

**THE OHIO MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION, MIDDLE WEST DISTRICT  
CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS**

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**THE CONSTITUTION**

**Article I – NAME**

The name of this organization shall be the Middle West District, in the Ohio Music Teachers Association (OhioMTA), of the Music Teachers National Association (MTNA).

**Article II – OBJECTIVES**

**Section 1.** The objectives of the Middle West District are to advance musical knowledge and education and to promote the growth and professional development of its members.

**Section 2.** Middle West District is not organized for profit and no parts of its net earnings benefit any private individual.

**Section 3.** In the event of the dissolution of this organization, the President of the OhioMTA shall be notified, and any funds remaining in the treasury after the payment of any outstanding debts shall be contributed to a nonprofit organization which qualifies under the Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code, such as the MTNA Foundation.

**Article III – MEMBERSHIP**

**Section 1.** Membership classifications and privileges shall be prescribed in the By-laws of the Middle West District.

**Section 2.** Membership dues shall be proposed by the Executive Committee and approved by the membership of the Middle West District.

**Section 3.** Membership in the District may be terminated by the member or revoked by the District as prescribed in the OhioMTA By-laws.

**Section 4.** All members of this District eligible for Active membership in MTNA shall hold membership in the OhioMTA and the MTNA.

**Section 5.** The Middle West District consists of eight (8) counties: Allen, Auglaize, Hardin, Logan, Mercer, Shelby, Union, and Van Wert.

#### **Article IV – OFFICERS**

Officers of the District shall be President, President–Elect, Vice–President for Programs, Vice–President for Marketing and Membership, Secretary, and Treasurer. The manner of election and the duties of each officer shall be defined in the By–laws.

#### **Article V – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**Section 1.** The Executive Committee shall be composed of the elected officers and the Immediate Past–President, in addition to all Committee Chairs.

**Section 2.** Any vacancy in an elected office shall be filled by the President’s appointment after consultation with the Executive Committee.

**Section 3.** The number, time, and place of Executive Committee meetings shall be determined by the President in consultation with committee members.

**Section 4.** In order to transact business, a quorum consisting of at least five (5) members of the Executive Committee must be present. The President must be part of the quorum.

**Section 5.** The Executive Committee may determine policies of the District after consultation with the membership. It also may have discretion in disbursement of funds of the District.

#### **Article VI – COMMITTEES**

The President, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee, shall appoint committees and chairs necessary for the conduct of the programs and operations of the District.

#### **Article VII – MEETINGS**

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

**Section 2.** A quorum consists of ten (10) members for the transaction of business.

#### **Article VIII – AMENDMENTS**

**Section 1.** The Constitution may be amended at any business meeting of the District 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.

**Section 2.** All amendments must be consistent with the Constitution and By–laws of the OhioMTA and must be reported to that organization after approval.