

STATUTE Youth Forum of Nasa Stranka

General articles

Article 1

The Statute of Nasa Stranka Youth Forum's organization and operation (hereafter: Statute) regulates the inner organization and work principles, the rights and duties of its members, as well as the other questions important for the good functioning of Nasa Stranka Youth Forum.

Article 2

- 1) Nasa Stranka Youth Forum is a permanent branch of *Nasa Stranka* which gathers *Nasa Stranka's* members, not older than 30 years of age, whose founding principles, activity area and methods are regulated with this Statute.
- 2) The full title of the organization is: Youth Forum of Nasa Stranka (hereafter: Youth Forum)
- 3) The abbreviation YFNS is also being used
- 4) The goals of Youth Forum overlap with the goals of *Nasa Stranka*.

Article 3

The visual identity of Youth Forum must follow the visual identity of the party determined with the Statute acts (color, font, etc.). It is approved with the decision of the Youth Forum Presidency, and confirmed by *Nasa Stranka* Presidency.

Article 4

- 1) Youth Forum acts within all *Nasa Stranka's* branches and authority sectors to accomplish the goals and basic program principles of *Nasa Stranka* in accordance to the decisions of *Nasa Stranka* Presidency.
- 2) Youth Forum has right to create its own activity plan, program, and also the politics that are directed towards the problem solving of the young adults, and they can be confirmed by the Presidency of *Nasa Stranka*.

Membership

Article 5

- 1) The member of the Youth Forum can be any member of *Nasa Stranka* who is between 18 and 30 years of age.
- 2) Adults between 16 and 18 years of age can become joined Youth Forum members with all rights and duties as the full-time members, except for the right to vote or be elected to the Youth Forum Presidency.

- 3) Once the joined members turn 18 years of age, they can be members of the Youth Forum Presidency.

Article 6

Admirers of *Nasa Stranka* can participate and cooperate in the actions of the Youth Forum, and they can also be invited to the Youth Forum's meetings and work groups or Presidency; nevertheless, they do not have the right to take part in decision making and they must confirm their attendance at the meeting in advance.

Article 7

Statute acts of *Nasa Stranka* on rights and duties of members of *Nasa Stranka* equally apply on the members of Youth Forum.

Article 8

Membership ends when:

- members turn 30 years of age (except when the member is already elected and serves a sector of Youth Forum; in that case, the membership for Youth Forum ends with the mandate conclusion, without the right for re-election)
- a notice of resignation from the Youth Forum membership is submitted
- a notice of resignation from *Nasa Stranka* membership is submitted
- higher authorities of *Nasa Stranka* make decision on exclusion from *Nasa Stranka* membership, in accordance to the Statute
- The Presidency of Youth Forum makes the decision on exclusion from the Youth Forum membership, in the case a member's acts harm the Youth Forum.

Authority structure of the Youth Forum

Article 9

Authority structure of Youth Forum consists of: the Youth Forum Assembly, the Youth Forum Presidency and work sectors.

Youth Forum Assembly

Article 10

The Youth Forum Assembly consists of all members of the Youth Forum. The Youth Forum Assembly must have at least five members. The Assembly assents to the decisions brought by the Youth Forum Presidency, recommends and gives its comments on ideas and work of the Youth Forum Presidency.

Youth Forum Assembly Meetings

Article 11

- 1) Youth Forum Assembly meets at least once a month. The Assembly meetings are scheduled by the president of the Youth Forum at least seven (7) days prior to the planned date, whereas in the emergency cases, other appropriate techniques can be applied and meetings can be scheduled sooner. Meetings, firstly authorized by the president, can also be scheduled by the vice-president of the Forum.

