

Form **990**

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

OMB No. 1545-0047

2015
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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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▶ Information about Form 990 and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

A For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning **JUL 1, 2015** and ending **JUN 30, 2016**

B Check if applicable:	C Name of organization NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR MUSIC EDUCATION	D Employer identification number 52-6045043
Address change Name change Initial return Final return/terminated Amended return Application pending	Doing business as	E Telephone number (703) 860-4000
	Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 1806 ROBERT FULTON DRIVE	
	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code RESTON, VA 20191-4348	G Gross receipts \$ 9,553,719.
F Name and address of principal officer: MICHAEL J BLAKESLEE SAME AS C ABOVE		H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
I Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) 501(c) () ◀ (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527		H(b) Are all subordinates included? Yes No
J Website: ▶ WWW.NAFME.ORG		If "No," attach a list. (see instructions)
K Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation Trust Association Other ▶		H(c) Group exemption number ▶
L Year of formation: 1907		M State of legal domicile: VA

Part I Summary

1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: NAFME'S MISSION IS TO ADVANCE MUSIC EDUCATION BY ENCOURAGING THE STUDY AND MAKING OF MUSIC BY ALL.		
2	Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	13
4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	13
5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2015 (Part V, line 2a)	5	47
6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	150
7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	250,536.
7b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	6,518.
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	4,000,498.	4,151,578.
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	2,554,489.	3,142,110.
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	358,122.	11,657.
	12 Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1,267,059.	926,152.
		8,180,168.	8,231,497.
Expenses	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	0.	0.
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0.	0.
	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	3,092,403.	3,245,336.
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0.	0.
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 110,857.		
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	4,824,245.	5,209,252.
18 Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	7,916,648.	8,454,588.	
19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	263,520.	-223,091.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	8,119,925.	7,651,890.
	22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	2,994,878.	2,932,565.
		5,125,047.	4,719,325.

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here	▶ FILED ELECTRONICALLY	▶ 03/24/2017
	Signature of officer	Date
	▶ MICHAEL J BLAKESLEE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/CEO	
	Type or print name and title	
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name ELIZABETH HELLER	Preparer's signature <i>Elizabeth Heller</i>
	Date 3/24/2017	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/> PTIN P00397829
	Firm's name ▶ TATE AND TRYON	Firm's EIN ▶ 52-1855942
	Firm's address ▶ 2021 L STREET, NW SUITE 400 WASHINGTON, DC 20036	Phone no. (202) 293-2200

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) Yes No

IRS e-file Signature Authorization for an Exempt Organization

For calendar year 2015, or fiscal year beginning JUL 1, 2015, and ending JUN 30, 2016

2015

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▶ Information about Form 8879-EO and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form8879eo.

Name of exempt organization

Employer identification number

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR MUSIC EDUCATION

52-6045043

Name and title of officer

**MICHAEL J BLAKESLEE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/CEO**

Part I Type of Return and Return Information (Whole Dollars Only)

Check the box for the return for which you are using this Form 8879-EO and enter the applicable amount, if any, from the return. If you check the box on line 1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, or 5a, below, and the amount on that line for the return being filed with this form was blank, then leave line 1b, 2b, 3b, 4b, or 5b, whichever is applicable, blank (do not enter -0-). But, if you entered -0- on the return, then enter -0- on the applicable line below. Do not complete more than 1 line in Part I.

1a Form 990 check here	▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	b Total revenue, if any (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1b	<u>8,231,497.</u>
2a Form 990-EZ check here	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Total revenue, if any (Form 990-EZ, line 9)	2b	_____
3a Form 1120-POL check here	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Total tax (Form 1120-POL, line 22)	3b	_____
4a Form 990-PF check here	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Tax based on investment income (Form 990-PF, Part VI, line 5)	4b	_____
5a Form 8868 check here	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Balance Due (Form 8868, Part I, line 3c or Part II, line 8c)	5b	_____

Part II Declaration and Signature Authorization of Officer

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I am an officer of the above organization and that I have examined a copy of the organization's 2015 electronic return and accompanying schedules and statements and to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. I further declare that the amount in Part I above is the amount shown on the copy of the organization's electronic return. I consent to allow my intermediate service provider, transmitter, or electronic return originator (ERO) to send the organization's return to the IRS and to receive from the IRS (a) an acknowledgement of receipt or reason for rejection of the transmission, (b) the reason for any delay in processing the return or refund, and (c) the date of any refund. If applicable, I authorize the U.S. Treasury and its designated Financial Agent to initiate an electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) entry to the financial institution account indicated in the tax preparation software for payment of the organization's federal taxes owed on this return, and the financial institution to debit the entry to this account. To revoke a payment, I must contact the U.S. Treasury Financial Agent at 1-888-353-4537 no later than 2 business days prior to the payment (settlement) date. I also authorize the financial institutions involved in the processing of the electronic payment of taxes to receive confidential information necessary to answer inquiries and resolve issues related to the payment. I have selected a personal identification number (PIN) as my signature for the organization's electronic return and, if applicable, the organization's consent to electronic funds withdrawal.

Officer's PIN: check one box only

I authorize TATE AND TRYON to enter my PIN 20191
ERO firm name Enter five numbers, but do not enter all zeros

as my signature on the organization's tax year 2015 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I also authorize the aforementioned ERO to enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

As an officer of the organization, I will enter my PIN as my signature on the organization's tax year 2015 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I will enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

Officer's signature ▶ *Michael J Blakeslee* Date ▶ 03/22/2017

Part III Certification and Authentication

ERO's EFIN/PIN. Enter your six-digit electronic filing identification number (EFIN) followed by your five-digit self-selected PIN.

52472820036
do not enter all zeros

I certify that the above numeric entry is my PIN, which is my signature on the 2015 electronically filed return for the organization indicated above. I confirm that I am submitting this return in accordance with the requirements of Pub. 4163, Modernized e-File (MeF) Information for Authorized IRS e-file Providers for Business Returns.

