American Choral Directors Association

The Repertoire & Resources Committee

Procedural Guide
2019 Revised Edition

For Repertoire & Resources Coordinators & Chairs
Division and State Presidents President-Elects
"The Choral Repertoire and Resources Committee shall seek to improve the quality of choral performance and literature in the United States"

~Article XII, Section 4
ACDA Bylaws

R&R COMMITTEE PURPOSE AND FUNCTION

The Repertoire and Resources (R&R) areas provide support, vision, and resources for every major area of choral work. Committees play an important role in serving their respective choral genres. R&R committees provide:

- Repertoire and literature recommendations
- Documents and resources
- Leadership and information
- Networking among colleagues
- Maintenance of excellent standards among colleagues
- Professional development opportunities
- Promotion of choral music performance and participation

Repertoire and Resources Committee Coordinators and Chairs --- appointed at the national, division, and state levels --- serve conductors, teachers, composers, and constituencies who share similar interests. Chairs possess demonstrated expertise in a specific choral area and serve as leaders in the three primary efforts:

- Collaboration
- Communication
- Commitment

The Repertoire and Resources Committees have a vital role in ACDA. R&R Committee coordinators and chairs as well as their members provide resources that promote excellence in all aspects of the performance of choral music.

~ACDA R&R Website National Repertoire & Resources Committee
FORWARD

The information constructed within this document was designed to enhance communication, education, and procedural issues between all Repertoire & Resources coordinators & chairs and division and state presidents/president-elects.

Documents include the following:

• National R&R leadership contact information
• Appointment Statement/Pre-appointment procedures
• Appointment procedures
• Appointment contracts
• Guidelines for the successful execution of an R&R position
  – National, Regional and State Coordinator/Chair Guidelines
• Report form
• Rationale/Explanation of Restructure

We remain committed to the cultivation of all R&R relationships at the national, division, and state levels. It is our mission to form partnerships between R&R committees and the ACDA national, regional, and state boards through education, cooperation, communication, and dedication in our unending quest for choral excellence in the American Choral Directors Association.

Amy Johnston Blosser
National Repertoire and Resources Committee Chair
Revised 2019

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APPOINTMENT STATEMENT
(Pre-Appointment Procedures)

Region/State Presidents and President-Elects:

- Region & state R&R coordinators/chairs must be informed that their term of office is two years with a president, with possible re-appointment by the incoming president.
- The R&R coordinator/chair remains in office until he/she is notified that their term will expire June 30 of the fiscal year.
- It is common courtesy to inform coordinators & chairs, in advance and in writing, that they will be replaced.
- Term limit for a region coordinator/chair is 6 years
- Term limit for a state coordinator/chair is 4 years
- When sending lists of coordinators/chairs to the National R&R Chair, note the date of their appointment.

Suggested Protocol

**Eastern, North Central, Northwestern, Southwestern Regions:**

Region and state president-elects determine those R&R coordinators/chairs that are to be re-appointed and those that are to be terminated by **February 1**.

Region and state presidents send a letter to respective region and state R&R coordinators/chairs by **March 1** thanking them for their service to ACDA and that re-appointment to the position is not automatic and is at the discretion of the incoming president.

Subsequently the incoming president re-appoints or appoints their coordinators/chairs during April with appointments finalized and names and contact information sent to National R&R chair by **May 1**.

**Central, Southern, and Western Regions:**

Outgoing region presidents send a letter to respective region and state R&R coordinators/chairs by **December 1** thanking them for their service to ACDA and that re-appointment to the position is not automatic and is at the discretion of the incoming president.

Region and state president-elects determine those R&R coordinators/chairs that are to be re-appointed and those that are to be terminated by **January 1**.

Subsequently the incoming president re-appoints or appoints their coordinators/chairs during January and February with appointments finalized and names and contact information sent to National R&R chair by **March 1**.
NATIONAL LEVEL R&R APPOINTMENT PROCEDURES

• National level R&R vacancies will be announced in the Choral Journal for two consecutive months and will appear on the ACDA website

• Applicant resumes will be submitted to the National Chair of the Repertoire & Resources committee

• Applications, resumes, and recommendations will be sent to the National Executive Committee by the National R&R chair

• Formal appointment notification will be made by the National R&R Chair

• The term of office will be two years renewable

• The appointment contract will be sent by and returned to the National R&R chair

New appointees begin July 1

TERM LIMIT: 6 Years
REGIONAL LEVEL R&R APPOINTMENT PROCEDURES

The region R&R coordinators & chairs have shared responsibilities to the national R&R committee, and to the region; therefore, the region president/president-elect confers with national R&R coordinators & chairs when filling vacancies of region R&R chairs.

