

SOUTH WESTERN MUSIC BOOSTERS CLUB BYLAWS

ARTICLE I. - NAME

This Association shall be named and known as The “South Western Music Boosters”

ARTICLE II. – Purpose

The purpose of the Association is to support the various music programs of the South Western School District. Before any activity may be instituted, it must be approved by the music director(s) of South Western High School.

The Association is organized exclusively for charitable and educational 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 future federal tax code.

No part of the earnings of the Association shall inure to 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 Association shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the Association 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, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Upon the dissolution of the Association, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of York County, Pennsylvania (the county in which the principal office of the Association is located), exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE III. - MEMBERSHIP

All applicants shall be eligible for membership regardless of race, creed, gender, color, or national origin. Memberships are valid for one year starting July 1st and ending on June 30th.

ARTICLE IV. - LOCATION

The principal office of this Association shall be located in the music directors’ office in the South Western High School, Penn Township, York County, Pennsylvania.

ARTICLE V. - MEETINGS

A general membership meeting shall be held monthly with the exception of June and December. If there is a change, members will be notified by phone, mail, or email. Special meetings of the general membership may be called by the President at such times as he/she may deem necessary. The Executive Board shall meet monthly or at the discretion of the President or the Music Directors.

ARTICLE VI. - OFFICERS

The officers of this Association shall be the President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Fundraising Coordinator, Public Relations Director, and Music Directors.

ARTICLE VII. - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

The President shall preside at all meetings of this Association, appoint all committees, and shall be an ex-officio member of all committees. The President shall vote only to break ties.

The Vice-President shall be vested with all the powers and shall perform all the duties of the President during the absence of the latter, and shall have other duties as may, from time to time, be determined by the Executive Board of Directors. The Vice-President shall also be in charge of maintaining the membership records.

The Recording Secretary shall keep the records and minutes of all meetings.

The Treasurer shall receive all funds to the Association, pay all bills, and keep accurate records of all receipts and disbursements.

The Fundraising Coordinator will oversee all fundraising activities of the Association and will serve as the manager for the Chairs and Co-Chairs of the various individual fundraisers. Because of the Fundraising Coordinator's close involvement in the finances of the Association, she/he shall also serve as an Assistant Treasurer.

The Public Relations Director shall direct all matters of public relations; oversee the music booster website and social media presence; and manage the online ordering system. The Public Relations Director shall ensure notifications to the membership via all reasonable means.

The Music Directors shall aid the South Western Music Boosters with advice as to the best policies for the advancement of the music program.

ARTICLE VIII. - EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Executive Board of Directors shall consist of the elected officers as set forth in Article VI, plus a representative of the "Pit Dads". The Executive Board shall manage the property and business of the Association. The Music Directors of the South Western High School shall act as a liaison between the Association and the music program, the South Western School District Administration, and the South Western School District School Board. The Executive Board shall have the authority to replace, at their discretion, any officer and/or chairperson not fulfilling his/her duties. Removal of Officers, Board Members, or General Members shall be accomplished using the procedure set forth in Article X of the Association's Constitution.

The Executive Board of Directors shall have the authority to allocate funds up to \$500.00 without prior approval of the general membership of the Association.

ARTICLE IX. – VOTING

Voting privileges for any member begin immediately upon acceptance as a member of the Association. Voting privileges continue if membership is maintained without interruption. Voting shall be restricted to men and women eighteen (18) years of age and older. Those members under the age of 18 will be considered non-voting members.

ARTICLE X. - ELECTIONS

The election of officers shall be held annually at the April meeting. Nominations may be made from the floor at said March meeting. The term of office for all officers shall be for one year, beginning July 1. A simple majority vote of the members present and voting shall be required to elect an officer. The ballot for the election of officers shall be a closed, written ballot. In the event a candidate for an officer position is running unopposed, a verbal vote may be conducted. If several positions are unopposed, a motion may be made from the floor to combine these into a single verbal vote. Any member in good standing shall be eligible to hold office in the Association. Effective one (1) year after the date of adoption of these amended Bylaws, candidates for the office of President shall have previously served for a minimum of one (1) year as an Officer of the Association or Member of the Executive Board. In the event that the office of an officer shall become vacant, the remaining members of the Executive Board shall immediately fill such vacancy for the remaining term.

ARTICLE XI. - COMMITTEES

There shall be various committees-at-large as deemed necessary by Executive Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XII. – PROPERTY

All money and articles donated to and for the High School Music Program will become property of the South Western High School Music Department. The South Western Music Boosters Club will relinquish all rights to said property to said department. In the event of the dissolution of this Association, all property will automatically become the property of the South Western High School Music Department.

ARTICLE XIII. - AMENDMENTS

The members of this Association may, by a majority vote of those members in attendance, alter, amend, suspend, or annul any Article of these Bylaws at any regular meeting or special meeting called for this purpose. Such changes must have been presented at the regular meeting of this Association immediately preceding the meeting at which said changes are presented for a vote.