

Pennsylvania Collegiate Music Educators
Association,
Elizabethtown College, Chapter #463

Preamble:

It is the desire of the individuals of this organization to become members of the Music Educator's National Conference Student Member Chapter of Elizabethtown College, to utilize all its associations, to share its responsibilities, and to increase and interest and knowledge in all areas of music education and the responsibility thereof.

Article I: Name and Affiliation

Section I: This chapter shall be known as the Elizabethtown College Chapter of the Pennsylvania Music Educator's Association (PCMEA), and shall be listed in the Music Educators National Conference (MENC) records as Chapter No. 463.

Section II: This chapter shall have an affiliated relationship with the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association.

Article II: Purpose

It shall be the purpose of this organization to:

Make available to members opportunities for professional development

Acquaint students with the privileges and responsibilities of the Music Education profession

Provide for its member opportunities to become acquainted with leaders in the Music Education profession as gained from participation in the programs and demonstrations, discussions, and performing ran by this chapter, the state music educators association, and MENC

Assist the school in various projects throughout the year

Provide opportunity for contacts with MENC student members at other schools

Article III: Membership

Section I: Membership shall be open to any student at Elizabethtown College interested in the teaching of music.

Section II: Any student may become a registered member of this organization upon payment of dues to the local chapter and national conference.

Section III: Any student member, upon complying with registration requirements, may attend the conventions of MENC-national and divisional-and the federated state associations with all rights and privileges of active student membership therein. Members may participate in activities by the Elizabethtown College Chapter of PCMEA and MENC, its divisions, and federated state associations, in connection with conventions and other meetings.

Section IV: Members will receive the official MENC publications Music Educators Journal and Teaching Music, as well as the official publications of the state music educators association PMEA News.

Section V: When a student member accepts a regular teaching position, upon their request, they will be transferred to the status of active (professional) membership in MENC for the balance of that membership year.

Section VI: Upon the payment of the prescribed dues, special active membership is available to any MENC student member who wishes to receive the Journal of Research in Music Education in addition to the other publications.

Article IV: Officers

Section I: The officers of this organization shall be "President," "Vice-President," "Secretary," and "Treasurer."

Section II: Any candidate for office shall have been an active member of the organization for at least one full academic year prior to their nomination.

Section III: Each officer shall assume office at the commencement of the spring term, and serve for a term of one year (two semesters).

Section IV: Any candidate not expecting to enroll in music education seminar for one full academic year (i.e. members of Alpha Mu, student teachers) are ineligible to serve as officers.

Section V: Should a vacancy occur in the office of president, the vice-president shall assume the duties of that office for the remainder of the term of office. Vacancies in any other office shall be filled by appointment of the president and advisor.

Section VI: The officers shall be considered the executive committee.

Article V: Duties of Officers

Section I: It is the duty of the president to preside at meetings, to represent the organization, to uphold the principles of the constitution, and to appoint committees, subject to the approval of the executive committee.

Section II: It is the duty of the vice-president to preside at meetings in the absence of the president, to maintain our PCMEA bulletin board, and to organize student participants in Learning Ladder.

Section III: It is the duty of the secretary to correspond with members of this chapter and other chapters, maintain close connection with MENC, report to the chapter activities for publication in state and/or national periodicals, and to keep accurate records of general meetings and the executive committee meetings.

Section IV: It is the duty of the treasurer to keep current roll of membership, be responsible and account for the collection of any monies and/or dues of the organization, and file a report to the advisor and members of all financial activities.

Article VI: Meetings

Section I: There shall be at least one business meeting each month, scheduled during professional seminar.

Section II: Special meetings may be call at any other time as determined by the executive committee and the advisor.

Section III: The executive committee should meet before each general meeting to plan the upcoming events of the chapter.

Article VII: Elections

Section I: Elections of officers shall be held at the beginning of each November for officers-elect of the following term.

Section II: Any member in good standing is qualified to vote.

Section III: Nominations will be determined by the executive committee.

Section IV: To be elected, the candidate must receive a simple majority of the vote for that office.

Section V: Election procedures will be determined by the executive committee prior to nominations.

Article VIII: Recall

Section I: Any officer is subject to recall by a signed petition of at least 30 percent of the membership.

Section II: Should an officer be recalled, Article IV, Section IV will be applied.

Article IX: Executive Committee

Section I: Management of this organization shall be vested in an executive committee responsible to the entire membership to uphold this constitution.

Section II: This committee shall consist of the officers of the organization and the faculty advisor will serve as an ex-officio member.

Section III: Meetings will be held as stated in Article VI, Section III.

Section IV: This committee shall have the power to make necessary decisions in all matters not specifically acted upon by the group.

Article X: Faculty Advisor

Section I: There shall be a faculty advisor who shall be a member ex-officio of the executive committee.

Section II: The responsibility of the faculty advisor shall be:

Advise and stimulate interest in MENC, and explain the meeting and ideals of the organization

Provide guidance in the development and implementation of programs and activities

Guide chapter participation in state, division, and national meetings

Serve as a liaison between the student member chapter, the faculty, and the college

Article XI: Committees

Section I: No officer shall chair a committee, but may be a committee member.

Section II: The president shall have the power to appoint any special committees with the approval of the executive committee.