January to April

- Region president-elect consults with the national R&R committee coordinator & chair regarding vacancies and prospective appointees for their term of office.
- Please make sure that position guidelines (provided by the National R&R committee chair), are reviewed by prospective appointees, as well as special division projects or responsibilities.
- President-elect recruits prospective appointee.

May 1

- Provide the National R&R committee chair with appointee’s contact information.
- Either receive and forward a copy of the contract to the national R&R committee coordinator/ chair, or delegate this task to the national R&R coordinator/chair.

The National R&R committee coordinator & chair will contact the appointee to welcome them to the appropriate National R&R committee and review the guidelines.

The region president-elect provides the National R&R coordinator & chair with a roster of all division R&R coordinators/chairs including contact information and year of appointee’s first term.

New appointees begin July 1

TERM LIMIT: 6 Years
STATE LEVEL R&R APPOINTMENT PROCEDURES

The state R&R coordinators & chairs have shared responsibilities to the region R&R committee, and to the state; therefore, the state president-elect confers with region R&R coordinators & chairs when filling vacancies of state R&R chairs.

January to April

• State president-elect consults with the region R&R coordinator/chair regarding vacancies and prospective appointees for their term of office.
• Please make sure that position guidelines (provided by the region R&R chair), are reviewed by prospective appointees, as well as special state projects or responsibilities.
• President-elect recruits prospective appointee.

May 1

• Provide the region R&R coordinator/chair with appointee’s contact information.
• Either receive and forward a copy to the national R&R coordinator/chair, or delegate this task to the region coordinator/chair.

The region R&R committee coordinator/chair will contact the appointee to welcome them to the R&R committee and review the guidelines

The state president-elect provides the region R&R coordinator/chair with a roster of all state R&R coordinators/chairs including contact information and year of appointee’s first term. The region coordinator/chair then forwards all information to the national R&R coordinator/chair.

New appointees begin July 1

TERM LIMIT: 4 Years
REPERTOIRE & RESOURCES NATIONAL COMMITTEE COORDINATOR/CHAIR
APPOINTMENT CONTRACT

This appointment is made for the Coordinator/Chair of the ACDA National Choral R&R Committee for:

____________________________________________________ Date________________________

National committee name
Month/day/year

Name of appointee______________________________________________________________

Length of term (2 years):
Contractual agreement from July 1, 20____ to June 30, 20____  (term limit: 6 years)

*I will devote the time necessary to achieve a positive outcome of the following responsibilities:
  Attendance at state, region, and national conferences and meetings, as required
  Attendance at meetings scheduled for the work of the national R&R committee as required
  Provide strong national leadership and support the region and state R&R coordinators/chairs
  Complete the national committee annual report and send to national R&R chair by June 1
  Submit 2 Choral Journal articles: due on or before March 1 and October 1, annually
  Regularly submit resources for R&R web pages
  Honor all deadline dates (unless communicated otherwise to National Chair)

Signed__________________________________________________ Date________________________
Appointee
Month/date/year

Please print or type the following:

Name__________________________________________ Institution name________________________________

Home address____________________________________ Work address____________________________________

City/state/zip____________________________________ City/state/zip____________________________________

Work phone______________________________________ Cell phone_______________________________________

E-mail address_____________________________________ Work e-mail____________________________________

Signed___________________________________________ Date________________________
National R&R Coordinator/Chair
Month/date/year

*The Executive Committee and the National R&R Chair reserve the right to terminate a 2-year R&R term should the coordinator/chair not fulfill the obligations stated above.
REPERTOIRE & RESOURCES REGION COMMITTEE COORDINATOR/CHAIR
APPOINTMENT CONTRACT

This appointment is made for the Coordinator/Chair of the ACDA Region Choral R&R Committee for:

_________________________________________ Date_________________________ Division
Region committee name                                      Month/day/year

Name of appointee_________________________________________________________________

Length of term (2 years):
Contractual agreement from July 1, 20____ to June 30, 20____   (term limit: 6 years)

*I will devote the time necessary to achieve a positive outcome of the following responsibilities:
Attended at state, region, and national conferences and meetings as required
Attendance at R&R committee meetings and serve on region conference planning committee
Provide leadership, communicate, and support state chairs in region and national R&R coordinator/chair
Regularly submit resources to region-level R&R web pages
Complete annual region report and send to the national R&R coordinator/chair and division president by  **May 1**

Signed_________________________________________ Date_________________________
Appointee  Month/date/year

Please print or type the following:

Name___________________________________ Institution name_____________________________

Home address____________________________ Work address____________________________

City/state/zip__________________________ City/state/zip___________________________

Work phone_____________________________ Cell phone______________________________

E-mail address___________________________ Work e-mail_____________________________

Signed_________________________________________ Date________________________
Region president elect  Month/date/year

* The region president, president-elect, and national R&R coordinator/chair reserve the right to terminate a 2-year R&R term should the chair not fulfill the obligations stated above.

