

Statutes of the Bundesjugendwerk

§ 1 Name and Seat

1. The children and youth organisation has the name “Bundesjugendwerk¹ der Arbeiterwohlfahrt² e V.” It is enrolled in the official register of clubs and societies.
2. It has its seat in Bonn.

§ 2 Purpose and Task

1. Purpose of the association is the promotion of the youth welfare and of youth work.
2. The purpose of the statutes will be achieved from the Bundesjugendwerk der Arbeiterwohlfahrt particularly through:
 - Supporting the building and expansion of the Jugendwerke³ of the Arbeiterwohlfahrt,
 - Attendance at measures of the Arbeiterwohlfahrt and collaboration in its committees,
 - Training and further education of employees and assistants,
 - Organization of seminars and conferences,
 - Ideation and edition of work material and central publications; Public relations,
 - International youth work and meetings,
 - Opinions on the national youth politic,
 - Testing new forms and methods in the youth wok,
 - Involvement in other actions tied up with the aims of the Jugendwerke of the Arbeiterwohlfahrt.

These priorities of the Bundesjugendwerk der Arbeiterwohlfahrt point to the guiding principles of the Jugendwerke, which are components of this statue.

The Bundesjugendwerk der Arbeiterwohlfahrt has the task to promote all the Jugendwerke. It encounters the statement as youth organization and pay attention to the compliance with the guiding principles.

3. The Bundesjugendwerk der Arbeiterwohlfahrt pursue exclusively and directly non-profit purpose in the meaning of the part “Purposes benefiting from tax concessions” of the tax law.
4. The Bundesjugendwerk der Arbeiterwohlfahrt doesn't work egoistic. In first line it doesn't chase after purpose on its own interests.

5. The tools of the Jugendwerke can only be used for the purpose of this statute. The members receive/obtain no allocation from the public money of the Bundesjugendwerk der Arbeiterwohlfahrt – excepting from possible specific contributions in order to absolve their statutes-duties. This is valid also in the case of expulsion of the member, or of the closing or abolition of the association.

6. No person can be favoured with expenditures unrelated with the purpose of the Bundesjugendwerk der Arbeiterwohlfahrt, or with disproportionately refunds.

7. With the closing or the abolition of the Bundesjugendwerk der Arbeiterwohlfahrt or the cessation of the present purposes, the fortune of the Bundesjugendwerk der Arbeiterwohlfahrt will go to the Bundesverband⁴ der Arbeiterwohlfahrt (federal association of the Arbeiterwohlfahrt).

§ 3 Membership

1. The members of the Bundesjugendwerk are the district- and federal state-Jugendwerke.
2. The Bundesjugendwerkvorstand⁵ decides on the admissions. It is possible to appeal against the rejection by the Bundesjugendkonferenz⁶.
3. The withdrawal has to be applied in a written form to the board of management of the Bundesjugendwerk at six months notice.
4. Associations, with missions in the youth work and whose activities extend over the whole country or in many federal states can join the Bundesjugendwerk der Arbeiterwohlfahrt as corporate member. The board of management of the Bundesjugendwerk decides on the admissions. The membership of the corporative organisations can be from both sides dismissed in observance of a three months notice. The concrete development of the rights and duties of the corporative members will be definitely regulated in its detailed legal form by the “Guideline for the regulation of the corporative membership”.
5. The members and the corporative members are obliged to pay contributes in accordance with the resolution of the Bundesjugendausschuss⁷.
6. The membership of a Jugendwerke can be removed. The removal has to be taken through the “Regulation Act of the Arbeiterwohlfahrt”.
7. With its withdrawal the member lose the right to use the name “Jugendwerk der Arbeiterwohlfahrt”. The new chosen name has to be clearly distinguished from the previous one. It cannot also be a simple addition to the previous name. The same is valid also for the abbreviation.

§ 4 Organs of the Jugenderwerke

The organs of the Jugendwerke are:

- a) the Bundesjugendkonferenz (federal assembly)

- b) the Bundesjugendausschuss (federal committee)
- c) the Bundesjugendwerkvorstand (federal board of management)

§ 5 Bundesjugendkonferenz

1. The Bundesjugendkonferenz meets at least one time every two years.
2. The board of management invites in writing the delegates to the Bundesjugendkonferenz within six weeks with the agenda. The board of management can call up a extraordinary Bundesjugendkonferenz. It is called on demand of at least one third of the district and federal state Jugendwerke.

The Bundesjugendkonferenz has the quorum when at least on third of the delegate and at least one third of the members are present. The quorum is determinate on request.

If the quorum is not reached, then a new Bundesjugendkonferenz has to be called up within six weeks and with a six week deadline with the same agenda. For this federal assembly the quorum is not requested; that is way the invitation should be particularly pointed out.

3. The Bundesjugendkonferenz is formed by:
 - a) The delegates of the Bundesjugendausschuss
 - b) The delegate/s of each federal state-Jugendwerke with district Jugendwerke
 - c) The delegate of the district Jugendwerke which come from states without federal state-Jugendwerk.

They can respective be:

- 3 delegates until 5 regional- town- or local Jugendwerke
- 4 delegates until 10 regional- town- or local Jugendwerke
- 5 delegates for more then 10 regional town- local Jugendwerke

4. Right to apply:

- local and town Jugendwerke
- regional Jugendwerke
- district Jugendwerke
- federal state Jugendwerke
- Bundesjugendausschuss
- Bundesjugendwerkvortsand

The applications have to be sent to the board of management six weeks before the beginning of the federal assembly.