ERO's signature ▶ *Michael J Blakeslee* Date ▶ 3/7/2017

**ERO Must Retain This Form - See Instructions
Do Not Submit This Form To the IRS Unless Requested To Do So**

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III [X]

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission: NAFME'S MISSION IS TO ADVANCE MUSIC EDUCATION BY ENCOURAGING THE STUDY AND MAKING OF MUSIC BY ALL.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? [] Yes [X] No

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? [] Yes [X] No

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses.

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ 904,414. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 1,038,212.) PERIODICALS MUSIC EDUCATORS JOURNAL/TEACHING MUSIC MUSIC EDUCATORS JOURNAL IS PUBLISHED IN SEPTEMBER, DECEMBER, MARCH AND JUNE EACH YEAR. TEACHING MUSIC IS PUBLISHED IN AUGUST, OCTOBER, NOVEMBER, JANUARY, FEBRUARY, AND APRIL EACH YEAR. THE MAGAZINES DEAL WITH ALL ASPECTS OF MUSIC AND MUSIC EDUCATION FOR THE CLASSROOM, ELEMENTARY THROUGH THE UNIVERSITY LEVEL. MUSIC EDUCATORS JOURNAL IS A PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATION; TEACHING MUSIC FOCUSES ON PRACTICAL TEACHING INFORMATION AND NEWS ABOUT THE FIELD.

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS THIS CONSISTS OF TWO SCHOLARLY JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS: UPDATE AND JOURNAL 4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 244,615. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 5,524,228.) MEMBERSHIP - REGULAR THE NAFME MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM IS INVOLVED IN PRODUCING AND MAILING MEMBERSHIP PROMOTION MATERIALS, MAILING MEMBERSHIP NOTICES TO THE ASSOCIATION'S MEMBERS, COLLECTION AND TRACKING OF NATIONAL, STATE, AND STUDENT CHAPTER DUES, AND MAINTAINING ALL MEMBERSHIP RECORDS AND DATA. OTHER IMPORTANT FUNCTIONS INCLUDE THE DISTRIBUTION OF MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION AND MANAGEMENT OF SERVICES DESIGNED TO BE OF BENEFIT TO MEMBERS.

MEMBERSHIP - TRI-M TRI-M IS AN INTERNATIONAL MUSIC HONOR SOCIETY FOR MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS. ITS FOCUS IS TO ENCOURAGE MUSIC EDUCATORS TO RECOGNIZE 4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ 3,116,758. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 1,237,688.) MEETINGS, CONFERENCES AND CONVENTION NAFME MEETINGS AND CONVENTIONS ARE MOUNTED TO FURNISH INSERVICE AND PRESERVICE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR MUSIC EDUCATORS, TO ALLOW FOR THE EXCHANGE OF IDEAS AMONG MEMBERS AND OTHER TEACHERS, AND TO FACILITATE THE GROWTH OF KNOWLEDGE OF CENTRAL ISSUES TO MUSIC EDUCATION AMONG PROFESSIONALS. NAFME STAFF ENGAGE IN SITE VISITS, PLANNING MEETINGS, PROGRAMMING, AND CONTRACTORS ON-SITE EXECUTION OF ALL NATIONAL CONFERENCES AND LEADERSHIP MEETINGS.

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.) (Expenses \$ 2,258,100. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses 6,523,887.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i>	X	
2 Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> ?		X
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i>		X
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>	X	
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>		X
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i>		X
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i>		X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i>		X
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i>		X
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i>	X	
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</i>	X	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments - other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII</i>		X
c Did the organization report an amount for investments - program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII</i>		X
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i>		X
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>		X
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>		X
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII</i>		X
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional</i>	X	
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		X
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV</i>		X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i>		X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i>		X
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i>		X
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>		X
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>		X

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		X
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>		X
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>		X
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>	X	
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i>		X
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		X
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		X
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>		X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>		X
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		X
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		X
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>		X
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>		X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>	X	
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		X
b If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		X
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>		X
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	X	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V

Table with columns for question numbers (1a-14b), descriptions, and Yes/No checkboxes. Includes sub-questions for backup withholding, employee reporting, foreign accounts, and charitable contributions.

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.		
	1a	13	
b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent		
	1b	13	
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?		X
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		X
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		X
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		X
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	X	
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	X	
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	X	
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a	The governing body?	X	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	X	
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O		X

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

		Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		X
b	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?		
10b			
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	X	
b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.		
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	X	
b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	X	
c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	X	
12c			
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	X	
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	X	
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	X	
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	X	
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions).		
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		X
b	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		
16b			

Section C. Disclosure

- 17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed **▶ VA**
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
 Own website Another's website Upon request Other (explain in Schedule O)
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
- 20** State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records: **▶**
PAUL BAKER, CFO - (703) 860-4000
1806 ROBERT FULTON DRIVE, RESTON, VA 20191-4348

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) GLENN E. NIERMAN NEB PRESIDENT	18.75 0.00	X					75,000.	0.	0.	
(2) DENESE ODEGAARD PRESIDENT ELECT	3.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(3) NANCY DITMER IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT	5.00 1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(4) ROBERT FRAMPTON EASTERN DIVISION PRESIDENT	1.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(5) LANCE NIELSEN NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION PRESIDENT	1.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(6) MARK LANE NORTHWEST DIVISION PRESIDENT	1.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(7) MARIBETH YODER-WHITE SOUTHERN DIVISION PRESIDENT	1.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(8) JAMES SOUTH SOUTHWESTERN DIVISION PRESIDENT	1.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(9) DAVID FULLMER WESTERN DIVISION PRESIDENT	1.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(10) WILLIAM GUEGOLD NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION IMMEDIATE PAS	1.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(11) ELLEN KIEKBRIDE WESTERN DIVISION IMMEDIATE PAST PRES	1.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(12) THOMAS DEAN EASTERN DIVISION IMMEDIATE PAST PRES	1.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(13) CHRISTINE FISHER SOUTHERN DIVISION IMMEDIATE PAST PRE	1.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(14) MICHAEL A BUTERA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR - CEO (TIL MAY)	36.50 1.00			X			259,673.	0.	17,492.	
(15) MICHAEL J BLAKESLEE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR - CEO (FROM MAY)	37.50 0.00			X			148,525.	0.	23,544.	
(16) PAUL L BAKER CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER - CFO	35.50 2.00			X			98,737.	0.	8,174.	
(17) JANE M BALEK ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR - AED	34.50 3.00				X		107,398.	0.	7,492.	