Please return by **JULY 1** to region president-elect and a copy to your current R&R national coordinator/chair
REPERTOIRE & RESOURCES STATE COMMITTEE COORDINATOR/CHAIR
APPOINTMENT CONTRACT

This appointment is made for the Coordinator/Chair of the ACDA State Choral R&R Committee for:

State committee name ____________________________ Date________________________ State Month/day/year

Name of appointee______________________________________________________________________________

Length of term (2 years):
Contractual agreement from July 1, 20____ to June 30, 20____ (term limit: 4 years)

*I will devote the time necessary to achieve a positive outcome of the following responsibilities:
Attendance at state and region conferences and meetings as required
Attendance at R&R committee meetings and serve on state conference planning committee
Provide leadership, communicate, and support state activities and the region R&R coordinator/chair
Complete state annual report and send to region R&R committee coordinator/chair and state president by April 1

Signed_________________________________________________ Date________________________________
Appointee Month/date/year

Please print or type the following:

Name_________________________________________ Institution name_____________________________

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Signed_________________________________________________ Date________________________

State president elect Month/date/year

*The state president, president-elect, and region R&R coordinator/chair reserve the right to terminate a 2-year R&R term should the chair not fulfill the obligations stated above.

Please return by JULY 1 to state president-elect and a copy to current region R&R committee coordinator/chair.
R&R Coordinator Duties

National R&R Coordinator Duties:

- Take a leadership role in communicating with Region and State Coordinators, and ACDA constituents.

- Communicate regularly with your National R&R Chairs as well as the National R&R Chair.

- Attend National R&R Committee meetings preceding each National Conference.

- Attend National Leadership Conferences on even years.

- Attend National Conferences on odd years. (Limited compensation is available for National R&R Committee members who attend National Conferences.)

- National Conference-related responsibilities:
  - Attend R&R Coordinator meeting with National Chair, following R&R Committee meeting
  - Encourage outstanding conductors in your area to submit interest session proposals.
  - Encourage outstanding choirs in your area to submit recordings to be considered for performance.
  - Submit preferences for Interest session proposals to the conference committee.
  - Along with the respective National chair, offer advice and support to the genre-specific National Honor Choir (if applicable). This includes suggestions on conductors and managers.

- Serve on audition panels for the selection of choirs to perform on the National Conference.

- Update the ACDA R&R web pages with regularity with resources for members. This includes leadership information and contact info as well as pertinent information for your constituents.

- Be a contributing member to projects that are proposed by the National R&R Committee and/or National R&R Chair.

- Solicit or write and submit a minimum of three articles to be published in the Choral Journal: Due September 1, January 1 and May 1, annually.

- Collect reports from National chairs. Submit annual report to National R&R Chair on or before June 1.

- Collect yearly region reports due to you on or before May 1.
**Region R&R Coordinator Duties:**

- Take a leadership role in communicating with State Coordinators.
- Communicate regularly with the Region chairs, National Coordinator and National Chair.
- Promote and organize Region Honor Choirs, interest sessions, reading sessions, and roundtables at Region Conferences.
- Encourage projects listed above at the state level, and assist with the organization process in order to train constituents.
- Attend National and Region Conferences and subsequent Region and National Committee meetings called by the Region President and the National R&R Chair.
- Submit articles --- minimum of two annually --- and news briefs to the division newsletters
- Serve on audition panels for National, Regional, and State Honor Choirs and choral honor performances submitted by constituents.
- Encourage outstanding choirs in your area of expertise to submit performance recordings.
- Take an active part in National Conference activities including roundtables, reading sessions, interest sessions, and volunteering with the National Honor Choirs (if applicable).
- Submit updated information to your region website regularly.
- Contact State Presidents/President-Elects for new and renewed appointments.
- Oversee projects that you and your region constituents deem necessary to assist in enhancing choral education in your area of R&R expertise.
- Collect yearly State reports, due on or before April 1.
- Submit region report and all state reports to the National Coordinator on or before May 1.
**State R&R Coordinator Duties:**

