

PROPOSED BYLAW AMENDMENT: STUDENT MEMBERSHIP

Given that elimination of the Federation Initiation Fee and Local Initiation Fee for student musicians (musicians registered at an accredited school, college or university) will encourage and expand membership and participation in Local 802 by performers who are the beginning of their professional careers, and given that AFM Bylaws, Article 9, Section 4, provides in substance that pursuant to a properly constituted vote of its membership, a Local may establish a Student Membership classification, which shall enable a musician who is registered as a Student in an accredited school, college or university to join the Local as a Student Member and remain in that classification until they are no longer a student at which time they will become a regular member at the applicable rate of dues required for regular members and whereas,

Article 9, Section 4(a) of the AFM Bylaws, provides that Student Members have all the rights and obligations that regular members have, and they are subject to all AFM and Local rules regulations and Bylaws, and as whereas,

Article 9, Section 4(b) of the AFM Bylaws, provides that Student Members shall pay periodic dues at a rate set by the Local and Work Dues where applicable, but shall not pay Local Initiation Fee or the Federation Initiation Fee and that currently, there is no provision in the Local 802 Bylaws for Student Membership,

Wherefore, Local 802 member Harvey S. Mars (MO9577) Hereby Proposes:

That Local 802 amend its Bylaws as follows to provide for a Student Membership classification under the following criteria:

- Applicants for membership in Local 802 who produce proof of registration as an actively enrolled student in an accredited school, college or university may join as a Student Member and remain in that classification until they are no longer a student,
- Student members shall not be subject to either the Federation Initiation Fee or the Local Initiation fee,
- Student members shall pay regular dues as set by the Local and work dues where applicable,
- Student Members have all the rights and obligations that regular members have, and they are subject to all AFM and Local rules regulations and Bylaws.

The Local 802 Executive Board has reported this proposed bylaw amendment favorably.