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(18) MARLYNN J LIKENS ASSOC EXEC DIR GOVERNANCE & POLICY	37.50 0.00					X		101,677.	0.	22,462.
(19) CHRIS B WOODSIDE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	37.50 0.00					X		105,057.	0.	7,343.
1b Sub-total								896,067.	0.	86,507.
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A								0.	0.	0.
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								896,067.	0.	86,507.

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **5**

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		X
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	X	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		X

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
GELIA, 390 SOUTH YOUNGS ROAD, WILLIAMSVILLE, NY 14221	MARKETING CONSULTING	288,724.
CONFERENCE DIRECT, 6420 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD, SUITE 1900, LOS ANGELES, CA	CONFERENCE SERVICES	129,349.
WINZSON DANG 4106 PLAZA LANE, FAIRFAX, VA 22033	COMPUTER PROGRAMMING	107,037.

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization **3**

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1 a Federated campaigns	1a					
	b Membership dues	1b	4,108,950.				
	c Fundraising events	1c					
	d Related organizations	1d					
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e					
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	42,628.				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$		250.				
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		4,151,578.				
Program Service Revenue	2 a MEMBERSHIP REVENUE	Business Code					
		900099	1,415,278.	1,415,278.			
	b REGISTRATION	900099	1,060,789.	1,060,789.			
	c MANAGEMENT FEES	900099	278,043.	278,043.			
	d MEJ/TM PUBLICATION SUBSCRIPTIONS	900099	211,101.	211,101.			
	e SPONSORSHIPS	900099	167,550.	167,550.			
	f All other program service revenue	900099	9,349.	9,349.			
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		3,142,110.				
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		69,986.			69,986.	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
	5 Royalties		212,176.			212,176.	
	6 a Gross rents	(i) Real	38,211.				
		(ii) Personal					
		b Less: rental expenses	0.				
		c Rental income or (loss)	38,211.				
	d Net rental income or (loss)		38,211.			38,211.	
	7 a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	1,109,634.				
		(ii) Other					
		b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	1,167,963.				
		c Gain or (loss)	-58,329.				
	d Net gain or (loss)		-58,329.			-58,329.	
	8 a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a					
		b Less: direct expenses	b				
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events							
9 a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a						
	b Less: direct expenses	b					
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities						
10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a	576,475.					
	b Less: cost of goods sold	b	154,259.				
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory		422,216.	422,216.			
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code					
11 a ADVERTISING REVENUE		541800	250,536.		250,536.		
	b MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	900099	3,013.	3,013.			
	c _____						
	d All other revenue						
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d			253,549.				
12 Total revenue. See instructions.			8,231,497.	3,567,339.	250,536.	262,044.	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	581,935.	204,099.	377,836.	
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	2,116,555.	1,439,029.	665,720.	11,806.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits	546,846.	359,163.	185,103.	2,580.
10 Payroll taxes				
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management	967,962.	841,182.	115,856.	10,924.
b Legal	65,655.		65,655.	
c Accounting	42,800.		42,800.	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees	42,500.		42,500.	
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Sch O.)				
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses	257,434.	243,487.	6,543.	7,404.
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy				
17 Travel	1,242,860.	1,213,444.	28,929.	487.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	451,832.	442,309.	568.	8,955.
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	232,729.	164,700.	66,490.	1,539.
23 Insurance	27,009.	19,114.	7,716.	179.
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a PUBLICATIONS PRINTING	802,606.	791,007.	8,463.	3,136.
b OVERHEAD	702,687.	497,295.	200,778.	4,614.
c MEMBERSHIP PROMOTION&RE	62,148.	62,148.		
d OTHER	27,599.	27,599.		
e All other expenses	283,431.	219,311.	4,887.	59,233.
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	8,454,588.	6,523,887.	1,819,844.	110,857.
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation.				

Check here if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)

Part X Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing	179,879.	1	213,976.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	298,064.	2	148,256.
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	253,057.	4	291,157.
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instr). Complete Part II of Sch L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use	168,838.	8	136,454.
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	172,428.	9	169,007.
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 5,347,429.		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 3,046,885.	2,496,044.	10c 2,300,544.
	11 Investments - publicly traded securities	4,551,615.	11	4,392,496.
	12 Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11		15	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	8,119,925.	16	7,651,890.	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	900,143.	17	880,775.
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	2,094,735.	19	2,051,790.
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D		25	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	2,994,878.	26	2,932,565.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	5,009,745.	27	4,627,631.
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	40,167.	28	16,559.
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	75,135.	29	75,135.
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
33 Total net assets or fund balances	5,125,047.	33	4,719,325.	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	8,119,925.	34	7,651,890.	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	8,231,497.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	8,454,588.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-223,091.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	5,125,047.
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	-84,815.
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	-97,816.
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	0.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	4,719,325.

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? _____ If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		X
b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? _____ If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	X	
c	If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? _____ If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.	X	
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133? _____		X
b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits _____		

Form 990 (2015)

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.
▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR MUSIC EDUCATION	Employer identification number 52-6045043
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Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box.)

