

**MUSIC TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION OF NSW LIMITED**

**ABN 33 000 033 447**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

**MUSIC TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION OF NSW LIMITED**  
**ABN 33 000 033 447**

**DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED**  
**31 DECEMBER 2015**

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Your directors present their report on the entity for the year ended 31 December 2015.

**Directors**

The names of each person who has been a director during the year and to the date of this report are:

Dr Rita Crews OAM  
Susan Deas  
Dr Rachel Hocking  
Andrea Calilhanna  
Karen Green

Annette Brown  
Neta Maughan AM  
Christine Patton (resigned 23/02/15)  
Slobodan Zivkovic

Directors have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

**Company Secretary**

The following person held the position of entity secretary at the end of the financial year:

Miss Susan Deas -BA(UTS), BMus(UNSW), MMus, AMusA.

**Principal Activities**

The principal activities are those of promoting the study, practice, and knowledge of music in New South Wales and supporting and protecting the character, status and common interest of the musical profession in New South Wales.

**Operating Results**

During the year ended 31 December 2015, the entity made Operating Loss of \$ 633.  
(2014 – Loss \$5,342)

**Dividends**

The entity is limited by Guarantee and is prohibited by its Constitution from paying a dividend. No dividend has been recommended or paid.

**Significant Changes in State Of Affairs**

There were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the entity during the year.

**Future Developments**

The entity expects to maintain the present status of and level of operations and hence there are no likely developments in the entity's operations.

**After Balance Date Events**

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly effect the operations of the entity, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the entity in the future financial years.

**Environmental Issues**

The entity's operations are not regulated by any significant environmental regulation under a law of the Commonwealth or of state or territory.

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**Options**

No options over issued shares or interest in the entity were granted during or since the end of the financial year and there were no options outstanding at the date of this report.

**Information on Directors**

<b>Dr Rita Crews OAM</b>	President
Qualification	PhD(UNE), BA(Hons)(UNE), AMusTCL, GradCertDistEd(UNE), FMusicol(ASMC), HonFNMSM, DipMus(hc)(AICM).
Experience	Joined Council in 1987 and over the years served 3 terms in the capacity of Vice-President. Deputy chair of the AMEB(NSW). Examiner with AMEB (NSW) and Syllabus Advisor for written subjects and former Federal Examiner in written subjects.
Special Responsibilities	President, Editor of the Studio Journal and Chair of the MTA Accreditation Committee
<b>Mrs Karen Green</b>	Vice President
Qualification	BMus (Voice), G.CertMus(Voice), M.MusEd (Vocal Performance Studies)
Experience	Joined Council in 2011. Has many years' experience in Singing Teaching, Vocal performance, Eisteddfod Adjudication, Composition and Choir/Choral/Orchestral leadership. Also teaches Musicianship, Theory of Music and Piano.
Special Responsibilities	Vice President
<b>Mrs Annette Brown</b>	Treasurer
Qualification	
Experience	Joined Council in 2010 and for more than 10 years she has held various positions in music Organisations such as Australian Music Examinations Board (AMEB), The Australia Youth Orchestra (AYO) Sydney Youth Orchestras (SYO), Moorambilla Voices and Willoughby Symphony.
Special Responsibilities	Treasurer
<b>Miss Susan Deas</b>	Secretary
Qualification	BA (UTS), BMus (UNSW), MMus, AMusA
Experience	Joined Council in 2004 and served as Treasurer from 2006 to 2009. Has more than 20 years' experience as a professional pianist, lecturer and teacher. She regularly gives lectures for the University of Sydney's Centre for Continuing Education, and has also lectured for Musica Viva, Willoughby Symphony and the Sydney Philharmonic.
Special Responsibilities	Secretary