- Take a leadership role in communicating with constituents.
- Communicate regularly with the Region Coordinator and State chairs.
- Promote and organize State Honor Choirs, interest sessions, reading sessions, and roundtables at State Conferences.
- Attend State and Region Conferences and State and Region Committee meetings that are called by the State President and Region Chair.
- Submit articles annually and news briefs to the state newsletter.
- Serve on state level audition panels for State and Region Honor Choirs and choral honor performance recordings submitted by constituents.
- Take an active part in Region Conference activities including roundtables, reading sessions, interest sessions, and assist the Region Chair with the organizing and executing of Region Honor Choirs (if applicable).
- Submit updated information to your state website regularly.
- Oversee projects that you and your state constituents deem necessary to assist in enhancing choral education in your area of R&R expertise.
- Submit a yearly report on all R&R activities within the state, to the Region Coordinator on or before April 1.
**R&R Chair Duties**

**National R&R Chair Duties:**

- Take a leadership role in communicating with Region and State Chairs, and ACDA constituents.
- Communicate regularly with your National R&R Coordinator as well as the National R&R Chair.
- Attend National R&R Committee meetings preceding each National Conference.
- Attend National Leadership Conferences on even years.
- Attend National Conferences on odd years. (Limited compensation is available for National R&R Committee members who attend National Conferences.)
- National Conference-related responsibilities:
  - Preside at genre-specific R&R Committee meeting (following National R&R Committee meeting)
  - Along with Region chairs, select the music that is to be presented, organize and preside at genre-specific the Reading sessions.
  - Encourage outstanding conductors in your area of expertise to submit interest session proposals.
  - Encourage outstanding choirs in your area of expertise to submit recordings to be considered for performance.
  - Submit preferences for Interest session proposals to the conference committee.
  - Organize and preside at genre-specific Roundtables
  - Along with Region chairs, offer advice and support to the genre-specific National Honor Choir (if applicable). This includes encouraging constituents to submit student applications and being present for portions of the rehearsals.
- Serve on regional and national audition panels for the selection of choirs to perform on the National Conference.
- Attend Region and State Conferences, and encourage and support your Region and State Chairs in all their endeavors.
- Oversee projects that you and your Region and State Chairs deem necessary to enhance choral education in your area.
- Contact Region Presidents/President-Elects for new and renewed Chair appointments.
- After June 1, (upon consulting with the National R&R chair) region chairs may be appointed by the genre-specific national chair. However, this approach is not recommended in order to maintain a good rapport with the region president.
- Send all appointment contracts to Region Chairs and encourage them to do the same with the State Chair appointments. Appointees may return them to you or to the National R&R Chair for distribution to the National R&R Committee Chairs.
• Submit annual report to National R&R Coordinator on or before June 1.

• Collect yearly region reports due to you on or before May 1.

• Be a contributing member to projects that are proposed by the National R&R Committee and/or National R&R Chair.

**Region R&R Chair Duties:**

• Take a leadership role in communicating with State Chairs.

• Communicate regularly with the National Chair and Coordinator.

• Promote and help organize Region Honor Choirs, interest sessions, reading sessions, and roundtables at Region Conferences.

• Encourage projects listed above at the state level, and assist with the organization process in order to train constituents.

• Attend National and Region Conferences and subsequent Region and National Committee meetings called by the Region President and the National R&R Chair.

• Submit articles and news briefs to the Region Coordinator regularly.

• Serve on audition panels for National, Region, and State Honor Choirs and choral honor performances submitted by constituents.

• Encourage outstanding choirs in your area of expertise to submit performance recordings.

• Take an active part in National Conference activities including roundtables, reading sessions, interest sessions, and volunteering with the National Honor Choirs (if applicable).

• Submit web page information to your Region Coordinator.

• Oversee projects that you and your region constituents deem necessary to assist in enhancing choral education in your area of R&R expertise.

• Collect yearly State Chair reports, due on or before April 1.

• Submit division report and all state reports to the Region and National Coordinator on or before May 1.
State R&R Chair Duties:

- Take a leadership role in communicating with constituents.
- Communicate regularly with the Region Coordinator and Chair.
- Promote and organize State Honor Choirs, interest sessions, reading sessions, and roundtables at State Conventions.
- Attend State and Region Conferences and State and Region Committee meetings that are called by the State President and Region Chair.
- Submit articles and news briefs to the State Coordinator regularly.
- Serve on state level audition panels for State and Region Honor Choirs and choral honor performance recordings submitted by constituents.
- Take an active part in Region Conference activities including roundtables, reading sessions, interest sessions, and assist the Region Chair with the organizing and executing of Region Honor Choirs (if applicable).
- Submit web page information to your State Coordinator.
- Oversee projects that you and your state constituents deem necessary to assist in enhancing choral education in your area of R&R expertise.
- Submit a yearly report on all R&R activities within the state, to the Region Coordinator and Region Chair on or before April 1.
### National R&R Committee

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The Repertoire and Resources Restructure Guide

Repertoire and Resources: The heart of ACDA

Think back to your first experience with the American Choral Directors Association. Was it participating in an honor choir at a conference? Was it knowing a colleague who encouraged you to join? Was it perhaps your college professor who suggested you learn more about this organization? However you came to ACDA, you have found a resource which you most likely use on a regular basis. Whether it is networking, learning from a mentor, exposure to high quality repertoire or reading the Choral Journal online every month, ACDA is essential to many Choral professionals.