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ).)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____
- 5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 8 A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 9 An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)
- 10 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2)**. See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box in lines 11a through 11d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e, 11f, and 11g.
 - a **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
 - b **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
 - c **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
 - d **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
 - e Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
 - f Enter the number of supported organizations _____
- g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-9 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
Total						

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3						
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4						
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						<input type="checkbox"/>

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2015 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	%
15 Public support percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	%
16a 33 1/3% support test - 2015. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input type="checkbox"/>
b 33 1/3% support test - 2014. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input type="checkbox"/>
17a 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2015. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input type="checkbox"/>
b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2014. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input type="checkbox"/>
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions		<input type="checkbox"/>

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	4791020.	3500442.	4877110.	5226448.	4151578.	22546598.
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose	1918115.	2026564.	1657916.	1877203.	3721598.	11201396.
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5	6709135.	5527006.	6535026.	7103651.	7873176.	33747994.
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						0.
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						0.
c Add lines 7a and 7b						0.
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						33747994.

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6	6709135.	5527006.	6535026.	7103651.	7873176.	33747994.
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	419,298.	509,599.	442,681.	432,386.	320,373.	2124337.
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b	419,298.	509,599.	442,681.	432,386.	320,373.	2124337.
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on	17,007.	20,447.				37,454.
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)	7145440.	6057052.	6977707.	7536037.	8193549.	35909785.

14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here**

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2015 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	93.98 %
16 Public support percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	93.46 %

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2015 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	5.92 %
18 Investment income percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	6.31 %

19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2015. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

b 33 1/3% support tests - 2014. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box in line 11 on Part I. If you checked 11a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 11b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 11c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 11d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <i>If "No" describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.</i>		
2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>		
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
b Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.</i>		
c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.</i>		
4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? <i>If "Yes," and if you checked 11a or 11b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.</i>		
c Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.</i>		
5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed; (ii) the reasons for each such action; (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action; and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).</i>		
b Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
c Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
9a Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
b Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
c Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? <i>If "Yes," answer 10b below.</i>		
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? <i>(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)</i>		

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

	Yes	No
11 Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
a A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
b A family member of a person described in (a) above?		
c A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? <i>If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI.</i>		

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.</i>		
2 Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.</i>		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).</i>		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?		
2 Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? <i>If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).</i>		
3 By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.</i>		

Section E. Type III Functionally-Integrated Supporting Organizations

1 Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions):		
a <input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.		
b <input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.		
c <input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions).		
2 Activities Test. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? <i>If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.</i>		
b Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.</i>		
3 Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? Provide details in Part VI.		
b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.</i>		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

1 Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970. See instructions. All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A - Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Net short-term capital gain	1	
2	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2	
3	Other gross income (see instructions)	3	
4	Add lines 1 through 3	4	
5	Depreciation and depletion	5	
6	Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6	
7	Other expenses (see instructions)	7	
8	Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6 and 7 from line 4)	8	

Section B - Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):		
a	Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e	Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI):		
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6	Multiply line 5 by .035	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

Section C - Distributable Amount			Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1	
2	Enter 85% of line 1	2	
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3	
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3	4	
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6	Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	6	
7	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally-integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).		

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Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations (continued)

Section D - Distributions	Current Year
1 Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions.	
7 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6.	
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions.	
9 Distributable amount for 2015 from Section C, line 6	
10 Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2015	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2015
1 Distributable amount for 2015 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2015 (reasonable cause required-see instructions)			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2015:			
a			
b			
c			
d From 2013			
e From 2014			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2015 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2010 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f.			
4 Distributions for 2015 from Section D, line 7: \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2015 distributable amount			
c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4.			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2015, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions).			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2015. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions).			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2016. Add lines 3j and 4c.			
8 Breakdown of line 7:			
a			
b			
c Excess from 2013			
d Excess from 2014			
e Excess from 2015			

Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2015

SCHEDULE C
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

OMB No. 1545-0047

2015

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

▶ **Complete if the organization is described below.** ▶ **Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.**

▶ **Information about Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at** www.irs.gov/form990.

If the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and B. Do not complete Part I-C.
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and C below. Do not complete Part I-B.
- Section 527 organizations: Complete Part I-A only.

If the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-A. Do not complete Part II-B.
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-B. Do not complete Part II-A.

If the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 5 (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35c (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations: Complete Part III.

Name of organization NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR MUSIC EDUCATION	Employer identification number 52-6045043
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Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV.
- 2 Political expenditures ▶ \$ _____
- 3 Volunteer hours _____

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 ▶ \$ _____
- 2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ▶ \$ _____
- 3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? Yes No
- 4a Was a correction made? Yes No
- b If "Yes," describe in Part IV.

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ _____
- 2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ _____
- 3 Total exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ▶ \$ _____
- 4 Did the filing organization file **Form 1120-POL** for this year? Yes No
- 5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization. If none, enter -0-.

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Part II-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

- A** Check if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures).
- B** Check if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply.

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)	(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1a Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)														
b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)														
c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)														
d Other exempt purpose expenditures														
e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)														
f Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.														
<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width:35%;">If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th style="width:65%;">The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:	Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.	Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.		
If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:													
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.													
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.													
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.													
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.													
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.													
g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)														
h Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-														
i Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-														
j If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No												

4-Year Averaging Period Under section 501(h)
 (Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below.
 See the separate instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2012	(b) 2013	(c) 2014	(d) 2015	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					
c Total lobbying expenditures					
d Grassroots nontaxable amount					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2015

Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

For each "Yes," response on lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity.	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:			
a Volunteers?	X		
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)? ..	X		
c Media advertisements?		X	
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?	X		1,019.
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?	X		2,222.
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?		X	
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?	X		46,802.
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?	X		53,312.
i Other activities?		X	
j Total. Add lines 1c through 1i			103,355.
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?		X	
b If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

	Yes	No
1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	1	
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2	
3 Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	3	

Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No," OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."

