## **GREATER PORTLAND FLUTE SOCIETY**

## **BYLAWS**

## As Amended 6/89

## I. OBJECTIVES:

a. Our objectives are to provide a time and place for flutists to meet to exchange ideas, to get performance experience, to play in ensembles, and generally to promote and enhance flute playing in the greater Portland area.

b. This Society is organized exclusively for the charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c) (3)of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended.

c. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Bylaws, the Society shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended.

d. The Society is not organized for profit, and no part of the net earnings of the Society shall inure to the benefit of any private party.

II. MEMBERSHIP:

a. Membership is open to any individual interested in the flute.

b. Dues will be paid for a full one-year membership (Sept.- Aug.) regardless of when one's attendance commences.

c. Dues will be used solely for club expenses and activities.

III. OFFICERS:

a. The positions on the Board of Directors will include: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Publicity Director, Choir Director, Members-At-Large Director, Hospitality Director, Commercial Membership Director, and Newsletter Editor. One or more persons will fill each position. b. They will make necessary policy decisions, based on the votes of the membership at large, whenever possible.

c. These officers are elected to one-year terms in May or June by a vote of the membership at large.

d. Any member is qualified to be an officer.

e. A nominating committee, appointed by the President, will present names of candidates for offices.

f. These Bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of those present at a meeting open to the full membership.

IV. AMERICAN FEDERATION OF MUSICIANS:

a. The Greater Portland Flute Society has some AF of M members as its members, and it will conduct its activities so as not to place any of its members in violation of the rules, regulations or Bylaws of the American Federation of Musicians or its Local 99.

V. DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS:

a. If the Board of Directors decide to dissolve the Greater Portland Flute Society, the net assets, after payment of all debts of the Society, will be donated to the National Flute Association.

b. However, if the National Flute Association is not then in existence or at that time is no longer exempt from federal income taxation or is unwilling or unable to accept such distribution, then the net assets of the Society shall be distributed to an organization that has established its tax—exempt status under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended.