# Music Teachers National Association Membership Recruitment and Retention Plan FY 2017 (July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017)

# Membership Marketing Objectives for 2016-17

# 1. Instill in music teachers the importance of continuing education and community. (Awareness)

ACTION STEP
aContinue to conduct Google Ad Words and Facebook campaigns to target
nonmembers. Explore LinkedIn, Instagram, etc. for additional targeting.
bUtilize key leadership and members to engage nonmembers either in person or
digitally.
cExplore options for building community through FB groups, internal IMIS system
for State Presidents.
dUtilize collegiate members to promote the value of forming a collegiate chapter.
eUtilize college faculty to communicate value of MTNA membership to their
students, with additional targeting to those without collegiate chapters.
fWork to connect local associations and collegiate chapters.

2. Position MTNA as the proven, relevant solution to their problems and needs utilizing a variety of information sources: personal, commercial, public, and experiential (Interest)

#### **ACTION STEP**

a--Explore creative ways MTNA can address members' needs. (Top 10 lists?) Refine previous year's needs list.

b--Implement the Find a Teacher search function and place in a prominent spot on the website homepage.

**3.** Provide concrete, reliable information and evidence that MTNA is the best solution compared to the alternatives (Evaluation)

## **ACTION STEP**

a--Continue to gather and share testimonials from members with a special focus on non-pianists, YPs, long-term members (50-year) and those who don't hold music degrees.

b--Explore ways for members to share their stories.

# 4. Provide helpful opportunities and experiences for non-members to discover what it is like to be an MTNA member (Trial)

#### **ACTION STEP**

a--Encourage state and local associations to invite nonmembers to participate in events and meetings.

b--Provide "teaser" articles, webinars and other content for free to nonmembers on the MTNA website.

c--Develop free newsletter for members and non-members.

# 5. Maintain an easy, user-friendly, and constantly available means to join MTNA (Adoption)

# **ACTION STEP**

a--Continue to maintain and improve online join/renewal processes; investigate automatic renewal.

b--Clearly convey information to prospective and current members on new website.

6. Optimize the member experience to ensure satisfaction, fulfillment, and a long-term relationship with MTNA (Loyalty)

## ACTION STEP

a--Develop a robust collection of online resources that are regularly updated, including monthly webinars and resources that address the major needs of members in a searchable format.

b--Provide quality face-to-face experiences at the local, state and national levels.

c--Develop mentoring program for new members including regular communication on relevant programs.

7. Engage the entire association—individual members, volunteer leadership, and professional staff--in the recruitment and retention process.

# **ACTION STEP**

a--Crowdsource content development to engage "experts" in the field (Members Only content and monthly e-newsletters).

b--Engage staff, local, state and national leaders to provide a positive and rewarding experience for current members and to actively recruit and welcome new and prospective members.