

Rules

1. Name and Objectives

Please refer to the CIO Constitution, section 3.

2. Management Committee

The affairs of the Charity shall be managed by a Committee (herein after called the Committee) consisting of a Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, two (2) Assistant Secretaries, Treasurer, two (2) Assistant Treasurers, Press and Publicity Officer and three (3) elected members, who shall retire annually.

The Chairman, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer shall be eligible to serve in their respective offices for a term not exceeding ten (10) years, and all other officers shall be eligible to serve in their respective offices for a term not exceeding five (5) years.

“Production Officials” shall be appointed by the Committee for each production and may be invited to such Committee Meetings as the Committee determine.

Please refer to the CIO Constitution, section 11(5)b for rules governing a quorum.

3. Annual General Meeting

Please refer to the CIO Constitution, sections 10 and 11

4. Chairman’s Casting Vote

Please refer to the CIO Constitution, section 19(2-3)

5. Membership

Please refer to the CIO Constitution, section 9.

Any person(s) will be eligible to be elected as a member of the Charity if they display an interest in the theatre and the performing arts, and must satisfy the Committee of their suitability to be elected as a member of the Charity. The decision of the Committee relating to membership shall be final.

Grades of Members

a) **Adult Playing Member.** Applicants for playing membership must satisfy the Committee of their ability to perform in the productions of the Charity by presenting themselves for an audition. Applicants must have reached the age of 16 on the day of audition. Playing membership can only continue

beyond the age of 75 years provided there is adequate insurance cover for that member.

b) **Non Playing Member.** These shall be encouraged to help with a production in a non-playing capacity and/or undertake general administration tasks

c) **Life Members.** This membership grade was retired in 2009, and it was agreed that no further Life Memberships would be awarded. Existing life members are granted all member rights, but are not required to pay subscriptions. They may, and are invited to make charitable contributions.

6. Subscriptions

Please refer to the CIO Constitution, section 9.

7. Choice of Production

Please refer to the MTS Show Selection Policy.

8. Resignation from Membership

Please refer to the CIO Constitution, section 9(4)

9. Record of Attendance

Please refer to the MTS Membership Policy

10. Casting Committee

Please refer to the MTS Audition Policy

11. Loss of Working

Please refer to the CIO Constitution.

12. Property of the Charity

Please refer to the CIO Constitution

13. New Rules

Please refer to the CIO Constitution

14. Records and Accounts of the Charity

Please refer to the CIO Constitution

15. Introduction of Friends

Please refer to the MTS Membership Policy

16. Discipline of Members

Please refer to the CIO Constitution and the MTS Membership Policy.

17. Social Activities

Please refer to the MTS Social Subcommittee Policy

18. Youth Section

Please refer to relevant policy documents.

19. Child Protection and Criminal Records Bureau (CRB) Clearance

Please refer to the MTS Child Protection Policy.

20. Items not included in the Rules

Please refer to the CIO Constitution.



MUSICAL THEATRE STAFFORD

(formerly STAFFORD & DISTRICT OPERATIC CHARITY)

(Founded 1922)

MTS Management Policy

(formerly Rules of the Charity)

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