

**Constitution of the
East View High School Patriot Band Boosters
Adopted Date: September 9, 2014**

ARTICLE I - NAME

Section 1 - The name of this organization shall be the East View High School Patriot Band Boosters.

Section 2 - This Booster organization is a subsidiary organization of the Performing Arts Alliance of Georgetown, Texas (an organization within an organization). The EVHS Band Boosters has it's own Steering Committee, mission statement, purpose and strategic plan. This organization has reporting responsibilities to the Alliance and is ultimately responsible to the Alliance.

ARTICLE II – MISSION & OBJECTIVES

Section 1 – All band parents in the Georgetown I.S.D. have the opportunity to be involved in a program that will give encouragement and support to the total music program and in particular a high quality band program. The desire of the organization is to support the continued development and growth of each of the band students in the East View High School Patriot Band program, so that each student may enjoy high quality instruction and extracurricular experiences that will contribute to a responsible, mature person both intellectually and socially.

Section 2 – The purpose of the Band Parents is to provide the high morale necessary to maintain an exemplary band program by:

1. Maintaining clear communications and cooperation between band members, their parents, the Band Directors and the school administration in the pursuit of these purposes;
2. Provide encouragement for the development and growth of a quality badn program which complements and extends the educational options for band students as individual musicians and as members of a disciplined team.
3. Provide financial support via fundraising projects for the bands unique needs that are outside the domain and purpose of school district revenues and goals, and are within both the U.I.L. and school policies and guidelines.
4. Cooperate with the Band Directors, the School Administration and the School Board in the pursuit of the continued growth and improvement of the East View High School Patriot Band Program.

Section 3 - The Steering Committee shall not endorse, support, or oppose any candidate or proposed legislation, or expend funds to intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate or proposed legislation.

ARTICLE III – METHODS

Section 1 – The Steering Committee shall strive to achieve its stated objectives by assisting in logistics and providing support through fundraising events, contributions, and membership participation.

Section 2 – The Steering Committee shall seek neither to direct the administrative activities of GISD, nor to control its policies. Compliance with University Interscholastic League (UIL) rules shall be monitored by GISD.

Section 3 – The Steering Committee shall not directly or indirectly participate or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office.

Section 4 – No part of the net earnings shall inure to the personal benefit of, or be distributed to, its members, directors, officers, or other private persons.

ARTICLE IV – MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

Section 1 – Membership shall consists of ALL parents of band students currently enrolled in the East View High School Patriot Band Program, or anyone interested in supporting the band program.

Section 2 – No membership dues are assessed.

Section 3 – No discrimination shall be made on the basis of gender, race, age, creed, religion, disability, sexual preference, national origin, marital status, parental status, or veteran’s status.

ARTICLE V – STEERING COMMITTEE OFFICERS: DEFINITION, SELECTION AND DUTIES

Section 1 – Definition: The Steering Committee Officers of the East View High School Patriot Band Boosters, hereafter listed as the “Steering Committee”, consist of the President, the Vice President, the Treasurer, the Communications Secretary, the Alliance Representative, Volunteer Coordinator, and the Band Directors. Other Coordinators may be appointed as necessary for the operations of the organization. Duties of each office are as described in the By-laws, Article A. All officers of the Steering Committee shall be bonded.

Section 2 – The annual term of office shall begin on June 1.

ARTICLE VI – BOARD MEMBERS

Section 1 – The Steering Committee shall have the general power to manage and control affairs and assets and shall have power by majority vote, to adopt rules and regulations governing the action of the Board.

Section 2 – The Executive Board, consisting of the President, Vice President, Treasurer, Alliance Representative, Communication Secretary and Head Band Director, has the authority to act in the best interest of the EVHS Band Boosters on a day-to-day basis and within the confines of the approved budget.

Section 3 – Special Committee Chairs may be selected by the EVHS Band Boosters, but shall not be voting members of the Board.

Section 4 – A vacancy occurring in any office (except the President) shall be filled for the unexpired term. In the event a vacancy occurs in the office of the President, the Vice President shall fill the vacancy and complete both that term.

Section 5 – Any Steering Committee officer whose child ceases to be a member of the EVHS Band program shall resign and a new officer shall be selected in accordance with Article VI, Section 4 above.

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Steering Committee members may be reinstated through a majority vote of the Steering Committee and approvals of the Director of Bands, Principal, and Director of Fine Arts.