- 2) Quorum for the decision making at the Assembly meeting is majority comprising fifty one percent ($1/2+1$) of its members present at the meeting.
- 3) When requested by the $1/3$ of Youth Forum members, the president or the vice-president is obliged to call the meeting of the Assembly within 15 (fifteen) days from the date of request receipt. Reasoned requests are submitted in the written form with the proposed agenda for the Assembly meeting. In the case the president or the vice-president does not call a meeting in accordance with the request of the $1/3$ (one third) of the members, the meeting can be scheduled by the Presidency of *Nasa Stranka*.
- 4) Minutes of the Assembly meeting are taken and they contain: the ordinal number of the meeting, venue, time and day of the meeting, meeting agenda, the number and names of the present board members and other present personnel, the names of the absent board members, brief discussion notes of the speakers and presentation of the concrete suggestions and conclusions.
- 5) Assembly meeting minutes are taken by the Youth Forum secretary. In the case of his/her absence, the minutes are taken by a clerk assigned by the president at the beginning of the meeting and approved by the present members at the first next meeting.
- 6) The Youth Forum Assembly adopts the Minutes and the Agenda $1/2+1$ (one over half majority) at the beginning of each next meeting. The adopted minutes are signed by the president of the Youth Forum.
The minutes are delivered to the:
 - a) Members of the Youth Forum of *Nasa Stranka*
 - b) Secretariat of *Nasa Stranka*
 - c) Presidency of *Nasa Stranka*

Youth Forum Presidency

Article 12

- 1) The Youth Forum Presidency (hereafter: the Presidency) governs the Youth Forum.
- 2) The Presidency carries out all the activities and makes decisions in accordance to the Forum Statute, work Program and also in accordance with the documents and goals of *Nasa Stranka*.
- 3) The Presidency can initiate to revoke, add or alter the Forum Statute, Presidency work Program and other acts adopted by the Forum Assembly, and they also prepare the proposals for these initiatives.
- 4) The amendment proposals for these documents must be sent to all members of the Forum at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting where the review and the discussion on their adoption will take place.
- 5) The decision on the amendments is made at the Youth Forum Presidency meeting.
- 6) The decision can be made based on the proposal of the Youth Forum Assembly member previously presented at the Assembly meeting or sent in the written form not later than seven days of the scheduled meeting of the Youth Forum Presidency.

The Structure of the Presidency

Article 13

- 1) Youth Forum Presidency consist of:
 - president
 - vice-president
 - secretary
 - up to 20 (twenty) members (at least 1 from each Region)

- 2) Youth Forum Presidency is the decision making body that consists of the elected Forum members.
- 3) At the congress of Youth Forum Nasa Stranka, the designated delegates vote and elect the Presidency members.
- 4) The Presidency adopts the Statute, the Rules of Procedure of Youth Forum work and also the work program of the Youth Forum Presidency. The Presidency makes decisions that concern the Statute amendments, as well as the amendments on the Rules of Procedures of Youth Forum work and work program of the Youth Forum Presidency, it elects and resigns the members of the Youth Forum Presidency, it gives the approval for the Youth Forum's working groups appointments and adopts the program documents of the working groups. When needed, the Presidency can make decisions about passing and adopting other general acts that are of interest for all Forum members.
- 5) New members of the Presidency are elected by the members within the Youth Forum Presidency.
- 6) If the Presidency of *Nasa Stranka* dismisses the Presidency of Youth Forum, the Youth Forum Assembly will appoint new Presidency in accordance to the regulations of *Nasa Stranka* Statute.
- 7) The mandate of the Presidency members is two (2) years with the right for one re-election.
- 8) The Presidency president, vice-president and secretary also serve the positions of the Youth Forum president, Vice-president and secretary.
- 9) The mandate of these positions is two (2) years with the right for one re-election.

Presidency Meetings

Article 14

- 1) The Presidency members are obliged to attend the Presidency meetings.
- 2) At the Forum Assembly meetings, the president is obliged to inform the Assembly about the regular attendance of all Presidency members, about the required changes in its structure, about his/her work, activities and decisions.
- 3) The president calls the meetings of the Youth Forum Presidency. In the case he/she is prevented, the vice-president can call the meeting with the president's approval.
- 4) When requested by the 1/3 (one third) of the Presidency members, the president is obliged to call the Presidency meeting within 15 days from the date of request receipt.
- 5) Reasoned requests are submitted in the written form with the proposed agenda for the Presidency meeting. In the case the president or the vice-president does not call a meeting in accordance with the request of the 1/3 (one third) of the members, the meeting can be scheduled by the Presidency of *Nasa Stranka*.
- 6) The president of the Youth Forum Presidency prepares and runs the Presidency meetings and signs the Presidency acts.
- 7) The Presidency works at the meetings that can be regular or exceptional.
- 8) The regular meetings are kept at the usual time slots that the Presidency confirms in their work plan, and they occur at least once a month.
- 9) The Youth Forum president calls the Presidency meetings at last 5 (five) days in advance, whereas in the case of the emergency other appropriate techniques can be applied and meetings can be scheduled sooner. Meetings, firstly authorized by the president, can also be scheduled by the vice-president of the Forum.
- 10) Agenda of the Presidency meeting contains all the suggestions received at least two days prior to the scheduled meeting, whereas the suggestions submitted after the deadline, as well as the proposals presented at the meeting itself, can be reviewed af-

