

BYLAWS
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TEACHERS OF SINGING
OKLAHOMA DISTRICT
Adopted April 1, 2000

- I. Organizational Structure. The name of the organization shall be the Oklahoma District of the National Association of Teachers of Singing (NATS). The Oklahoma District of NATS is a part of the Texoma Region of the National Association of Teachers of Singing, Inc.
- II. Purpose of the Organization. The Oklahoma District of NATS is organized for the following purposes: to encourage the highest standards of the vocal art and of ethical principles in the teaching of singing; and to promote vocal education and research at all levels, both for the enrichment of the general public and for the professional advancement of the talented.
- III. District Governor. The Oklahoma District of NATS shall have a Governor, appointed by and responsible to the Texoma Regional Governor. The District Governor shall serve a term of two years and may succeed himself or herself only once.
 - a. The District Governor will be responsible for the administration and initiation of appropriate District activities and will be provided with funds, through the Regional Governor from the national budget, to assist in the work.
 - b. The District Governor shall be responsible for the recruitment of new members and the communication of District affairs, events and proceedings to the District members, to the Regional Governor and to the National office when required.
 - c. The District Governor shall maintain appropriate financial records and make a financial report to the membership at least once per year and to the Regional Governor at least twice per year.
- IV. Standing Committees.
 - a. Auditions Committee. A five-member Auditions Committee shall decide the interpretation of all questions of rules and procedures connected with the State Auditions. This committee will also deal with the resolution of all penalties, infractions of rules, and irregularities. The current District Governor and the Auditions Chair for the next state Auditions will be ex-officio members of this committee. Each year the District Governor shall appoint one member at large to serve a three-year term.

- b. Other Committees. Additional committees may be appointed by the District Governor as needed.
- V. Members. Members of the Oklahoma District of NATS shall include all members of the National organization in good standing who reside in the state of Oklahoma.
- VI. Meetings of Members. The Oklahoma District of NATS shall meet at least once per year in a convention, including a business meeting, at a time and location determined by the District Governor and Conference Site Host. Notice of the conference must be mailed to all members in good standing at least 30 days prior to the date of the meeting. A quorum of not less than 30 percent of the District's voting membership in good standing shall be necessary for the conducting of business at any meeting.
- VII. Oklahoma District State Auditions. The Oklahoma District State Auditions shall be conducted each year at the Oklahoma District Conference, in accordance with the rules set out in the "Rules for Oklahoma District State Auditions."
 - a. Auditions Chair. The Auditions Chair shall be appointed by the District Governor and will organize and run the Oklahoma District State Auditions.
 - b. Amendments to the Rules. The Rules for Oklahoma District State Auditions may be amended by majority vote of the membership present at a District Business Meeting or by mail ballot.
- VIII. Rules of Amendment. Any and all bylaws may be amended, or new bylaws adopted at any regular meeting of members of the District or by mail ballot. A two-thirds approval vote of all members present is required. A quorum, as stated in Section VI. is required. Notification of contemplated changes or amendments to the bylaws must be submitted to the membership in writing at least 15 days prior to the vote.