



CHAPTER 67.

An Act respecting British Columbia Registered Music Teachers' Association.

[Assented to 3rd April, 1947.]

THIS MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, enacts as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the "Registered Music Teachers Act." Short title.
2. There is established a body corporate and politic under the name "British Columbia Registered Music Teachers' Association" (hereinafter called the "Association"). Incorporation.
3. The objects of the Association are:— Objects.
 - (a.) To raise the standard of the profession of music teaching in British Columbia:
 - (b.) To promote the interests of music teachers in British Columbia.
4. The members of the Association shall be those persons who, at the date of the passing of this Act, are members in good standing of the unincorporated association known as The British Columbia Music Teachers' Association, together with such persons as hereafter become members in accordance with the provisions of this Act. Members.
5. The Association may acquire and hold real and personal property for its corporate purposes, and may alienate, exchange, lease, mortgage, or otherwise dispose of the same or any part thereof as occasion may require. Power to acquire property, etc.

Provincial Council.

6. (1.) The affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Provincial Council.

(2.) Until a Provincial Council is elected under this Act, the Provincial Council of The British Columbia Music Teachers' Association shall be the Provincial Council.

(3.) The members of the Provincial Council shall be elected and shall hold office in accordance with the provisions of the by-laws of the Association.

Branches.

7. (1.) The Association shall have power to establish branches in the Province.

(2.) Until otherwise determined by the Provincial Council, the branches of The British Columbia Music Teachers' Association shall be deemed to be branches of the Association; and the constitution and by-laws of each such branch, as in force at the commencement of this Act, shall, so far as not inconsistent with this Act, continue to be the constitution and by-laws of each such branch until altered pursuant to the provisions of this Act.

(3.) A branch shall have power to make by-laws, not inconsistent with this Act or the by-laws of the Association, for the conduct of its own affairs.

Assets of The B.C. Music Teachers' Association.

8. The Association shall have power to acquire all the assets and to assume the debts of The British Columbia Music Teachers' Association: Provided that the assets and liabilities of each branch of The British Columbia Music Teachers' Association shall continue to be the assets and liabilities of each branch respectively.

Continuation of by-laws of the B.C. Association.

9. Until by-laws are made pursuant to the provisions of this Act, the constitution and by-laws of The British Columbia Music Teachers' Association shall, so far as not inconsistent with this Act, be deemed to be the by-laws of the Association.

By-laws.

10. (1.) The Provincial Council may make by-laws for all purposes relating to the affairs, business, property, and objects of the Association.

(2.) Without limiting the generality of subsection (1), the power of the Provincial Council to make by-laws shall extend to the following matters:—

- (a.) The admission of persons as members of the Association and the qualifications required for admission:
- (b.) The examination of applicants for membership:
- (c.) The registration of members and the issue of registration certificates:
- (d.) The appointment, functions, duties, and removal of officers or servants of the Association and their remuneration, if any:

- (e.) The time at which and the place where the meeting for the purpose of electing officers shall be held:
 - (f.) The conduct of meetings, including the manner in which voting shall be conducted at such meetings:
 - (g.) The establishment and dissolution of branches:
 - (h.) The relationship of branches to the Association, including the basis on which branches shall contribute to the funds of the Association and the basis on which members of branches shall be deemed to be members of the Association:
 - (i.) The number of members of which the Provincial Council shall consist:
 - (j.) The extent to which, and the manner in which, branches may be represented on the Provincial Council:
 - (k.) The term of office of members of the Provincial Council:
 - (l.) The manner in which the election of members of the Provincial Council shall be conducted:
 - (m.) The determination of the registration fees and the annual fee to be paid by members and the method of collecting same:
 - (n.) The suspension and expulsion of members and the removal of the names of expelled members from the register:
 - (o.) The conduct generally of the affairs of the Association.
- (3.) No by-law shall be valid unless approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

11. (1.) There shall be a Board of Examiners for the purpose Board of Examiners. of conducting examinations of applicants for membership.

(2.) The Board of Examiners shall consist of three persons, of whom two shall be appointed by the Provincial Council and the third by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

(3.) The remuneration, if any, of the Board of Examiners shall be paid by the Association.

12. (1.) The Association may establish and administer a Benevolent Fund Benevolent Fund. for any member or the family of any deceased member of the Association who may require financial assistance, and for that purpose may provide for contributions to be made by members.

(2.) Each branch of the Association may likewise establish and administer a Benevolent Fund for that branch.

13. Until officers are elected in accordance with this Act, the officers of The British Columbia Music Teachers' Association Continuation of officers. and the officers of each branch thereof shall continue to be the officers of the Association of each branch respectively.

Right to use
designation.

14. Every person registered as a member of the Association shall, so long as his or her name remains on the register, be entitled to use the designation "Registered Music Teacher" or the abbreviation "R.M.T.," and any person not so registered who assumes such designation or uses the abbreviation "R.M.T.," or in any manner represents that he or she is a registered music teacher, or who by false or fraudulent declaration or statement attempts to procure registration under this Act, shall be guilty of an offence and liable, on summary conviction, to a fine of not less than five dollars and not more than twenty-five dollars, and in default of payment to imprisonment for a period not exceeding one month.

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