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PROPOSED CONSTITUTION
FOR
BIG TEN BAND DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION
DECEMBER 1972

ARTICLE I - NAME

The organization shall be known as the "Big Ten Band Directors Association."

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The purpose of the organization is to provide a forum for exploration and discussion of problems indigenous to bands of our association. Through these discussions and meetings greater harmony and cooperation between our members is to be encouraged and the musical advancement of our ensembles promoted.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Those eligible for membership in the association shall be as follows:

1. All college band directors (concert and marching) who are members in good standing of their respective Big Ten University faculties.
2. Associate or assistant Big Ten College Band Directors.
3. Student assistants, considered regular members of band staffs of their respective Big Ten Universities.

Each active member shall be entitled to vote. Active membership is maintained through payment of annual dues.

Honorary life membership shall be given to members who were active members of the association at the time of their retirement. They shall enjoy all rights of active membership.

Associate membership, without voting privileges shall be open to members of the music industry who qualify for membership in the Music Industry Council. Associate members are entitled to attend all Big Ten Association meetings.

ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS

The association officers shall consist of a President, Vice-President and a Secretary-Treasurer. The above named officers and two immediate past Presidents shall constitute the Board of Directors. (As "past presidents" become "available.")

ARTICLE V - MEETINGS

The Big Ten Band Directors Association shall meet once yearly, the time and place to be determined by the Board of Directors. (It is recommended that this meeting be held in conjunction with the annual Mid-West Conference in Chicago.)

The association meetings will be open to only the members of the Big Ten Band Directors Association.

ARTICLE VI - DUES

The annual dues for active membership shall be \$5 per member University, covering all members from that University.

The association year shall be from January 1 to December 31. The Secretary-Treasurer will collect all dues.

ARTICLE VII - REVISIONS OR AMENDMENTS

The Big Ten Band Directors Association constitution may be revised or amended at any national meeting by a majority vote of the active membership

present when the proposed revisions or amendments have been circulated to the membership at least one month in advance of the yearly meeting or, if submitted at the time of the yearly meeting and approved by a 3/4 vote of the active membership present at this meeting. In the event that a yearly meeting is not held, a ballot by mail will be accepted.

BY LAWS

ARTICLE I - DUTIES OF NATIONAL OFFICERS

President: It shall be the duty of the President to organize the yearly meeting and to preside at all general sessions thereof. It shall be the duty of the President to represent the Big Ten Band Directors Association at other conventions or appoint a representative in his place when the association is invited to send a delegate, or deems it in the best interest of the organization.

Vice-President: It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to assume the duties of the President in his absence. It shall furthermore be the duty of the Vice-President to serve as Chairman of the Board of Directors at their meeting.

Secretary-Treasurer: It shall be the duty of the Secretary-Treasurer to perform the normal duties of a recording secretary and treasurer.

ARTICLE II - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The President shall serve for one year from the time of assuming office at the end of one annual meeting to the end of the next. Terms of the Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer shall be the same.

The Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected at the yearly meeting of the association.

Election shall be by secret ballot of active members in attendance at the yearly meeting.

ARTICLE III - AMENDMENTS

The by laws may be amended at any yearly meeting of the association by majority vote of active members present at that meeting.

ARTICLE IV - STANDING COMMITTEES

Standing committees shall be established and appointed at the discretion of the President and may be continued through successive administrations at the discretion of the newly appointed President.