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<b>Mrs Andrea Calilhanna</b>	Director
Qualification	GradDipT(Mus)(QUT), DipMus(QCM), LMusA, AMusA, FCSME
Experience	Joined Council in 2006. Has 30 years of experience teaching piano, musicianship and saxophone and taught Secondary Classroom Music for 15 years; professional accompanist; and adjudicator. Has conducted choral groups and trained pre-service university students.
Special Responsibilities	Nil
<b>Miss Neta Maughan AM</b>	Director
Qualification	DSCM, FCSME, LMusA, AMusA
Experience	Joined Council in 1972, 35 years keyboard staff at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music, 45 years AMEB examiner and adjudicator. 30 times winner AMEB shield for piano excellence in teaching. President and Vice President on Council of Inner West Eisteddfod for 31 years. 55 years full MTA member and Council member 43 years.
Special Responsibilities	Nil
<b>Prof Slobodan Zivkovic</b>	Director
Qualification	MA, DipMus(Belgrade), BMus, MMus, BME .
	Joined Council in 2002. Has more than 40 years experience in teaching piano at all levels including tertiary. He was on the keyboard staff at AICM for many years and for more than 20 years has been a member of keyboard staff at Wollongong Conservatorium of Music. He has conducted choral groups which won numerous prizes at competitions and he was a Lecturer at two Piano Pedagogy Conferences (1997 and 2009) held in Sydney and was a member of the Advisory Committee for the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Piano Pedagogy Conference in Sydney in 1997. Wrote expert-work "Analyses and Performance of two Beethoven's Piano Sonatas" (op.27 no.1 and op.31 no.2).
<b>Dr Rachel Hocking</b>	Director
Qualification	PhD, BMus, ATCL, GradULT
Experience	Joined Council in 2012. Experienced piano teacher at all levels including tertiary and is a piano examiner for the AMEB. Has worked with choral groups, churches, university choirs, regional orchestras, school groups and community choirs. Is a researcher in music education.
Special Responsibilities	Nil

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31 DECEMBER 2015 (cont)

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**Meeting of Directors**

During the financial year, 6 meeting of directors were held. Attendance by each director were as follows;

	Directors meetings	
	Number eligible to attend	Number attended
Dr Rita Crews	6	6
Mrs Annette Brown	6	4
Mrs Andrea Calilhanna	6	6
Miss Neta Maughan AM	6	6
Miss Christine Patton	1	0
Mr Slobodan Zivkovic	6	6
Miss Susan Deas	6	6
Dr Rachel Hocking	6	3
Miss Karen Green	6	5

**Indemnifying Officers or Auditors**

No indemnities have been given or insurance premiums paid, during or since the end of the financial year, for any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of the entity.

**Proceedings on Behalf of the Entity**

No person has applied for the leave of the Court to bring proceedings on behalf of the entity or intervene in any proceedings to which the entity is a party for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the entity for all or any part of those proceedings.

The entity was not a party to any such proceedings during the year.

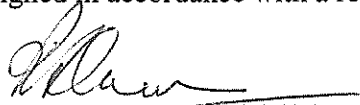
**Members' Guarantee**

The entity is incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 and is an entity limited by guarantee. If the entity is wound up, the constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$10 each towards meeting any outstanding obligations of the entity. At 31 December 2015 the collective liability of members was \$5,560 (2013: \$5,540)


**Auditor's Independence Declarations**

The auditor's independence declaration for the year ended 31 December 2015 has been received and can be found on page 15.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors.



Dr Rita Crews  
(President)



Annette Brown  
(Treasurer)

Dated this .....22<sup>nd</sup> day of ...February.. 2016

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DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

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The directors have determined that the entity is not a reporting entity. The directors have determined that this special purpose report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

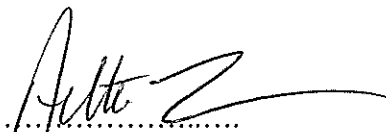
The directors of the company declare that:

1. The financial statements and notes, as set out on pages 6 to 14 are in accordance with The Corporations Act 2001:
  - (i) comply with Accounting Standards and the Corporations
  - (ii) give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 31 December 2015 and of the performance for the year ended on that date of the entity
  
2. In the directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the entity will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors.