1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	
2 Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a Current year	2a	
b Carryover from last year	2b	
c Total	2c	
3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	
4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	5	

Part IV Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1; Part I-B, line 4; Part I-C, line 5; Part II-A (affiliated group list); Part II-A, lines 1 and 2 (see instructions); and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

PART II-B, LINE 1, LOBBYING ACTIVITIES:

MAILINGS TO MEMBERS, LEGISLATORS, AND THE PUBLIC - \$1,019

PUBLICATIONS - \$2,222

DIRECT CONTACT WITH LEGISLATORS AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS - \$46,802

RALLIES, DEMONSTRATIONS, SEMINARS, CONVENTIONS, SPEECHES, LECTURES -

\$53,312

SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.**
▶ **Attach to Form 990.**

▶ **Information about Schedule D (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.**

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Name of the organization NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR MUSIC EDUCATION **Employer identification number** 52-6045043

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		
5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).
 Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education) Preservation of a historically important land area
 Protection of natural habitat Preservation of a certified historic structure
 Preservation of open space

2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.

	Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2d

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶ _____

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ _____

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ _____

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \$ _____

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?

9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.

b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items:

(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items:

a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items

(check all that apply):

- a Public exhibition
- b Scholarly research
- c Preservation for future generations
- d Loan or exchange programs
- e Other _____

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? Yes No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:

	Amount
c Beginning balance	1c
d Additions during the year	1d
e Distributions during the year	1e
f Ending balance	1f

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided on Part XIII

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance	90,088.	86,456.	86,156.	101,691.	136,838.
b Contributions	1,500.	3,532.	200.	2,500.	1,006,536.
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	2,106.	2,100.	2,100.	2,170.	2,790.
d Grants or scholarships				20,205.	1,044,473.
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs	2,000.	2,000.	2,000.		
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance	91,694.	90,088.	86,456.	86,156.	101,691.

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:

- a Board designated or quasi-endowment _____ %
- b Permanent endowment 81.94 %
- c Temporarily restricted endowment 18.06 %

The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

- (i) unrelated organizations
- (ii) related organizations

	Yes	No
3a(i)		X
3a(ii)		X
3b		

b If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

4 Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land		1,069,089.		1,069,089.
b Buildings		2,323,736.	1,502,659.	821,077.
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		1,954,604.	1,544,226.	410,378.
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.)				2,300,544.

Part VII Investments - Other Securities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ▶		

Part VIII Investments - Program Related.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.) ▶		

Part IX Other Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.) ▶	

Part X Other Liabilities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ▶	

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740). Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	8,300,941.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	-84,815.
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	154,259.
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	69,444.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	8,231,497.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	0.
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5	8,231,497.

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	8,608,847.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	154,259.
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	154,259.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	8,454,588.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	0.
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5	8,454,588.

Part XIII Supplemental Information.

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

PART XI, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

COST OF GOODS SOLD 154,259.

PART XII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

COST OF GOODS SOLD 154,259.

**SCHEDULE J
(Form 990)**

Compensation Information

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For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

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Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef) |

b If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain

2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?

3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

4 During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:

- a** Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?
- b** Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?
- c** Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?
- If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.

Only section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.

5 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:

- a** The organization?
- b** Any related organization?
- If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

6 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:

- a** The organization?
- b** Any related organization?
- If "Yes" on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

7 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described on lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III

8 Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III

9 If "Yes" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?

	Yes	No
1a		
1b		
2		
3		
4a	X	
4b		X
4c		X
5a		X
5b		X
6a		X
6b		X
7		X
8		X
9		

LHA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990.

Schedule J (Form 990) 2015

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note: The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
(1) MICHAEL A BUTERA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR - CEO (TIL MAY)	(i)	245,433.	9,550.	4,690.	17,492.	374.	277,539.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(2) MICHAEL J BLAKESLEE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR - CEO (FROM MAY)	(i)	141,841.	100.	6,584.	10,156.	15,850.	174,531.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
	(i)							
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	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							

Part III Supplemental Information

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

PART I, LINE 4A:

MICHAEL BUTERA - SEVERANCE PAYMENT OF \$185,127.39.

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
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Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4A, PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

OF RESEARCH AND MUSIC EDUCATION (JRME). UPDATE IS AN ONLINE PUBLICATION
ADDRESSING APPLICATIONS OF RESEARCH IN MUSIC EDUCATION. THE JRME
PUBLISHES IN PRINT AND ON-LINE THE RESULTS OF RESEARCH IN MUSIC
EDUCATION, MUSIC HISTORY, MUSIC PERCEPTION, AND MUSIC SOCIOLOGY. THE
PURPOSE OF THESE JOURNALS IS TO PUBLISH AND/OR DISTRIBUTE MATERIALS
THAT ARE OF VALUE TO THE NAFME'S MEMBERS AND OTHERS INTERESTED IN MUSIC
EDUCATION.

GENERAL MUSIC TODAY

AN ONLINE JOURNAL, DESIGNED TO MEET THE NEEDS OF NAFME MEMBERS WHO
PARTICIPATE TEACHING GENERAL MUSIC, A SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP DESIGNED
TO ENCOURAGE AND IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF TEACHING AND RESEARCH IN
GENERAL MUSIC AT ALL LEVELS.

JOURNAL OF MUSIC TEACHER EDUCATION

DEVELOPED TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY FOR MUSIC
TEACHER EDUCATION (A CONSTITUENT GROUP WITHIN NAFME), THE JOURNAL OF
MUSIC TEACHER EDUCATION IS DEDICATED TO THE SOCIETY'S GOALS OF
IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF TEACHING AND RESEARCH IN MUSIC TEACHER
EDUCATION, PROVIDING LEADERSHIP IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF STANDARDS FOR
THE CERTIFICATION OF MUSIC TEACHERS, AND INFLUENCING DEVELOPMENT IN
MUSIC TEACHER EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATION.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4B, PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

AND MOTIVATE MUSICAL AND PERSONAL ACHEIVEMENTS IN THEIR STUDENTS.

