

B1 - Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws, Soloist and Judging Annual Dues

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1) EXISTING TEXT

Table 2. Individual Memberships

I would reproduce only the portions of Table 2 affected by the proposal:

	Soloist	Adjudicator
Annual Dues	\$25	\$25
Family Membership	\$10 each additional immediate family member living at the same location	\$10 each additional immediate family member living at the same location
Late Fee Per Member	\$10	\$10

These are the current amounts in Table 2.

2) PROPOSED TEXT

The affected portions of Table 2 would be changed as follows:

	Soloist	Adjudicator
Annual Dues	\$40	\$40
Family Membership	\$15 each additional immediate family member living at the same location	\$15 each additional immediate family member living at the same location
Late Fee Per Member	\$20	\$20

The submitter's exact proposed wording is:

Soloist annual dues: From \$25 per year to **\$40 per year; \$15 each additional immediate family member living in the same location**; late fee per member to **\$20**;

Adjudicator annual dues: From \$25 per year to **\$40 per year; \$15 each additional immediate family member living in the same location**; late fee per member to **\$20**.

3) RATIONALE

This request is made to ensure adequate funding for the new piping and drumming invitational and open competitions and for educational programs. Dues have not been raised for many years while inflation and costs have risen dramatically. Individual donors have stepped up to cover the gaps in funding for these critical initiatives but the gaps are large and we want to make sure that they are on a solid financial footing if the donations do not/cannot continue.

I think this is substantially clearer than the paragraph-only version, especially CR3. For the final set, I would use this table treatment for William's proposals and keep the other proposals in the simpler paragraph format unless a table naturally fits the material.