.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

Members of the Association will be selected from the ranks of the teaching profession or from an industry or business related to the band music field from throughout the Pacific Northwest states. Exceptions may be made for persons not primarily related to the band field who have made exceptional contributions to the field of music education. Honorary membership and posthumous awards may also be granted by action of the Association.

### **DUES**

Annual banquet-to-banquet dues will be determined by the Advisory Board, and will be paid in the fall when reservations for the banquet are made. The payment of annual dues will assure that members will be kept on the roster, and will receive mailings, announcements, and biographical updates of new honorees. It will be assumed that failure to pay dues indicates a member's desire to be dropped from membership, and this will be done. However, should adverse circumstances occur (illness, stock market crash, etc.); dues will gladly be waived upon request to the president and approved by the board.

### **OFFICERS**

The **President** will serve for at least two years, and under rare circumstances, possibly longer, but no longer than three years, if mutually agreed upon by the Advisory Board and the President. The President will be responsible for organizing the fall banquet, and handling the business affairs of the Association. The President's term will end immediately following the President's last fall banquet, at which time the President-Elect will take over.

A **President-Elect** will be appointed by the Advisory Board and announced at the banquet at the end of the first year of the President's term. Association members are asked to recommend persons for this position as soon as possible prior to the new President's first advisory board meeting in the spring.

### **ADVISORY BOARD and the AFFAIRS OF THE ORGANIZATION**

The President may assign tasks to others and will select a small Advisory Board of five to seven members to assist in carrying out the affairs of the organization. Necessary business will be conducted by the President, President-Elect and the Advisory Board whenever a special need occurs. Business that involves the entire membership shall be conducted by mail, email and/or at a summer picnic meeting. Whether or not a picnic is held is at the discretion of the President. There shall be NO BUSINESS conducted at the fall banquet. This event shall be considered strictly a social event.

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**NEW HONORED MEMBERS WILL BE PROPOSED AS FOLLOWS:**

- A form for proposing outstanding music educators for membership is made available by mail from the President. Photocopy as many as needed. You will also find this form in the packet of updated material in your membership book which is given out each year at the fall banquet. Be sure to include the proposed candidate's current address, phone number and email address. The form is to be mailed to the President.
- The President and the Advisory Board will **screen** the nominations, setting priorities according to years of service and reputation for quality teaching, etc. A nominal number, perhaps no more than ten, of high priority candidates will be selected for induction.
- Members are urged to **resubmit** in succeeding years any qualified candidate not selected. The board may also extend an unsuccessful nominee to the following year.

**RECOGNITION AWARDS**

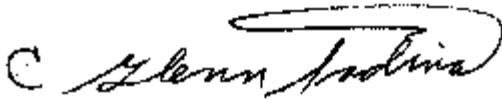
New Honorees and spouses will be guests of the Association at the banquet. Flowers, a plaque, and the Association's book, *BANDMASTERS OF THE NORTHWEST*, including biographical sketches of all past members, will be given to each honoree. No dues will be asked for the first year.

**INDUCTION**

New Honorees will not be formally inducted into the Association unless he or she is able to attend the fall banquet. Those new Honorees unable to attend the banquet will be introduced to the membership and presented a plaque and book at the next fall banquet.

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