

ABBOTSFORD CONCERT BAND – CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

CONSTITUTION

1. The name of the society is the “Abbotsford Concert Band Society”.
2. The purposes of this band shall be: To advance the public's appreciation of the arts by producing music for public presentations, concerts and or performances, and by providing a forum for qualified artists to practice and present, or perform their artistic works through participation in such events.
3. Upon winding up or dissolution of the Abbotsford Concert Band Society, the assets which remain after payment of all costs, charges, and expenses, which are properly incurred in the winding up, shall be distributed to a registered charity or registered charities in British Columbia as defined in the Income Tax Act (Canada), as may be determined by the members of the society at the time of winding up or dissolution. This provision shall be unalterable.

BYLAWS

1. Members of the band shall be “all paid up playing members” of the Abbotsford Concert Band Society.
2. Members of the band shall be assessed a semi-annual general fee; this fee to be determined by the executive.
3. The band executive shall be elected at the annual general meeting and shall consist of the following offices: President, Secretary, Treasurer, Two Directors.
 - a) Election of all executive positions will occur each year at the Annual General Meeting.
 - b) Should any member of the executive leave his or her term of office, it shall be the duty of the remainder of the executive to appoint a successor to carry on for the balance of the term.
 - c) The Band Director and Assistant Band Directors shall be appointed by the executive.
 - d) At least 50% of the executive must be playing members of the band.
 - e) The Band Director shall be an ex-officio member of the executive.
4. All officers of the band shall be unpaid with the exception of the Band Director and Assistant Band Directors.
5. All monies raised by the band at engagements, through donations, fees, sales, etc., shall be turned over to the Treasurer.
6. Any item considered to be an asset of the band shall remain the property of the band. Any member borrowing an item shall be responsible for its care and maintenance and

may be required to pay for any damage and/or upkeep. Only the executive has the right to dispose of any asset of the band.

7. Duties of the “Band Director”:
 - a) He/she shall be responsible to the executive for the training of the band.
 - b) He/she shall be responsible for the disciplinary action against any band member.
 - c) He/she shall work toward constant promotion of the executive of the band (refer to paragraph 2 of the Constitution).
 - d) He/she shall have final say on all playing engagements.
8. Duties of the “Band Manager”:
 - a) He/she, along with the Band Director, shall be responsible for recommending all playing engagements.
 - b) He/she shall be responsible to the executive for organizing all playing engagements.
 - c) He/she shall be responsible for all public relations (media, promotions, etc.) with regards to the engagements.
9. The executive shall have final say in the allocations of money.
10. The executive shall meet once a month or more frequently at the call of the President. A quorum shall consist of 4 members.
11. There shall be one annual general meeting of the band and this shall be in the first quarter of each year.
12. Changes in the Bylaws and/or Constitution shall be reviewed at the annual general meeting.
13. Voting members at any general meeting shall be all paid up members of age 16 or over or, in the case of a member under this age, his or her parent or guardian.