

Slater Band Boosters Constitution 1981

Amended April, 2016. Amended September 2018. Amended September 2019.

Article I - Name

Section 1 - The name of this organization shall be The Slater Band Boosters of the Bangor Area Schools, herein after referred to as the Organization.

Section 2 - Amendment to this Constitution may be made by a two thirds majority vote by the attending members in good standing at two consecutive general membership meetings.

Article II - Purpose of Organization

Section 1 - To arouse and maintain an enthusiastic interest in the various phases of the Bangor Area School District Instrumental Music Program.

Said organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, 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 of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

Section 2 - To lend all possible support, morally, physically, and financially to the Bangor Area School District Instrumental Music Program.

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 this paragraph. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carry-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 any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

Section 3 – A portion of the proceeds from Slater Band Boosters are to provide college scholarships.

- a. All graduating students who are or have been members of the Bangor School District Bands are eligible.
- b. A minimum of three \$500 scholarships are to be awarded.
- c. No parents of seniors may serve on the Scholarship Committee.
- d. Applications must be kept confidential.
- e. The applications are to be distributed by the High School Band Director and shall also be available in the guidance office.
- f. Applications for scholarships shall be submitted to the High School Band Director.
- g. The scholarships will be awarded spring of each year.

Article III -Membership

Section 1 - Membership shall be to anyone who is interested in the progress and development of the instrumental music program.

Section 2 - All members shall be asked to donate the sum of ten dollars (\$10.00) per person per school year. Members in good standing will receive complementary admission to all instrumental concerts of Bangor Area School District students.

Section 3 – Membership will be granted to all first-year alumni of the instrumental music program. Dues for these members will be waived for one year.

Article IV - Organization’s Officers

Section 1 - The officers of the Organization will be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Section 2 - Duties of the officers

- a. The President shall preside over all general meetings of the organization and appoint the person or persons necessary to carry out committee-type duties, projects, and endeavors. The President shall be a member and official of every appointed committee.
- b. The Vice- President shall substitute for the President when necessary.
- c. The Secretary shall record and keep the minutes of all meetings, and will maintain all correspondence and communication of the Organization. A complete set of minutes shall be retained by the band director in perpetuity.
- d. The Treasurer shall receive all funds due the Organization and deposit same with an F.D.I.C. Bank of the Organization’s choice. All checks shall require two signatures. Individuals permitted to sign checks are the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Band Director. These individuals shall be bonded.
- e. The Executive Board defined later in Article V shall be members of the financial committee.

Section 3 - The Bangor School District instrumental staff shall serve as Faculty Advisors to the Organization. They will serve as a liaison between the Organization and the school administration.

Section 4 - All officers will serve a term of one year and may be re-elected.

Section 5 – All officers are required to have three "clearances" to have on file with the band director: the PA Child Abuse Clearance (which is free and can be done online), the PA Criminal Record Check (which is free and can be done online), and one of the following:

- for those who have not lived in PA for at least 10 years, the FBI fingerprinting clearance (which has a cost and can be registered for online, but completed locally) or
- for those who have lived in PA for at least 10 years, the Vital Statistics Information Form.

Section 6 – Executive Board

- a. The Executive Board shall be composed of the officers of the Organization and the band director.
- b. The Executive Board shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Organization.
- c. The Executive Board shall meet at the discretion of two or more members of the Executive Board.

Article V – Committees

Section 1 - Standing Committees shall consist of the following:

- a. Fundraising
- b. Concession Stand
- c. Scholarship
- d. Festival
- e. Public Relations
- f. Merchandise
- g. Membership
- h. Catering
- i. Financial

Standing committee members shall be approved by the President as necessary on an annual basis.

Section 2 – A special committee will be organized every five (5) years to review this constitution for possible amendments. This committee will consist of the Executive Board and any other members who wish to participate.

Article VI - Meetings

Section 1 –

- a. The regular meetings of this Organization shall be held on the second Tuesday of each calendar month beginning in July and ending in May of each school year unless otherwise rescheduled.
- b. Special meetings may be called by the President or by a majority of the Executive Board.

Article VII - Annual Financial Report

Section 1 –

- a. An annual financial report shall be filed at the end of every year, with copies to the Executive Board. The annual financial report shall become a part of the permanent Organization records. A minimum of \$1000.00 must be retained by the treasury in the checking account at the time of installation of officers or May 30 or whichever comes first.
- b. All bills and statements must be up to date at the time of the annual financial report.
- c. In May of each year, the President shall appoint an ad-hoc committee to produce an annual review of financial records. The report shall be provided to the executive committee by June 30.
- d. Upon the dissolution of this Organization 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.

Article VIII - Quorum

Section 1 - Ten members in good standing shall constitute a quorum. Voting privileges are extended to only members in good standing.

Article IX - Elections

Section 1 - Nominations for new officers shall be accepted by the President at the February meeting. The slate of officers shall be presented at the March meeting, with additional nominations from the floor.

Section 2 - Officers are to be elected at the monthly meeting in April. Newly elected officers will begin their term at the close of the May meeting.

Article X - Policies

Section 1 - Policies governing this Organization shall be developed by each standing committee defined in Article V Section 1. These policies shall be approved by majority

vote of members present a membership meeting. Changes in existing policies shall also be brought to the general membership for approval at a membership meeting.

Article XI – Removal of Officers or Members

Section 1 - Officers of the Executive Board may be removed for misconduct or dereliction of duties. Misconduct is a wilful act against this Constitution. Dereliction of duties is the negligence of official responsibilities for an excessive period, or violation of the responsibilities of the office. Officers may also be removed if their presence is detrimental to the goals of the Organization.

Section 2 - The removal of officers may be initiated by two (2) of the elected officers or by a petition signed by twenty (20) percent of the membership. In either case, the issue will be presented to the general membership at an advertised meeting. Advertisement of such meeting to members will be by both e-mail and by United States Postal Mail.

Section 3 - An officer may be removed from office by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present at a meeting advertised in part for this purpose per section 2 of this article. Voting will be by secret ballot. Ballots will be counted by the band director and overseen by any of the officers who wish to participate.

Section 4 - Members of this Organization who are deemed to be detrimental to the goals of the Organization may have their membership revoked. Revocation shall require unanimous consent of the Executive Board and will be effective immediately thereafter. Suspended members will have the right to appeal to the general membership at a regular meeting of the Organization. The general membership will be the final arbiter of this by majority vote.

This Constitution as amended was approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote at two (2) consecutive general membership meetings of the Organization on March 29, 2016 and April 26, 2016

President

Vice - President

Secretary

Treasurer