

# Bylaws

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## 2018 NFMC BYLAW PROPOSALS

### ARTICLE XI SECTION 7

No person shall serve as a **first term** the Chair of a National Division, Department, Committee, or a Regional Chair and as a first term (two-year) State President at one and the same time. ~~A first-term president in any state is ineligible to hold dual positions.~~

Rationale: Several states are finding it more and more difficult to secure presidents. Many competent members are currently serving in National positions, and this referenced article in the Bylaws forbids them from serving as a first-term president.

### ARTICLE XIII SECTION 3D POWERS AND DUTIES (Fund for the Advancement of Musical Arts (FAMA))

~~Delete ... "and at least \$75,000 shall always remain in the permanent fund."~~

Rationale: All financial data has been placed in the Standing Rules

Remove the following two Bylaws:

### ARTICLE VII 2B EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

~~5. Approve the appointment of the State News Editorial Chair and five (5) members, one from each Region, of the Editorial Board and the Chair of the Arts Advocacy Department as provided in Article IX, Section 2A6.~~

### ARTICLE IX SECTION 2A THE PRESIDENT

~~6. Appoints, subject to approval of the Executive Committee, the State News Editorial Chair and five (5) members, one from each region, of the Editorial Board, and the Chair of the Arts Advocacy Department.~~

Rationale: These appointments should be treated as all other Presidential appointments and listed in SR B-1.

### ARTICLE VIII SECTION 3D NOMINATION FOR MEMBERS-AT-LARGE

~~1. Suggestions of possible nominees for Members-at-Large may be sent to said Nominating Committee by any member or organization. Such names, with qualifications, must reach the committee before November 1 in the even year.~~

**1. Completed Member-at-Large Eligibility forms for Member-at-Large nominees may be submitted to said Member-at-Large Chair by any member or organization. Completed Eligibility forms must reach the Member-at-Large Chair before November 1 in the even year.**

**To validate Member-at-Large nominations made from the convention floor, completed Member-at-Large Eligibility forms must have been received by the Member-at-Large Chair via email transmission one week prior to the opening day of the Biennial Convention.**

Rationale: To clarify eligibility process for all Member-at-Large nominees.

### ARTICLE VIII SECTION 4A ELECTION OF MEMBERS-AT-LARGE

The report of this Committee shall be read on the first day of the

business session of the NFMC Biennial Convention, at which time further nominations for Members-at-Large may be made from the floor **during the General Session.**

Rationale: Designates a specific location for further nominations.

### ARTICLE IX OFFICERS

#### E. TREASURER

~~1. Has custody of all the funds and securities of the Federation, including those for the Fund for the Advancement of the Musical Arts, and the Headquarters Endowment Fund. Serves as liaison between headquarters, CPA, auditor, and NFMC Board.~~

**2. Shall deposit all such funds and securities in the name of the National Federation of Music Clubs, in financial institutions approved by vote of the Executive Committee. Has responsibility for all NFMC funds and securities being deposited in federally recognized and approved institutions.**

**5. NFMC Treasurer serves as liaison between Investment Fund and Operating Funds. Transactions from Investments Fund can be authorized only by the NFMC Treasurer and/or President.**

~~6. 5- Collects and disburses the monies, under the direction of the Board of Directors. Shall present recommendations to the NFMC board for approval of CPA and auditor engagement letters.~~

~~7. 6- Pays bills signed by the President, specific chairmen authorized by the President, and/or the designated official at NFMC Headquarters. Pays awards as requested by Awards Chairs. Sends congratulatory letters and awards checks to winners.~~

~~7b- Sends Monthly and Quarterly Reports to the President, First Vice-President, Finance Chairman, and all Past National President. (Duty performed by Executive Director)~~

~~8d. 7e- Files annually the report required by the General Not-for-Profit Corporation Act of the State of Illinois and Indiana, and the Congressional Charter. Requests audit reports be sent annually to required governmental or organizational agencies and has oversight of tax filings.~~

~~9. -8- The outgoing Treasurer shall deliver to the successor within sixty (60) days after the close of the fiscal year, all money, securities, vouchers, books, and papers in the Treasurer's custody and belonging to the Federation, and the Fund for the Advancement of Musical Arts and the Headquarters Endowment Fund, together with a complete financial report certified by CPA audit.~~

**10. 9: In the event of the temporary inability of the Treasurer to perform the duties of the office, the Executive Director shall assume responsibilities of the Treasurer. the President shall appoint a member of the Board of Directors to act as Treasurer, and the name of such appointee shall be filed with the financial institutions in which the funds of the Federation are deposited.**

Rationale: To clarify revised financial responsibilities for NFMC Treasurer.