Dr Rita Crews  
(President)



Annette Brown  
(Treasurer)

Dated this .....22<sup>nd</sup> day of ...February.. 2016

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**STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

	Note	2015 \$	2014 \$
Revenue from members		73,647	74,049
Other revenue		29,982	31,868
Employee benefits expenses		(43,225)	(47,445)
Rental expenses		(14,311)	(9,884)
Audit and accounting fees		(3,740)	(3,630)
Fundraising expenses		(7,042)	(9,781)
Depreciation and amortisation		(806)	(1,008)
Administrative expenses		(35,138)	(39,511)
		<u>(633)</u>	<u>(5,342)</u>
Income tax expense		-	-
<b>Surplus/ (loss) for the year</b>		<u>(633)</u>	<u>(5,342)</u>
<b>Other comprehensive income for the year:</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total comprehensive income (loss) for the year</b>		<u><u>(633)</u></u>	<u><u>(5,342)</u></u>

The accompany notes form part if these financial statements

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2015**

	Note	2015 \$	2014 \$
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	3	60,355	70,568
Trade and other receivables	4	8,019	4,479
Financial assets	5	172,857	173,735
Other assets	6	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b><u>241,731</u></b>	<b><u>249,282</u></b>
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	7	<u>3,225</u>	<u>4,031</u>
<b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>		<b><u>3,225</u></b>	<b><u>4,031</u></b>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b><u>244,956</u></b>	<b><u>253,313</u></b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Trade and other payables	8	<u>14,860</u>	<u>19,566</u>
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<b><u>14,860</u></b>	<b><u>19,566</u></b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b><u>14,860</u></b>	<b><u>19,566</u></b>
<b>Net Assets</b>		<b><u>230,096</u></b>	<b><u>233,747</u></b>
<b>Members' Fund</b>			
Reserves	9	218,817	223,755
Retained earnings		<u>11,279</u>	<u>9,992</u>
<b>Total Members Fund</b>		<b><u>230,096</u></b>	<b><u>233,747</u></b>

The accompany notes form part of these financial statements



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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

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	<b>Retained Earnings</b>	<b>Total</b>
Balance at 1 January 2014	19,604	19,604
Loss attributable to the entity – 2014 year	(5,342)	(5,342)
Prior period Adjustments	-	-
Transfer from special purpose funds	<u>(4,270)</u>	<u>(4,270)</u>
Balance at 31 December 2014	9,992	9,992
Loss attributable to the entity – 2015 year	(633)	(633)
Prior period Adjustments	-	-
Transfer from special purpose funds	<u>1,920</u>	<u>1,920</u>
Balance at 31 December 2015	<u><b>11,279</b></u>	<u><b>11,279</b></u>

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**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

	Note	2015 \$	2014 \$
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>			
Receipts from members and customers		116,027	120,486
Payments to suppliers and employees		(129,356)	(133,079)
Interest received		<u>3,116</u>	<u>7,456</u>
Net cash (used in)/generated from operating activities	11	<u>(10,213)</u>	<u>(5,136)</u>
<b>Cash Flows from Investing Activities</b>			
Payment for property, plant and equipment		-	-
Payment for investments in held to maturity assets		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net cash used in investment activities		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Cash Flows from Financing Activities</b>			
Net cash used in financing activities		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net increase/ (decrease) in cash held		(10,213)	(5,136)
Cash at the beginning of the financial year		<u>70,568</u>	<u>75,704</u>
Cash at the end of the financial year		<u>60,355</u>	<u>70,568</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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**Note 1: Statement of Significant Accounting Policies**

The directors have determined that the entity is a non-reporting entity because there are no users who are dependent on general purpose financial statements. These financial statements are therefore special purpose financial statements that have been prepared to meet the needs of the Directors and Members.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the mandatory Australian Accounting standards applicable to entities reporting under the Corporations Act 2001 and the significant accounting policies disclosed below, which directors have determined are appropriate to meet the needs of members. Such accounting policies are consistent with the previous period unless stated otherwise.

The financial report has been based on historical costs unless otherwise stated in the notes. The significant accounting policies have been adopted in the preparation of this report are as follows:

**a. Revenue**

Revenue from membership fees, subscriptions, donations, bequests and interest are recognised when received.

**b. Plant and Equipment**

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis and less depreciation and impairment losses.

**Depreciation**

Plant and equipment are depreciated over their estimated useful lives using the diminishing value method.

