

I. REPORT DATE: May 12, 2021

II. NAME OF COMMITTEE: Walter Gerboth Awards Committee

III. MEMBERS:

- Joe Clark, Chair (2019-2022)
- Nara Newcomer (2020-2023)
- Beth Fleming (2021-2024)

IV. BOARD ACTION REQUIRED: Yes, approval of the following three items:

1. Rename the Committee "Carol June Bradley and Walter Gerboth Awards Committee"
2. Revised charge for the MLA Administrative Handbook; proposed language: *This research awards committee is responsible for two annual awards. The Carol June Bradley Award for Historical Research in Music Librarianship is given for a research project. The Walter Gerboth Award is given to newer Association members or those who are new to research to help support a research project in progress. All members of this committee must be personal members. The committee consists of at least three members with staggered three-year terms, one of whom serves as chair in their third year.*
3. Revised charge for the MLA Committee listings webpage; proposed language: *Purpose: to review applications annually and recommend to the Board recipients of the Walter Gerboth Award and Carol J. Bradley Award for Historical Research in Music Librarianship.*

V. BRIEF SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES

- The call for applications will occur at the end of May 2021, with a deadline of July 31, 2021 for award applications.
- The Committee will make appropriate updates to the Committee Handbook, which was last updated in 2014.
- Beth Fleming was recruited to the committee.

VI. IMPLICIT BIAS TESTING REPORTING: Completed by all Committee members.