CONSTITUTION
of the
PACIFIC SOUTHWEST CHAPTER
of
THE COLLEGE MUSIC SOCIETY

We, the undersigned, do hereby and adopt, execute, and acknowledge the following Articles for the Pacific Southwest Chapter:

I

The name of the organization shall be the Pacific Southwest Chapter of The College Music Society.

II

The period of its duration is perpetual.

III

The College Music Society, of which the Pacific Southwest Chapter is an affiliate organization, is a mutual benefit corporation organized within the meaning of Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue code. The purpose of the Pacific Southwest Chapter shall be to support the mission of The College Music Society.

IV

Membership in the Pacific Southwest Chapter shall be individual, not institutional. Membership in the Pacific Southwest Chapter shall be granted to all members of The College Music Society residing within the area of Arizona, California, and Nevada.

V

Upon dissolution of the Pacific Southwest Chapter, all assets shall be forwarded to The College Music Society after paying or making provision for the payment of all liabilities.
1. The Board of Directors shall include at least four persons elected by the membership of the Chapter.

2. The Officers of the Pacific Southwest Chapter shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. These Officers shall constitute an Executive Committee and shall perform the duties prescribed in the Constitution.

3. The Officers shall take office upon election and shall serve a term of two years.

4. In the event of a vacancy in any office, the President shall appoint a member to fill the unexpired term.

5. A quorum of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee shall be three members.

6. No member shall be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office.

7. Duties of the President - The President shall preside at the meetings of the Executive Committee, Board of Directors, and at the Annual Meeting of the Chapter. The President shall appoint all committees in consultation with the Executive Committee.

8. Duties of the Vice-President - The Vice-President shall serve as the chief assistant to the President and shall assess the duties of the President in his absence.

9. The Secretary shall take the official minutes of the meetings of the chapter and shall be the archivist for the proceedings of Annual Meetings.

10. Duties of the Treasurer - The Treasurer shall handle all funds of the Chapter in preparation for its meetings.

11. Duties of the Executive Committee - The Executive Committee shall serve as the chief advisory council to the President. It shall be responsible for the preparation and management of the Annual Meeting.

VII

There shall be an Annual Meeting of the Chapter at a time and place determined by the Board of Directors. The members present and voting at the Annual Meeting shall constitute a quorum. The President shall call meetings of the Executive Committee and Board of Directors.
VIII

1. The President shall appoint a Nominations Committee of three members of the Chapter. The Nominations Committee shall nominate two persons from each office falling vacant for election. The candidates shall be announced to the membership one month prior to the election.

2. The President shall have the authority to appoint other committees as necessary in order to conduct the business of the Chapter. The President shall serve ex-officio as a member of each committee.

IX

1. Amendments to the Constitution may be proposed by a member of the Board of Directors or by any group of five members of the Chapter. Proposed amendments shall be circulated to the members of the Board of Directors at least one month in advance of a meeting at which they are to be considered.

2. An amendment to the Constitution must be approved by the Board of Directors. Amendments approved by the Board shall be circulated to the members of the Chapter at least one month prior to the Annual Meeting of the Chapter at which they are to be considered.

3. Amendments to the Constitution must be ratified by two-thirds of the voting members of the Chapter present at the Annual Meeting at which the amendments are to be considered.

Richard Kravchak, President

Sandy Schwoebel, Secretary

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