Section 6 – The Executive Board shall select standard regular meeting dates at the beginning of each year (June meeting). EVHS Band Booster meetings shall be held monthly and shall be announced in advance to each member of the booster organization. Any interested person may attend both Band Booster and Steering Committee meetings in a non-participatory role. The meeting schedule is subject to change by a majority vote of the Board.

ARTICLE VII – QUORUM

All regularly stated meetings shall not require a definite quorum in order to conduct business. All decisions requiring a vote of the Steering Committee shall be ratified by simple majority vote of members present. The exception to this rule is when voting on changes and/or amendments to the Constitution or By-laws. A two-thirds majority quorum of the Steering Committee must be present to ratify these types of changes. A two-thirds majority quorum shall be defined as at least: all parents in attendance and the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VIII – BUDGET

The President, Treasurer and Head Band Director shall prepare an annual budget. The budget shall include projected revenues and expenses. The budget shall be approved by the Steering Committee at the first meeting of the fiscal year. Amendments to the budget must be approved by a majority vote of the Steering Committee. The fiscal year shall be defined as June 1 to May 31.

ARTICLE IX – AUTHORITY TO PURCHASE

The authority to purchase shall be given to the President and Treasurer, ~~and Executive Director~~ for all approved budget items. Expenditures outside the adopted budget must be approved by a majority vote of the Board.

ARTICLE X – RESTRICTIONS

No part of earnings shall be used for the personal benefit of any member, donor, officer, employee, individual, corporation or organization except in payment of reasonable compensation of goods or services actually rendered to or for the EVHS Band Boosters. No equipment shall be used for the personal benefit of any member, donor, officer, employee, individual, corporation or organization without consent of the ~~Executive Director~~ President. This consent should also state any amount to be charged for usage and breakage.

ARTICLE XI – ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1 – The President shall supervise and control all business and affairs. He/She may sign, with the Secretary or any other officer authorized by the Steering Committee, any deeds, bonds, contracts, or other instruments or documents which the Steering Committee has authorized to be executed; and he/she shall perform all other such duties as may be prescribed by the Steering Committee.

Section 2 – In the event of death, removal or resignation of the President, the person who serves as Vice President shall assume the office of President and shall perform all such duties as may be assigned to him/ her by the Head Band Director.

Section 3 – Steering Committee members shall miss no more than three consecutive scheduled meetings without just cause. Should that instance arise, the Steering Committee shall reserve the right to remove that member from office with a two-thirds majority affirmative vote of action by the Steering Committee members.

Section 4 – Steering Committee members shall conduct themselves morally and ethically at all times in accordance with the GISD Booster Club Guidelines and Policies.

Section 5 – If Steering Committee members consistently fail to comply with this Constitution, the Steering Committee reserves the right to remove that member from office with a two-thirds majority affirmative vote of action by the Steering Committee members.

ARTICLE XII – PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Robert's Rules of Order will be used in all situations not covered by the provisions of this constitution.

ARTICLE XIII - BOOKS AND RECORDS

Correct and complete books and records of accounts and minutes of the meetings shall be kept and maintained.

ARTICLE XIV - AMENDMENTS

Section 1 - Amendments to this constitution will be submitted to the President in writing for submission to the Steering Committee for a vote at the next scheduled meeting.

Section 2 - A two-thirds majority vote of the Steering Committee present as described in Article VII shall suffice for adoption.

Section 3 - After adoption by the Steering Committee, amendments are to be presented to the member organizations.

ARTICLE XV - DISSOLUTION


Section 1 - This Alliance may be dissolved after dissolution is approved by the Steering Committee, provided that a notice of the vote on dissolution is furnished to the member organizations at least sixty days prior to the vote.

Section 2 - The President shall notify Georgetown Independent School District, in writing, of its dissolution and the procedures to be used to dissolve.

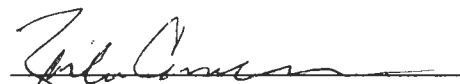
Section 3 - Upon dissolution, the Steering Committee shall utilize the assets of the organization to pay all obligations and expenses of the organization, including those arising from dissolution and distribution. The balance, if any, will be submitted to the Georgetown Independent School District, which is exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or described by Section 170(c)(1) or (2) of the Internal Revenue Code and as prescribed in the Texas Business Organizations Code, Chapter 11.

Certificate of Authenticity

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Constitution and By-Laws of the East View High School Patriot Band Boosters. This constitution has been approved, in accordance with Article XIV, by a two-thirds majority vote of those members present at the EVHS Band Boosters meeting dated 9/9/14. Notice of the ratification of the amended constitution and by-laws were given at the GPAA meeting held after this date.



President



Attest, Secretary