

# **RMTA CONSTITUTION**

**June, 2020**

## **ARTICLE I – NAME**

**The name of this organization shall be Richmond Music Teachers Association, referred to as RMTA, affiliated with Virginia MTA and with Music Teachers National Association, Inc. (MTNA), Cincinnati Ohio, a Code Section 501(c)(3) organization.**

## **ARTICLE II – PURPOSE**

**Section 1. Said organization is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.**

**Section 2. No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to, any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be**

carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Section 3. In the event of the dissolution of this organization, any funds remaining in the treasury after the payment of any outstanding debts shall be contributed to Music Teachers National Association or another 501(c)(3) organization.

### **ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP**

Section 1. Membership classifications and privileges shall be prescribed in the Bylaws of Richmond Music Teachers Association, hereinafter designated as RMTA or as the Association, and must be consistent with the membership classifications provided in the Bylaws of MTNA.

Section 2. Membership dues shall be approved by the Executive Board and approved by the membership of RMTA.

Section 3. Membership in the Association may be terminated by the member or revoked by the Association as prescribed in the RMTA Bylaws.

Section 4. All members of the Association eligible for Active or Student membership in RMTA must hold membership in VMTA and in MTNA.

### **ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS**

Officers of the Association shall be a President, President-elect, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Immediate Past President.

The manner of election and the duties of each officer shall be defined in the Bylaws.

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## **ARTICLE V – EXECUTIVE BOARD**

**Section 1.** The Executive Board shall be composed of the President, President-elect, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Immediate Past President, and shall determine policies of the Association by actively pursuing the purposes of the Association within the limits of the Constitution and Bylaws. It shall have discretion in the disbursement of all the funds of the Association.

**Section 2.** In order to transact business, a quorum consisting of four voting members of the Executive Board, at least one of them being the President or President-elect, must be present.

## **ARTICLE VI – MEETINGS**

**Section 1.** Meetings of the Executive Board shall be held at such time and place as are decided upon by the Executive Board of the Association, but they shall be guided by the wishes of the membership.

**Section 2.** Ten members, of which three are members of the Executive Board, constitute a quorum of the Association for the transaction of business.

## **ARTICLE VII – AMENDMENTS**

**Section 1.** This Constitution may be amended at any business meeting of the Association by in person ballot, mail ballot, or electronic ballot, by a two-thirds vote of the Active members present

**and voting, the proposed amendment having been submitted to the members at least thirty (30) days prior to the voting.**

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**Section 2. All amendments must be consistent with Article II of this Constitution and a copy of same must be reported to the Executive Director of MTNA before approval.**