**c. Income Tax**

No provision for income tax has been made. The entity is exempt from taxation under Section 50-5 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

**d. Cash and Cash Equivalent**

Cash and cash equivalent include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, and other short term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

**e. Leases**

Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all the risk and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

**f. Goods and Services Tax (GST)**

The entity was deregistered from GST on 30 September 2010.

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**g. Financial Instruments**

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognized when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provision of the instrument. Financial instruments are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs.

*Held-to-maturity investments*

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets (note 5) that have fixed maturities and fixed or determinable payments, and it is the entity's intention to hold these investments to maturity. They are subsequently measured at amortised costs.

Held-to-maturity investments are included in non-current assets, except for those which are expected to mature within 12 months after the end of the reporting period, which will be classified as current assets.

**h. Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgements**

The directors evaluate estimates and judgements incorporated into the financial Statements based on historical knowledge and best available information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data, obtained both externally and within the entity.

**Note 2: Surplus/ (loss) before Income Tax**

	2015	2014
	\$	\$
<b>Expenses</b>		
Depreciation and amortisation	<u>806</u>	<u>1,008</u>
Remuneration of auditor		
- audit financial statements	2,750	2,640
- other services	<u>990</u>	<u>990</u>
	<u>3,740</u>	<u>3,630</u>

**Note 3: Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash at bank	60,355	70,468
Cash on hand	<u>-</u>	<u>100</u>
	<u>60,355</u>	<u>70,568</u>

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	2015	2014
	\$	\$
<b>Note 4: Trade and Other Receivables</b>		
Trade receivables	2,033	1,711
Interest Receivable	3,644	1,962
Prepaid Expenses	<u>2,342</u>	<u>806</u>
	<u>8,019</u>	<u>4,479</u>
<b>Note 5: Financial assets</b>		
CURRENT		
Held to maturity financial assets	<u>172,857</u>	<u>173,735</u>
Held to maturity assets are bank term deposit with maturity of less than 12 months.		
<b>Note 6: Other assets</b>		
Security deposit	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>
<b>Note 7: Plant and Equipment</b>		
Office furniture and equipment – at cost	45,650	45,650
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(42,425)</u>	<u>(41,619)</u>
	<u>3,225</u>	<u>4,031</u>
G. Hawkin Memorial Library – at cost	272	272
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(272)</u>	<u>(272)</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Plant and Equipment	<u>3,225</u>	<u>4,031</u>
<b>Note 8: Trade and Other Payables</b>		
Accrued expenses	289	343
Sundry payables	12,889	15,953
Superannuation payable	247	227
PAYG payable	<u>1,435</u>	<u>3,043</u>
	<u>14,860</u>	<u>19,566</u>
<b>Note 9: Reserves</b>		
Asset revaluation reserve	-	-
General reserve	-	-
Special purpose & bequest funds (Note 10)	<u>218,817</u>	<u>223,755</u>
	<u>218,817</u>	<u>223,755</u>

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<b>Note 10: Special Purpose Funds</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>M.T.A Scholarships</b>		
Balance brought forward	1,547	1,595
Add: Interest received	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	1,547	1,595
Less: Prizes and awards	1,500	-
Less: Management fees	<u>-</u>	<u>48</u>
	<u>47</u>	<u>1,547</u>
 <b>Margaret Chalmers Scholarship</b>		
Balance brought forward	11,065	11,143
Add: Interest received	<u>121</u>	<u>264</u>
	11,186	11,407
Less: Management fees	238	342
Less: Prizes and awards	<u>3,240</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>7,708</u>	<u>11,065</u>
 <b>Benevolent Fund</b>		
Balance brought forward	203,393	193,129
Add: Interest received	3,133	6,981
Add: Donations received	<u>12,459</u>	<u>14,493</u>
	218,985	214,603
Less: Management fees	6,383	6,205
Less: Donations & expenses	<u>4,940</u>	<u>5,005</u>
	<u>207,662</u>	<u>203,393</u>
 <b>Elizabeth Todd Scholarship</b>		
Balance brought forward	4,722	3,849
Add: Interest received	<u>123</u>	<u>135</u>
	4,845	3,984
Less: Bank Charges	-	-
Less: Management fees	94	146
Less: Monies held in General Account	-	(884)
Less: Prizes and awards	<u>4,240</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>511</u>	<u>4,722</u>
 <b>Gwenyth Pryor Professional Development</b>		
Balance brought forward	3,028	6,121
Add: Interest received	<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>
	3,028	6,122
Less: Bank Charges	50	-
Less: Management fees	89	94
Less: Prizes, awards & expenses	<u>-</u>	<u>3,000</u>
	<u>2,889</u>	<u>3,028</u>
 <b>Total special purpose &amp; bequest funds</b>	<b><u>218,817</u></b>	<b><u>223,755</u></b>

