

## **Motions passed by the Executive Board of the Society for Music Theory since the 2016 Business Meeting**

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the 2015 Executive Board meeting.

MOTION: To increase the Executive Director's base salary by three percent and to increase benefits accordingly.

MOTION: To accept the recommendations for awards made by the Publications Committee.

MOTION: To institute rank-ordered voting for elections for members-at-large to the Executive Board.

MOTION: To establish an Ad Hoc Archives Policy Committee to develop an archives policy for the Society.

MOTION: To approve the 2017 budget as amended during the 2016 Executive Board meeting.

MOTION: To specify no modifications to the general directive for either the Regular Investment Fund or the SMT Endowment Fund for growth, rather than cash disbursement, for this year.

MOTION: To draw a cash disbursement in the amount of \$4100 for FY 2017. If there is cash on hand to cover this, the Executive Board will not draw a cash disbursement.

MOTION: To increase the annual salary of the Executive Director to \$48,000 (30 hours weekly) by November 30, 2016, in response to a new federal law and associated policy changes at the University of Chicago.

MOTION: To increase the executive director's salary by ten percent per year for each of the next two years (2017, 2018 budget) in lieu of a three percent annual COLA increase.

MOTION: To increase membership fees by \$10 for regular and overseas members; \$15 for Joint/Household and Joint Overseas members; and \$5 for Student, Retired, Joint Student, Joint Retired, and Subsidized members, all effective immediately.

MOTION: To create an Ad Hoc Reception Celebration Committee to organize the reception at the 2017 Annual Meeting.

MOTION: To approve a one-time increase of \$400 to the 2017 program budget managed by the AMGS.

MOTION: That a proposed revision to the Bylaws be submitted to the membership for approval at the Business Meeting in Arlington, Virginia, in November 2017. The motion for the membership will read as follows:

To revise Article II, paragraph 2 of the SMT Bylaws as follows: (1) in sentence 3, insert “substantial” as the second word and replace “carrying on propaganda” with “lobbying”; (2) append a fifth and final sentence to the paragraph: “Our involvement will be limited to issues having direct impact on the Society’s existence, its mission, its values, and the music professional activities of its members.”

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the 2016 Executive Board meeting.

MOTION: To amend the current Governance Guidelines regarding the Professional Development Committee:

*“Composition: at least two members are graduate students at the time of their appointment.”*

To:

*“Composition: at least two members are graduate students at the time of their appointment, and ideally one who is trained as a music theorist but now employed in a field other than university teaching.”*

MOTION: To amend the current Governance Guidelines regarding the Networking Committee:

*“Composition: a chair, the chair of the Publications Committee, the SMT Web Manager, the Editor of *Music Theory Online (MTO)*, the *MTO* Managing Editor, the *SMT* List Manager, two or more members-at-large as needed.*

To:

*Composition: a chair, the chair of the Publications Committee, the SMT Web Manager, the Editor of *Music Theory Online (MTO)*, the *MTO* Managing Editor, the *SMT* List Manager, the liaison to the Executive Board, and two or more members-at-large as needed.*

MOTION: To approve \$1,500 for travel expenses associated with the Executive Director search.

MOTION: To award five SMT Lifetime Memberships.

MOTION: To move to 30-minute time slots for the 2018 joint AMS/SMT conference on a trial basis.

MOTION: To create an Ad Hoc Search Committee for a new SMT Executive Director.

MOTION: To create an Ad Hoc Transition Advisory Committee for a new SMT Executive Director.

MOTION: To approve the minutes of 2017 Executive Board September 15 Video Meeting.

MOTION: To approve the rationale and policy on SMT response.

MOTION: To add a new (seventh) bullet point to the list of “General Guidelines for Committees” on page 6 of the Governance Guidelines.

“The chair of each committee shall continuously update a Position and Succession Document and submit it annually to the Executive Director, President, and President-Elect or Past President by October 1.”