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MEMBERSHIP - COLLEGIATE

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY STUDENTS ENROLLED IN MUSIC EDUCATION DEGREE PROGRAMS OR OTHERWISE INTERESTED IN MUSIC EDUCATION DEGREE PROGRAMS OR OTHERWISE INTERESTED IN MUSIC EDUCATION ARE ELIGIBLE TO BE COLLEGIATE MEMBERS OF NAFME. ACTIVE MEMBER CHAPTERS ARE ON MOST CAMPUSES OF INSTITUTIONS OFFERING MUSIC EDUCATION DEGREES.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4D, OTHER PROGRAM SERVICES:

SPECIAL PROJECTS

PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN IN COOPERATION WITH OUTSIDE ENTITIES INCLUDING CORPORATIONS AND OTHER ASSOCIATIONS. PROJECTS ARE CHOSEN AND ADMINISTERED ACCORDING TO NAFME'S BOARD APPROVED GUIDELINES, WITH THE VIEW OF FURTHERING THE MISSION AND GOALS OF THE ASSOCIATION. EXPENSES \$ 1,656,967. INCLUDING GRANTS OF \$ 0. REVENUE \$ 0.

WEBSITES

THE NAFME WEBSITES SERVE AS ESSENTIAL RESOURCES FOR ASSOCIATION LEADERSHIP, MEMBERS IN THE FIELD, AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC. THESE SITES INCLUDE THE PRINCIPAL ASSOCIATION'S SITE, WWW.NAFME.ORG; AND A SITE FOR NAFME'S LEADERSHIP AT HTTP://EXECUTIVE.NAFME.ORG. IN ADDITION, NAFME MAINTAINS WEEKLY ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS FOR MEMBERS AND OCCASIONAL ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS FOR SUBGROUPS INCLUDING COLLEGIATE MEMBERS, TRI-M HONOR SOCIETY MEMBERS, AND MEMBERS INTERESTED IN ADVOCACY.

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS ADVOCACY

THIS CENTER IS THE GOVERNMENT RELATIONS WING OF NAFME. WE ADVOCATE AND LOBBY FOR MUSIC EDUCATION AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL. TO SUPPORT THAT, WE

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CREATE RESOURCES, BUILD COALITIONS, EDUCATE MEMBERS, AND MAINTAIN AN
ADVOCACY WEBSITE. MOST IMPORTANTLY, WE PROVIDE SUPPORT TO OUR STATE
MUSIC EDUCATION ASSOCIATIONS AS THEY SEEK TO PROVIDE A COMPREHENSIVE
MUSIC EDUCATION, TAUGHT BY EXEMPLARY MUSIC EDUCATORS. TO RAISE PUBLIC
AWARENESS OF THE IMPORTANCE OF MUSIC EDUCATION, NAFME SPONSORS PUBLIC
OUTREACH PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO SUPPORT SCHOOL MUSIC PROGRAMS.
EXPENSES \$ 121,750. INCLUDING GRANTS OF \$ 0. REVENUE \$ 0.

PROMOTION

NAFME'S PROMOTION PROGRAM IS DESIGNED TO RECRUIT AND RETAIN MEMBERS,
AND TO INFORM MEMBERS AND OTHERS OF CURRENT NAFME ACTIVITIES.
EXPENSES \$ 479,383. INCLUDING GRANTS OF \$ 0. REVENUE \$ 0.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

CONSISTS OF TWO SEPARATELY FUNDED SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS, THE HARLEY
SCHOLARSHIP FUND, AND THE KANE SCHOLARSHIP FUND. SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS ARE
GIVEN ANNUALLY TO PROMISING INDIVIDUALS TO SUPPORT MUSIC EDUCATION.

BOOK PUBLICATIONS

THE PUBLICATIONS ARE PRODUCED TO MEET MEMBER NEEDS FOR TEACHING MUSIC,
CONTINUING EDUCATION, AND GAINING AND PRESERVING PUBLIC RELATIONS
SUPPORT FOR MUSIC EDUCATION.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6:

EXPLANATION OF CLASSES OF MEMBERS OR SHAREHOLDERS: NAFME HAS 55,000 ACTIVE
VOTING MEMBERS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7A:

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HOW MEMBERS OR SHAREHOLDERS ELECT GOVERNING BODY: MEMBERS USE AN ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEM TO GOVERN ACTIONS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7B:

DECISIONS OF GOVERNING BODY APPROVAL BY MEMBERS OR SHAREHOLDERS: CHANGES IN NAFME BYLAWS REQUIRE VOTING BY ACTIVE MEMBERS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11:

PROCESS FOR REVIEW OF FORM 990:

THE FORM 990 IS FIRST REVIEWED BY THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER ALONG WITH THE PREPARER (CPA FIRM). THE FORM 990 IS THEN REVIEWED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. THE FORM 990 IS THEN MADE AVAILABLE TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE FOR REVIEW. THE FORM 990 IS THEN MADE AVAILABLE TO THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD FOR REVIEW. AFTER ALL REVIEWS ARE COMPLETED AND NO CHANGES ARE NECESSARY, THE FORM 990 IS FILED WITH THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C:

PROCESS FOR ANNUALLY MONITORING CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY: ALL BOARD MEMBERS AGREE TO DECLARE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST BETWEEN THEIR PERSONAL OR PROFESSIONAL LIFE AND THEIR POSITION ON THE BOARD, AVOID USING THEIR BOARD MEMBERSHIP OR NAFME'S STAFF, SERVICES, EQUIPMENT, RESOURCES, OR PROPERTY FOR THEIR PERSONAL ADVANTAGE OR THAT OF THEIR FRIENDS, RELATIVES OR OTHER THIRD PARTIES, AND ABSTAIN FROM VOTING OR DISCUSSION WHEN APPROPRIATE, ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH NAFME'S CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY.

