



## **MOSGB - Internal Rules**

(Youth Organization under Union of the Deaf in Bulgaria)

### **General Provisions**

- 1.1. Youth Organization is a civic alliance of young deaf members of the Union of the Deaf in Bulgaria "UDB".
- 1.2. The youth organization to the UDB (MOSGB) is not a legal entity. It carries out the activity in accordance with the statutes from Union of the Deaf in Bulgaria.
- 1.3. The Youth Organization is a voluntary organization of youth from Regional Organizations (ROs) in the country who are under the UDB. It carries out public benefit activities.

### **Seat and address**

- 2.1. The address of the youth organization is, where appropriate, the seat of the Central Office of the UDB: ul. Denkoglu 12-14, 1000 Sofia

### **Objectives, tasks and activities**

- 3.1. The MOSGB is a national non-profit organization with the framework of the UDB and have the focus on deaf youth people in Bulgaria.
- 3.2. To support and assist deaf young people in the country in order to integrate them into society. Work to increase the social engagement of deaf young people.
- 3.3. To actively assist the UDB in improving the quality of education of the non-elderly youth.
- 3.4. To attract and organize young people for active participation in the implementation of the joint and youth annual programs, both at the national level and at the national level.
- 3.5. To support the activities of youth organizations under the ROs, constantly informing them about topical issues and tasks.
- 3.6. To investigate the problems of the young people and to look for ways to solve them in a timely manner by informing and seeking the cooperation of the UDB and, if necessary, European Union of the Deaf Youth.

- 3.7. Being a member of EUDY (European Union of the Deaf Youth), WFDYS (World Federation of young deaf sections) and NYF (National Youth Forum of Bulgaria).
- 3.8. Enrich its activity and maintain contacts with local youth organizations to exchange experience at national level as well as with international youth organizations.
- 3.9. To inform the citizens about the active life of young people, as well as their achievements through the newspaper "Silence", the Bulgarian National Television "Specialized Handout for Hearing Impaired Citizens" and other media.

### **Definition**

- 4.1. The term "young deaf" includes children and refers to any person under the age of 35.
- 4.2. The term "deaf" refers to any person with hearing loss, especially those who use their national sign language as their preferred or preferred language.
- 4.3. MOSGBs are aware that the cultural term "deaf" can be an evolving concept and may need to be adapted as a result of social and autistic changes.

### **Ordinary Membership of MOSGB**

- 5.1. Member may be every young deaf aged 16 to 35 years old who is a member of UDB paid with federal dues for the year.
- 5.2. Members over 35 can become supportive members.
- 5.2. The membership is certified by the membership card of the UDB.
- 5.3. Membership of the MOSGB shall be terminated upon denial of membership of the UDB and in accordance with the provisions of the Statute of the UDB.

### **Membership structure**

- 6.1. Supporting Members
- 6.2. Associate Members
- 6.3. Sponsoring Members

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- 6.1. Any person over 35 years of age who resides in Bulgaria who has an interest in young deaf in youth affairs and believes that he can contribute to the

achievement of the objectives of the MOSGB can apply for a supporting member.

- 6.2. As an associated member, all Bulgarian or European organizations (reflecting Council of Europe member states), which have similar goals to the MOSGB and as support for deaf youth activities, can be accepted as Associate Member.
- 6.3. Foundations, charities and social incentive companies based in one or more European countries are interested in Bulgarian Deaf Youth, believe that they can contribute to the achievement of the objectives of the MOSGB and follow the sponsorship criteria, can become as Sponsoring Member.

### **Rights and Obligations of Members of the MOSGB**

7.1. Members are entitled:

- 7.1.1. to vote 18-year-olds and juveniles up to 35 years of age and to be elected in the structures of the MOSGB;
- 7.1.2. to participate in the activities of both the MOSGB and the UDB, as well as to be informed about decisions, projects and results;
- 7.1.3. make suggestions, observations and fight for issues related to the work of the MOSGB and request their resolution;
- 7.1.4. to participate in meetings, seminars and other events of the MOSGB, EUDY, WFDYS, NYF and other cooperation partners.

7.2. Members are required to:

- 7.2.1. to participate in the MOSGB events;
- 7.2.2. to pay annually the membership fee;
- 7.2.3. subscribe to the newspaper "Silence";
- 7.2.4. to report the change of address;
- 7.2.5. comply with the Statute of the UDB.

### **Organizational structure and election of board**

8.1. Organizational structure:

- 1) General National Youth Assembly.
- 2) National Council of the Youth Organization to the Deaf Union in Bulgaria (MOSGB)
- 3) Regional Youth Council (MROs).