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	2015	2014
	\$	\$
<b>Note 11: Cash Flow Information</b>		
<b>Reconciliation of cash flow from operations</b>		
<b>With surplus/(loss) after income tax</b>		
Surplus/(loss) after income tax	(633)	(5,342)
Prior Period Adjustments	-	-
Transfer from reserves	1,920	(4,270)
Non cash flows in profit		
Depreciation	806	1,008
Changes in assets and liabilities		
Decrease/(Increase) in receivable and deposit	(2,662)	(5,456)
Increase/(Decrease) in creditors	(4,707)	1,005
Increase/(Decrease) in special purpose & bequest funds	(4,937)	7,918
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	<u>(10,213)</u>	<u>(5,136)</u>

**Note 12: Entity Details**

The registered office and principal place of business of the Music Teachers' Association of NSW Ltd is:

Suite 4, 17 Frederick Street  
Oatley NSW 2223

**Meoli & Co.**

Level 1, 94 Burwood Road,  
P.O. Box 262  
BURWOOD NSW 2134

**Chartered Accountants**

ABN: 93 466 745 204

Telephone: (02) 9744-3034

Facsimile: (02) 9747-3034

Partners: Flavio Meoli B.Com F.C.A. Sarina Meoli B.Bus F.C.A.

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## **AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION**

Auditor's Independence Declaration under Section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 to the Directors of Music Teachers' Association of NSW Ltd.

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 31 December, 2015, there have been:

- (i) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit



Flavio Meoli FCA  
Registered Company Auditor  
No. 4400

Dated in Sydney on: 22 February 2016

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT  
TO THE MEMBERS OF  
MUSIC TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION OF NSW LIMITED**

I have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Music Teachers' Association of NSW Limited, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015, and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the directors' declaration.

**Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Report**

The directors of the Music Teachers' Association of NSW Limited are responsible for the Preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, which form part of the financial report, are appropriate to meet the requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The directors' responsibility also includes designing, implementing, and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial reports that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

**Auditor's Responsibility**

My responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on my audit. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used in Note 1, are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. I conducted my audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that I comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

The financial report has been prepared for the distribution to members of the purpose of fulfilling the directors' financial reporting responsibility under the *Corporations Act 2001*. I disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion

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### **Independence**

In conducting my audit, I have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*. I confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001*, provided to the directors of Music Teachers' Association of NSW Limited on 22 February 2015, would be in the same term if provided to the directors as at the date of this auditor's report.

### **Qualification**

As is common for organisations of this type, it is not practicable for the Music Teachers' Association of NSW Limited to maintain an effective system of internal control over donations and fund-raising activities. Accordingly, as the evidence available to us regarding revenue from this source was limited, my audit procedures with respect to donations and fund-raising activities had to be restricted to the amounts recorded in the financial records. I therefore are unable to express an opinion whether income from donations and fund-raising is complete.

### **Qualified Auditor's Opinion**

In my opinion, except for the effects on the financial report of such adjustments if any, as might have been required had the limitation on my audit procedures referred to in the qualification paragraph not existed, the financial statements present fairly, in all material aspects, the financial position of Music Teachers' Association of NSW Limited as at 31 December 2015 and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and the Australian Accounting Standards (including Australian Accounting Interpretations) to the extent described in Note 1.

Flavio Meoli FCA  
Registered Company Auditor  
No. 4400

Dated in Sydney on

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