PROCEDURES FOR MONITORING AND ENFORCING CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY: THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR SELF-GOVERNANCE INCLUDING THE INVESTIGATION OF ANY CLAIMS OF MISCONDUCT MADE ABOUT A DIRECTOR AND

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DISCIPLINARY ACTION FOR ANY CLAIMS OF MISCONDUCT FOUND TO BE VALID. THE BOARD MAY MODIFY THESE PROCEDURES FOR REVIEWING BOARD MEMBER CONDUCT FROM TIME TO TIME. ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD CONSENT TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE THEN CURRENT PROCEDURES IF ANY CLAIMS OF MISCONDUCT ARE MADE AGAINST THEM.

1) COMPLAINTS: COMPLAINTS ABOUT ANY OFFICER OR DIRECTOR MAY BE MADE TO THE PRESIDENT OR ANY OTHER OFFICER OR DIRECTOR OF NAFME. ANYONE RECEIVING A COMPLAINT SHALL PROMPTLY FORWARD IT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR INVESTIGATION.

COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE PRESIDENT SHALL BE PROMPTLY FORWARDED TO THE IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT OR, IN THE ABSENCE OF THE IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT, TO ANY

OTHER PAST PRESIDENT ON THE BOARD. 2) CONFIDENTIALITY: ALL COMPLAINTS OF MISCONDUCT WILL BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY TO CONDUCT A THOROUGH INVESTIGATION. 3) MATERIAL VIOLATION: A MATERIAL

VIOLATION OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT IS ONE THAT RESULTS IN MATERIAL HARM TO NAFME OR ITS AFFILIATES. 4) RETALIATION PROHIBITED: DIRECT OR INDIRECT

RETALIATION OF ANY KIND BY NAFME OR ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, MEMBERS, OR AGENTS AGAINST ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO MAKES, INITIATES OR IS

INVOLVED IN THE MAKING OF A COMPLAINT IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED. THIS PROHIBITION ON RETALIATION SHALL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED BY THE BOARD.

COMPLAINTS MADE WITH KNOWLEDGE THAT THEY ARE FALSE ARE STRICTLY PROHIBITED.

THIS PROHIBITION ON THE MAKING OF KNOWINGLY FALSE COMPLAINTS SHALL BE

STRICTLY ENFORCED BY THE BOARD. 5) INITIAL DETERMINATION: UPON RECEIPT AND

PRELIMINARY REVIEW OF EACH COMPLAINT, THE PRESIDENT MAY CONCLUDE, IN THE

PRESIDENT'S SOLE DISCRETION, THAT THE COMPLAINT: (A) CONTAINS FACTUALLY UNRELIABLE OR INSUFFICIENT INFORMATION, OR (B) IS PATENTLY FRIVOLOUS OR

TRIVIAL. IN SUCH CASES, THE PRESIDENT MAY DETERMINE THAT THE COMPLAINT DOES

NOT CONSTITUTE A POTENTIALLY ACTIONABLE COMPLAINT THAT WOULD JUSTIFY

BRINGING IT BEFORE THE COMMITTEE FOR DETERMINATION OF WHETHER THERE HAS

BEEN A MATERIAL VIOLATION OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT. IF SO, SUCH COMPLAINT

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SHALL BE DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE BY THE PRESIDENT, AND THE PRESIDENT SHALL PROVIDE WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE PERSON WHO SUBMITTED THE COMPLAINT OF ITS DISPOSITION. ALL SUCH PRELIMINARY DISPOSITIONS OF COMPLAINTS BY THE PRESIDENT SHALL BE IMMEDIATELY REPORTED IN WRITING TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE. 6) NOTICE OF INVESTIGATION: IF A COMPLAINT IS DEEMED BY THE PRESIDENT ON A PRELIMINARY BASIS TO BE A POTENTIALLY ACTIONABLE COMPLAINT, THE PRESIDENT SHALL PROVIDE A WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE DIRECTOR WHOSE CONDUCT HAS BEEN CALLED INTO QUESTION, ADVISING THE DIRECTOR THAT AN INVESTIGATION IS BEING INITIATED. THE PRESIDENT SHALL ALSO PROVIDE WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE PERSON WHO SUBMITTED THE COMPLAINT THAT THE COMPLAINT IS BEING REVIEWED BY THE COMMITTEE. 7) REVIEW OF COMPLAINT: FOR EACH COMPLAINT THAT THE PRESIDENT BELIEVES IS POTENTIALLY ACTIONABLE, THE PRESIDENT SHALL AUTHORIZE AN INVESTIGATION INTO ITS SPECIFIC FACTS OR CIRCUMSTANCES TO WHATEVER EXTENT IS NECESSARY IN ORDER TO CLARIFY, EXPAND OR CORROBORATE THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THE COMPLAINT AND IN ORDER TO ASSIST THE COMMITTEE IN DETERMINING WHETHER CHARGES SHOULD BE BROUGHT AGAINST THE DIRECTOR. THE COMMITTEE MAY BE ASSISTED BY NAFME STAFF, LEGAL COUNSEL AND OUTSIDE EXPERTS, AS NEEDED, SO LONG AS ALL PERSONS INVOLVED IN THE INVESTIGATION AGREE TO MAINTAIN THE COMPLETE CONFIDENTIALITY OF THE INVESTIGATION. THE COMMITTEE OR ITS AGENTS MAY CONTACT THE PERSON WHO SUBMITTED THE COMPLAINT, THE DIRECTOR WHO IS THE SUBJECT OF THE CHARGE, OR ANY OTHER PERSONS WHO MAY HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF THE FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE COMPLAINT. 8) COMMITTEE DETERMINATION: THE COMMITTEE SHALL EITHER DISMISS THE COMPLAINT WITH PREJUDICE OR PREPARE WRITTEN CHARGES AGAINST THE DIRECTOR. WRITTEN CHARGES SHALL EXPLAIN THE ALLEGED CONDUCT AND EXPLAIN WHY THE CONDUCT CONSTITUTES GROUNDS FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION. THE COMMITTEE SHALL ALSO PRODUCE A WRITTEN REPORT WITH THE RESULTS OF ITS INVESTIGATION. THE PERSON WHO MADE THE COMPLAINT SHALL BE NOTIFIED OF THE COMMITTEE'S DETERMINATION

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BUT SHALL NOT BE PROVIDED WITH A COPY OF ANY WRITTEN CHARGES OR THE REPORT.

