

**BANGOR BAND**  
**FORMER MEMBER PARTICIPATION POLICY PROPOSAL**

**I. PREFACE**

- A. Article III, Section I of the Constitution states in part, "*The Board of Directors (herein referred to as the Board) shall determine the policies of the Band.*"
- B. There is no established policy for accommodating former members who, while residing outside the area, wish to return for one or two performances with the Bangor Band when they are in the Bangor region.
- C. Article III, Section V of the constitution states in part, "*Five voting members of the Board shall constitute a quorum of the Board.*"
- D. It stands to reason, then, by items A and C, that the Bangor Band Board of Directors may create, modify, or expunge policies via a Board of Directors vote so long as a quorum is present. Item B illustrates a need for a new policy.

**II. PURPOSE**

To codify our expectations and procedures for former members to return to the band after a long hiatus.

**III. POLICY**

Former Bangor Band members who have relocated but wish to perform with the band for a short-term residency (e.g., one or two performances) are welcome to rejoin. This policy applies exclusively to short-term engagements and is designed to accommodate former members who are temporarily in the area.

The process is as follows:

1. **Initial Contact:** The prospective performer should contact the conductor to express their interest.
2. **Section Leader Evaluation:** The conductor will liaise with the appropriate section leader to evaluate the prospective performer's suitability and typical preparedness.
3. **Discussion and Assessment:** If the section leader is not familiar with the prospective performer, they will initiate a discussion to set preparation expectations.
4. **Approval and Preparation:** Once the section leader confirms their confidence in the prospective performer's readiness, the conductor will approve their participation and provide the necessary music for preparation.

**IV. PROCEDURE**

See above.

Responsibility: Conductor, section leader

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