5. The assembly gives itself rules of procedure.
6. The assembly accepts the business and inspection reports and decides on the reduction of the strain.

They elect the board of management and the inspectors

7. The decisions of the federal assembly are taken with the simple majority. Changes of the statutes can be made only by the two thirds of the delegates.

Each change of the statute has to be approved by the board of management of the Bundesverband of the Arbeiterwohlfahrt.

8. In order to decide the dissolving of the Bundesjugendwerk it is necessary a majority of three fourth of the members. It has to be approved by the board of management of the Bundesverband of the Arbeiterwohlfahrt.
9. The decisions of the federal assembly have to be put down on writing. The chairman/woman and the writer of the protocol sign them.

§ 6 Bundesjugendausschuss

1. The Bundesjugendausschuss is composed by:
 - a) the Bundesjugendvorstand
 - b) a representative from each district and federal state Jugendwerke, normally the chairman/woman or his/her substitute.
2. the Bundesjugendausschuss advise the federal board of management in all important questions:
 - Measures in order to establish and safeguard the uniformity of the organisation
 - Coordination of the politics of the organisation, in particular facing the federal nation and the federal states.
 - Statements on federal laws and takeover of new tasks
 - Guideline for the regulation of the corporative membership
 - The Bundesjugendausschuss prepare the Bundesjugendkonferenz

2a) The Bundesjugendausschuss votes not more then 4 members of the Commission for the applications before the Federal Assembly. Only one person can be elected from each federal State. The federal board of management name one of its member for being part of the Commission.

The Commission examines the irregularity of the applications, and the compatibility with the purposes of the organisation as like as the harmony with the statutes of the Bundesjugendwerk. It recommends the assembly additional handling of the application and justifies them.

3. The Bundesjugendausschuss meets at least one time in year. It can be called by the Bundesjugendwerkvorstand or by initiative of one third of its members within 14 days.

§ 7 Bundesjugendwerkvorstand

1. The board of management is elected by the Bundesjugendkonferenz. It remains in power until a new vote.
If a member of the board of management withdraws from his/her office between two federal conferences, a substitution will not be requested.
2. The board of management is composed of the Chairman/woman, two substitutes and others until 8 members.

The chairman/woman and his/her substitutes have to be major. A nominate representative of the Bundesverband der Arbeiterwohlfahrt take part to the session of the board of management and is eligibly to vote.

3. The board of management has its quorum when more than a half of its members are present. It takes its decision with a simple majority. The quorum has to be determined at the beginning of the session.
4. The board of management nominates a major member to take part to the session of the board of management of the Bundesverband der Arbeiterwohlfahrt.
5. The board of management accomplices thanks to its activities the purpose and the duty of the Bundesjugendwerk according to §2 N. 2 as representative of the Bundesjugendkonferenz and of the Bundesjugendausschuss. It assures especially the ability to work of the office⁸, and the fulfilment of particular duties through the statutes, the Bundesjugendkonferenz and the Bundesjugendwerk. The board of management decides every time on who has to represent the Bundesjugendwerk and let it know to the members. The Bundesjugendvorstand works with transparency in relation with its members. It has to report on its work to the Bundesjugendkonferenz, the Bundesjugendausschuss and to the Bundesvorstand and the Bundeasausschuss of the Arbeiterwohlfahrt.
6. The board of management, according with §26 BGB are the chairman/woman and his/her representatives. Each one has the right to represent the board of management.
7. In order to lead the office, the board of management can appoint a managing director. She/he is as particular representative, according to §30 BGB authorized to look after the economic, administrative and personal affairs. She/he takes consultative part to the meetings of the board of management. The board of management may regulate the details of the office direction of the particular representative through a general instructions and directive for each case.

§ 8 Finance

1. The incomes are made up as it follows:
 - a) Allocations of the Bundesverband of the Arbeiterwohlfahrt
 - b) Contributions of the members of the Bundesjugendwerk.
 - c) Allocations from open devices, offers, gains from activities
 - d) Contributions for precise purposes.
2. The Jugendwerk is independent in the use of its devices.
For the income/acceptant of obligations, which go beyond the frame of the discretionary use or contributions for precise purposes (Federal, Bundesverband), the approval from the Bundesvorstand of the Arbeiterwohlfahrt is to obtain.
3. All the duties and incomes have to be backed up and will be proved by equal inspectors of the Bundesjugendwerk and of the Bundesverband of the Arbeiterwohlfahrt.

§ 9 Approval of the statutes

The statute requires the approval of board of management of the Bundesverband of the Arbeiterwohlfahrt.

§ 10 Right of inspection and exam

The Bundesjugendwerk underlay the supervision and exam through the board of management of the Bundesverband of the Arbeiterwohlfahrt.

¹ Federal Youth factory

² Syndicate: its name means workers' welfare.

³ Local youth factory

⁴ Federal level of the Arbeiterwohlfahrt.

⁵ Board of management of the Bundesjugendwerk.

⁶ Federal assembly of the Bundesjugendwerk

⁷ Federal Committee of the Bundesjugendwerk

⁸ The Bundesjugendwerk has an office with employees which takes care of the general administration of the organisation.