

BY-LAWS
of the
NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT CHORUS DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I

The official name of this organization is:
THE NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT CHORUS DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION
hereinafter referred to as "The Association".

ARTICLE II

The purposes of The Association are:

1. To support the training of existing, new, and potential directors through, but not limited to, week-end workshops.
2. To develop a mutual network of mutual assistance among directors by publishing a directory of the membership, and encouraging the exchange of information and ideas.
3. To advise the District VP Events and VP C&J on the selection of contest sites, with regard to:
 - a. Performance conditions such as acoustics, stage, and lighting facilities.
 - b. Logistics, such as adequacy of warm-up facilities and transportation logistics.

ARTICLE III

The Association shall be self-governing and financially self-sustaining.

ARTICLE IV

Membership in The Association is defined as follows:

1. All members of The Association must be members in good standing of S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A. or a designated non-member music director of a NED chapter.
2. A member is anyone whose dues have been paid to The Association and who is designated by a NED chapter as its current Chorus Director, and any Assistant Director or Past Chorus Director.
3. The right to hold office in The Association and to vote on Association business is limited to members.
4. Dues to The Association shall be \$15.00 per year and can be considered a legitimate Chapter expense.

ARTICLE V

A. The Association shall have a governing Board consisting of three (3) elected officers who shall be elected by the members at the annual meeting, and shall serve for a term of one year beginning on January 1, or until their successors shall be chosen and qualify. The Immediate Past President shall be an ex-officio (non-voting) member of the board. The officers of The Association shall be:

PRESIDENT
VICE-PRESIDENT
SECRETARY/TREASURER

B. A three-member nominating committee, appointed by the President, will present the committee's nominations at the annual meeting. The nominations are to be published and distributed to the members 30 days prior to the annual meeting. Additional nominations may be made from the floor, provided that there is acknowledgment by the nominee (by written evidence or personal attendance) that he is willing to serve.

C. In the event that an elected officer is unable or unwilling to fulfill his term, he shall submit his resignation in writing to the Board and the remaining Officers shall appoint a member to complete the term.

ARTICLE VI

A. The Association shall provide guidance and assistance to the District VP M&P and VP CS & LT in the planning of the Chorus Director classes at COTS, CAPCOTS, HARMONY PILGRIMAGE and HARMONY HOMECOMING.

B. The Annual Meeting of The Association shall be held in conjunction with the NED COTS weekend.

C. Other activities shall be determined by the Board of Directors as need dictates.

ARTICLE VII

Amendments to these By-Laws shall only be accomplished by a 2/3 majority vote of the members present at the Annual Meeting. Proposed amendments shall be submitted/distributed to the members 30 days prior to the Annual Meeting.

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