- 8.2. The mandate of the Chairpersons of the MOSGB is two years and the MRO is one year. They can be elected to two consecutive mandates as of the General National Youth Assembly in October or November.
- 8.3. The mandate of the members of the MOSGB are two years and the MROs are one year.
- 8.4. All MOSGB and MROs bodies are elected by open or secret ballot.

### **General National Youth Assembly**

- 9.1. The General National Youth Assembly is held in Bulgarian Sign Language (BTSL) and in Bulgarian written form.
- 9.2. The General National Youth Assembly is the supreme body of the MOSGB and is held once a year.
- 9.3. The date for holding the General National Youth Assembly shall be announced at least one month before its announcement.
- 9.4. Young people who are representatives of the youth organizations of the MROs participate in the General Assembly. The number of representative groups is determined by the National Council of MOSGB. The meeting is regular if there is usually a majority.
- 9.5. The General Assembly discusses mainly on its agenda.
  - 9.5.1. The Report of the National Youth Council.
  - 9.5.2. The next year programs.
  - 9.5.3. Approves, amends and supplements the Rules of the MOSGB.
  - 9.5.4. Votes the number and dismisses the members of the National Council of MOSGB.
- 9.6. The financial report shall be included in the documents for holding a National Reporting and Electoral Assembly.

### **National Council of the MOSGB**

- 10.1. The National Council of MOSGB is an executive body. The Council manages the work of the Youth Organization between the General Assemblies.
- 10.2. The National Youth Council consists at least three (3) members, can be extended to seven (7) members if the financial situation can offer this.
- 10.3. The candidates for the National Council of MOSGB must send their application minimum two weeks before the General National Young Assembly.

- 10.4. Only the actual board members of National Council of MOSGB or board of MROs can send their personal application as candidates for the new National Council of MOSGB.
- 10.5. The Council develops its activity programs, prepares its reports, manages and manages the activities of the MOSGB.
- 10.6. The chairman of the MOSGB manages the General Assemblies. In the event of illness or other reasons, he shall be replaced by the Deputy Chairperson.
- 10.7. The National Youth Council holds its meetings at least once every three (3) months on an agreed annual agenda with an agenda that can be complemented by topical subjects.

### **Regional Young Council of MOSGB**

- 11.1. The Regional Youth Council (MROs) is an executive body. The Council manages the work of the Regional Youth Organization between annual meetings.
- 11.2. The District Youth Council shall consist of 3-5 members elected at a report-election meeting of the youth, which shall precede the General Reporting and Electoral Assembly of the MROs.
- 11.3. The MROs develops annual activity programs, reports, manages and manages youth work.
- 11.4. The MROs holds at least one sitting for three months.
- 11.5. The chair manages youth meetings. In the event of illness or other reasons, he shall be replaced by the Deputy Chairperson.
- 11.6. Select a new leader of the MROs to be done until 30<sup>th</sup> September.

### **Quote and Vote**

- 12.1. The General Assembly may only vote on a matter on the agenda or on any other subject which has been approved by the majority of all delegates present at the General National Youth Assembly.
- 12.2. Each MROs has the right to two (2) votes in the General National Young Assembly.
- 12.3. The quorum always includes more than 50% of those who have the right to vote.
- 12.4. Voting can be done by roll-call vote by showing hands or at the request of at least one (1) delegate, by secret ballot, which can be done electronically. All questions, except proposals for changes to the Internal Rules or for the dissolution of the MOSGB (which require a three-fourths majority (3/4)), may

be taken by a simple majority. If the number of votes is equal, the second ballot shall be vote in the General National Young Assembly.

## **Protocols**

- 12.1. Minutes of each General National Young Assembly are drawn up by one or more persons negotiated by the Council and the president before the General Meeting and approved by the delegates of the General National Young Assembly.
- 12.2. The minutes of each general meeting shall be signed by the president and the Secretary of the General National Young Assembly.
- 12.3. The minutes of General National Young Assembly will be sent to the MROs at the latest two (2) months after the General National Young Assembly.

## **Documents of the General Assembly**

- 13.1. All documents related to the general meeting must be sent to the MROs at least two (2) weeks before it happens.
- 13.2. Documents shall include at least:
  - Agenda
  - Protocol (last General National Youth Assembly)
  - Internal Rules
  - Annual Report
  - and include all documents, which may be important for the MOSGB

## **Young Control Commission (testing period)**

- 14.1. There is an independent commission which consists two (2) members.
- 14.2. Both members have to visit UDB headquarter in Sofia and reviewing all financial documents of MOSGB of current year (from last General National Young Assembly).
- 14.3. The date of commission will happen in September for the months from last GA until end August. The controlling of left months until GA will reviewing in the location of General National Young Assembly before this starts.
- 14.3. Make a financial statement as report in General National Young Assembly.