THE DIRECTOR IN QUESTION SHALL BE NOTIFIED OF THE COMMITTEE'S

DETERMINATION. COPIES OF WRITTEN CHARGES AND THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT SHALL

BE PROVIDED TO THE PRESIDENT, THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS, AND THE DIRECTOR

AGAINST WHOM THE CHARGES WERE FILED. 9) HEARING: IF THE COMMITTEE

RECOMMENDS CHARGES BE BROUGHT, IT SHALL HOLD A HEARING, IN PERSON, BY

TELEPHONE OR VIDEO CONFERENCE. THE PRESIDENT SHALL PRESENT THE COMMITTEE'S

REPORT WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF NAFME'S LEGAL COUNSEL. THE CHARGED DIRECTOR

MAY PRESENT A DEFENSE AND MAY BE REPRESENTED BY LEGAL COUNSEL, AT HIS OR

HER OWN EXPENSE. THE PRESIDENT SHALL DETERMINE THE RULES OF EVIDENCE THAT

SHALL APPLY TO THE HEARING AND MAY LIMIT THE PRESENTATION OF ORAL OR

WRITTEN TESTIMONY BY WITNESSES. THE CHARGED DIRECTOR MAY WAIVE THE RIGHT TO

A HEARING IN WHICH CASE THE COMMITTEE MAY DELIBERATE BASED ON ITS REPORT.

10) DETERMINATION OF VIOLATION: UPON COMPLETION OF ITS INVESTIGATION AND

THE HEARING, THE COMMITTEE SHALL DETERMINE BY MAJORITY VOTE, UPON A

PREPONDERANCE OF THE EVIDENCE, WHETHER OR NOT THERE HAS BEEN A VIOLATION OF

THE CODE OF CONDUCT AND WHETHER THE BOARD SHOULD IMPOSE SANCTIONS. IF THE

COMMITTEE FINDS THERE HAS BEEN A VIOLATION, THE COMMITTEE SHALL RECOMMEND

AN APPROPRIATE SANCTION. THE COMMITTEE'S WRITTEN RECOMMENDATION SHALL BE

PRESENTED TO THE BOARD. 11) IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS: THE BOARD SHALL

DETERMINE, BY MAJORITY VOTE, THE APPROPRIATE SANCTION TO BE IMPOSED ON ANY

DIRECTOR FOUND TO HAVE VIOLATED THE NAFME CODE OF CONDUCT. SANCTIONS MAY

INCLUDE A WRITTEN REPRIMAND, CENSURE, SUSPENSION FROM BOARD MEMBERSHIP FOR

A PERIOD OF TIME, OR PERMANENT EXPULSION FROM THE BOARD (IF THE BYLAWS GIVE

THE BOARD THE AUTHORITY TO REMOVE A DIRECTOR). 12) RESIGNATION: IF A BOARD

MEMBER WHO IS THE SUBJECT OF A COMPLAINT VOLUNTARILY RESIGNS IN WRITING HIS

OR HER POSITION ON THE BOARD DURING THE PENDING OF A COMPLAINT, THE

COMPLAINT SHALL BE DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE AND WITHOUT ANY FURTHER

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ACTION BY THE COMMITTEE OR THE BOARD. IN THE EVENT OF A RESIGNATION, THE PERSON WHO MADE THE COMPLAINT SHALL BE NOTIFIED IN WRITING OF THE FACT AND DATE OF THE RESIGNATION AND THAT THE BOARD HAS DISMISSED THE COMPLAINT WITHOUT PREJUDICE.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15:

PROCESS FOR DETERMINING COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS: THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD REVIEWS AND APPROVES COMPENSATION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. SALARY INCREASE IS LINKED TO AN APPRAISAL CONDUCTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WITH INPUT FROM AND CONSULTATION WITH THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19:

GOVERNING DOCUMENTS AND THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY ARE MADE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST. ANNUAL AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND TAX RETURNS ARE ON NAFME'S WEBSITE.

**SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35b, 36, or 37.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

▶ Information about Schedule R (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33.

(a) Name, address, and EIN (if applicable) of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity
SOLUTIONS MUSIC GROUP LLC - 46-5187533 1806 ROBERT FULTON DRIVE RESTON, VA 20191	CONSULTING SERVICES	VIRGINIA	118,150.	0.	NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR MUSIC EDUCATION

Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
GIVE A NOTE FOUNDATION - 35-2379473 1806 ROBERT FULTON DRIVE RESTON, VA 20190	MUSIC ED	VIRGINIA	501(C)(3)	LINE 9	N/A		X

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Part III Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No		Yes	No	

Part IV Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
								Yes	No

Part V Transactions With Related Organizations Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35b, or 36.

Note. Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule.

1 During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

	Yes	No
a Receipt of (i) interest, (ii) annuities, (iii) royalties, or (iv) rent from a controlled entity		X
b Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)		X
c Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)		X
d Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)		X
e Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)		X
f Dividends from related organization(s)		X
g Sale of assets to related organization(s)		X
h Purchase of assets from related organization(s)		X
i Exchange of assets with related organization(s)		X
j Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)		X
k Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)		X
l Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)		X
m Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)	X	
n Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)	X	
o Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)	X	
p Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses	X	
q Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses	X	
r Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)	X	
s Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)	X	

2 If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds.

	(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
(5)				
(6)				