The examples listed above most likely have been connected with some member of the Repertoire and Resources (formerly Repertoire and Standards) committee as it is imbedded in the framework of the organization. Honor Choirs, the promotion of high quality literature, networking and a chance to be a servant leader are all ways R & R is integral to the ACDA. Most members first learned about ACDA through an event which had an R & R leader’s fingerprints on it in some way. Almost all of the current National Board members previously served as an R&R chair at some level. The Repertoire and Resources Committee provides invaluable resources to members across the country. It is the heart of the American Choral Directors Association.

The R & R committees have a vital role in the ACDA. R & R coordinators & chairs and their members provide resources that promote excellence in all aspects of the performance of choral music.

At the 2012 Leadership Conference in Dallas, the discussion focused on the results of the Strategic Planning membership survey and how to move our organization forward. It included work on the ACDA mission statement and what it would mean to have all aspects align with our mission. Another part of the discussion included looking at all of the Standing Committees, as well as R & R, to see what improvements might be needed to keep ACDA relevant and moving into the future.

The discussion continued at the 2014 Leadership Conference in Salt Lake City, and the R & R committee had the opportunity to vision what an updated committee structure could look like. Many of the proposed changes below came from this brainstorming session. **The following changes have been approved by the Executive Committee and National Board and were voted into the constitution in January 2016:**

- **Change committee name from Repertoire and Standards to Repertoire and Resources.** Members currently serving in leadership positions feel “Repertoire and Standards” doesn’t state one of the most important responsibilities of the committee – serving as a resource for high quality materials, literature, performance standards and professional development offerings.

- **Change the names of the following R & R Areas:**
  - Youth and Student Activities to Student Activities
  - Ethnic and Multicultural to Ethnic Music
  - Show Choir to Contemporary Commercial
  - Male to Men

Current R & R leaders believe these names more closely reflect what is current in their respective areas.”
- Three Coordinators are named at the National level, one each to oversee Youth Choirs, Collegiate Choirs, and Lifelong Choirs.

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- Each region and state shall name divisional R & R coordinators for not fewer than the four categories of Youth, Collegiate, Lifelong, and Repertoire Specific. It is further understood that regions and states are encouraged to add specific R & R chairs of categories at their discretion. Suggested positions include (but not limited to):

Boychoir  
Children’s and Community Youth Choir  
College and University  
Community  
Contemporary and Commercial  
Ethnic Music  
Junior High/Middle School  
Men’s/TTBB Choirs  
Music in Worship  
Senior High Choirs  
Student Activities  
Two-Year College  
Vocal Jazz  
Women’s/SSAA Choirs  

At the region and state levels this gives more ownership by providing opportunities for certain areas which are flourishing. For example, if a state or region has a strong need for a barbershop R & R chair or another genre particularly important to the state or region, an additional R & R subcategory can be added.
• The R & R National Committee Chair will have oversight of the category of “Repertoire Specific”. The R & R National Committee Chair will continue to have oversight over the entire R & R committee including the three other coordinators.

• Coalesce Boychoir with Children and Community Youth and 2-year College with College and University.

(During the transition period, currently appointed R & R Chairs at each level will serve out his/her term.)

The current Repertoire and Resources Committee demonstrates the mission of the ACDA organization in the following ways: Performance, Education, Composition and Advocacy. This has not changed. With the creation of new coordinators, it gives an opportunity for local control and involvement and more autonomy at the local level. The restructure helps make ACDA more prominent on the local level, makes an effort to include those that are not currently involved and provides increased leadership opportunities. It also gives some flexibility at the Region and State levels plus provides more support and presence at the National level. The new coordinator positions will provide more support for special projects and helps to create more focused groups within the leadership structure.

The idea of restructuring the Standing Committees, as well as R&R, has been discussed by members and leaders for years. The American Choral Directors Association began in 1959 and the Repertoire and Standards committee was started in the 1980’s. The organization has evolved in 30+ years, and we wanted to keep current in order to be relevant.
# Repertoire and Resources Committee

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