

General Regulations of Oklahoma Bandmaster Association

Article I. All O.B.A./I.A.J.E. Jazz Ensemble(s)

Section I. Auditions

The auditions date, site and tryout material shall be set by the All-O.B.A. Jazz Ensemble(s) committee following input from the Board of Directors. Each student wishing to audition will fill out the appropriate entry form and submit it to the tryout chairman along with the entry fee. Students may audition for more than one position but must pay an audition fee for each position.

Section II. Clinic Format

There will be two bands selected. One band will be composed of students from class 5A and 4A schools and the other will be composed of students from classes 3A, 2A and A schools as determined by Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Association classifications. Clinician fees, convention expenses, and honorariums for guest clinicians shall be determined by the O.B.A. Board of Directors.

Section III. Penalty Clause

If a student who has been accepted into the band fails to attend the convention without prior notification of the chairman of the All-O.B.A. Jazz Ensemble committee, his or her school may placed on a one year probation and prohibited from sending any students to the following year's audition.

Article II. Hall of Fame

Section I. Nominating Procedures

There shall be a five member Board of Electors to include a chairman and four regional members, one each from the four quadrants of the state as divided by interstate highways 35 and 40. The chairman shall move off the board following his service and the other four members shall move up, a year at a time, until they serve as chairman. Each year a new member shall be appointed by the president of the Oklahoma Bandmasters Association to begin a five year term of office. The president of the Oklahoma Bandmasters Association shall serve as an ex-officio member of the board. The Board of Electors shall receive nominations from August until February. A meeting of this board shall be held in March, at which time they shall deliberate and make no more than three recommendations to the Board of Directors of the Oklahoma Bandmaster Association. The Board of Directors shall meet in April for deliberation concerning the recommendations of the Board of Electors and shall report those which have received majority approval back to the chairman of the Board of Electors. The chairman of the Board of Electors and the president of the Oklahoma Bandmasters Association shall work together in obtaining a resume of the life of the director and all pertinent information needed.

Section II. Induction Procedures

The induction of the nominee or nominees shall be held at an annual "Hall of Fame Banquet" to be held at the summer convention of the Oklahoma Bandmaster Association. Contact shall be made with an individual who will see that the inductee or inductees will be present for the awards presentation. A plaque shall be obtained with name plates for all inductees and shall be displayed in a prominent place at the convention each year. In Addition, each

inductee shall be presented with a plaque in commemoration of the induction.

Section III. Qualifications of Nominees

Each nominee shall have taught band in secondary school or college for a minimum of 15 years, at least 10 which shall have been in Oklahoma. Any nominee who has taught band within the last 5 years must have held membership in the Oklahoma Bandmaster Association at the time of leaving the profession or moving to teach in another state. For nominees who have retired or changed profession prior to the previously mentioned 5 year stipulation, the requirement shall be waived. For posthumous nominations, the 5 year stipulation shall also be waived.

Article III. Band Director of the Year

The Band Director of the Year committee shall be allowed to each year elect, by majority vote, one or two currently active band directors in secondary or college level teaching to be designated "Band Director of the Year". The only stated qualification shall be that such directors must hold current membership in the Oklahoma Bandmasters Association at the time of the nomination and election. A special plaque shall be presented to those elected at the annual Hall of Fame Banquet.

Article IV. Other Awards

The Board of Directors or the Band Director of the Year committee of the Oklahoma Bandmasters Association shall be allowed to make other appropriate awards to those who have made vital contributions to secondary or college level instrumental music in Oklahoma. Such awards shall not necessarily be limited to those in the teaching profession, but may include those in manufacturing, merchandising, booster organizations, or other music related fields.

Article V. O.B.A. Marching Contests Board of Control (enacted 1/29/1982)

Section I. Membership

The O.B.A. Marching Contests shall be under the supervision of a Board of Control. Said board shall consist of one director from each "finalist" or class winning band at each of the contests in the most recent "Championship" contests and an "O.B.A. Marching Contest Director". Said director shall be subject to confirmation by the Board of Directors of O.B.A. A member of the Board of Control shall forfeit his membership upon leaving active involvement with a band in the most recent "Championship" contests. His successor with said band shall replace him on the Board of Control. To be eligible to participate in the O.B.A. marching championships, the band director must be an active member of O.B.A.

Section II. Meetings

The board of control shall meet annually at the Oklahoma Music Educators Association convention in January, at the call of the Contest Director or by agreement of a majority of the board of control members. A majority of the board of control shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section III. Administration

The board of control shall be the governing body of the O.B.A. marching contests and shall have the authority to adopt such policies and procedures, rules, and relations as are necessary to administer the various O.B.A. marching contest. The Board of Directors shall annually secure the services of a "O.B.A. Marching Contests Director" who shall be paid by the association. The O.B.A. Marching Contest Director shall secure the services of "O.B.A. site contest directors" who shall be paid by the association. The Board shall determine the qualifications and the salary, not to exceed the profits of the contests, to be paid the Director. The board of control shall determine the duties of the contest director and shall

delegate such authority to him as it deems advisable to properly administer the various contest. The board shall have the authority to interpret the provisions of its policies and procedures, rules and regulations and investigate alleged violations, and report same to the Board of Directors. All rules, regulations, policies and procedures adopted by the O.B.A. board of control must be approved by the O.B.A. Board of Directors. Only the elected Board of Directors of O.B.A. shall have the authority to assess penalties for violations not included in the rules of competition. The maximum penalty assessed against a school for violation shall not exceed one year suspension from participation in any O.B.A. marching contest. The board of control shall make recommendations to the Board of Directors for disbursement of funds derived from the marching contests. The contest director shall turn over all receipts derived from the various contests to the treasurer and shall account for same. The Board of Directors shall carry on a continuous evaluation of the objectives of the O.B.A. marching contests so that they are being realized.

Section IV. Methods of Appeal

Any decision rendered by the board of control involving a possible penalty for a violation of the rules and regulations shall be subject to review by the Board of Directors of O.B.A. Upon review, the Board of Directors shall determine penalties from the following alternatives: 1) warning; 2) probation for one year (allows for participation for critique only); 3) suspension for one year from any O.B.A. marching contest; 4) removal of award. Following a penalty decision, the President of O.B.A. shall notify the head band director of the school involved by certified or registered letter. Any appeal of the decision must be made by certified or registered letter within 14 days to the President. Upon receipt of such notice, the President shall call for a joint meeting of the Board of Directors and the Board of Control not later than the next regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting, or at a specially called meeting of the President. During the hearing, the head band director shall be present. Testimony may be presented or called for by anyone in attendance. The decision of the Board of Directors on the appeal will be made in executive session and shall then be presented in writing to the head band director. The decision made following the appeal shall be final.

Section V. Officers

The O.B.A. marching contest director shall be considered a nonvoting member of the board of control and shall attend all meetings. He may or may not be a director of a band which participated in the most recent championship contest. Should he be, his school's voting rights shall be vested in the hands of a bona fide member of his school's faculty or administration. It shall be the contest director's responsibility to present ways and means to conduct the various O.B.A. marching contests. The board may vest in him whatever extent of authority to act that they shall deem necessary and proper. Elected officers of O.B.A. shall ex-officio, nonvoting members of the board of control, unless by virtue of their band's participation in the most recent championship contest, they are already members of the board.

Article VI. Amendments

Proposed amendments to these general regulations shall be presented to the recording secretary of O.B.A. Board of Directors in writing no later than 24 hours before a semiannual meeting. Approval will be dependent upon the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the active members present and voting at a semiannual meeting.