ter the review of the planned topics, unless the majority of the present members agrees to consider the raised questions sooner.

- 11) It is voted for the Presidency agenda.
- 12) Exceptional meeting can be called by the Youth Forum president or by at least 5 (five) Presidency members, to consider the issues whose importance cannot wait for the next regular meeting.
- 13) The decision for scheduling the exceptional meeting must list the questions that will be reviewed at the exceptional meeting.
- 14) The agenda of the exceptional meeting cannot be amended and it is not voted for.
- 15) Apart from the members of the Youth Forum Presidency, the members of the *Nasa Stranka* Presidency, in charge of monitoring the work of the Youth Forum Presidency, can also attend the regular and exceptional meetings of the Youth Forum Presidency. When the Youth Forum Presidency approves the necessity of their attendance, the meetings of the Youth Forum Presidency can also be attended by the other personnel, and they must confirm their attendance at the meeting in advance.
- 16) Quorum for the Youth Forum Presidency is $\frac{1}{2}$ of the Presidency members.

The Decisions of Youth Forum Presidency

Article 15

- 1) The decisions are made with the majority of at least fifty one percent ($\frac{1}{2}+1$) of its members present at the meeting.
- 2) The voting is expressed with: FOR, AGAINST and RESERVED, and the valid votes are votes *for* and *against* a given proposal.
- 3) A member of the Youth Forum Presidency who votes against a proposal that is eventually adopted can require to have his/her voting reasons minuted.
- 4) Voting, as a rule, is publicly performed.
- 5) The Youth Forum Presidency can decide to have voting on certain issues performed secretly.
- 6) Only members present at the meeting have right to vote.
- 7) Voting by the phone or email is possible only when the Presidency decides at the meeting that it can be carried out due to the importance of the issue on the agenda.

Minutes

Article 16

Meeting minutes are taken by the board secretary. In the case of his/her absence, the minutes are taken by a clerk assigned by the chairman/chairwoman at the beginning of the Presidency meeting.

Minutes contain:

- time and venue of the meeting,
- the number of the meeting,
- meeting agenda,
- the names of the present members,
- the names of the absent members and the reasons for their absence (whether it is justified or not),
- names of the other present participants at the meeting,
- brief discussion points of the speakers and the overview of the concrete suggestions and conclusions,
- voting results on given questions.

Article 17

- 1) The minutes are signed by the president or vice-president in the case when he/she, authorized by the president, chairs the meeting.
- 2) The minutes are adopted at the first next meeting, after the discussion on the eventual complaint on the minutes is concluded.
- 3) The Presidency vice-president replaces the president in the case of his/her incapability or cessation of his/her acting duty before the end of his/her mandate in all the questions of their authority.
- 4) The Presidency meetings are held at least once a month.
- 5) The Presidency of *Nasa Stranka* has right to require a meeting of Youth Forum and assign agenda for it.

Youth President

Article 18

- 1) The president of the Youth Forum is also the president of the Assembly and Youth Forum Presidency.
- 2) Only the members of the Youth Forum Presidency can be nominated for the president.
- 3) The president is elected by the members of the Youth Forum Presidency, and the nomination is confirmed at the Youth Forum Assembly.
- 4) Mandate of the president is 2 (two) years, after which a re-election is possible.
- 5) The president:
 - runs and represents the Youth Forum
 - prepares, calls and runs the meetings of the Assembly and Presidency in cooperation with the vice-president
 - makes sure that the board work plans are executed, and is responsible for the draft preparations and proposals of the political decisions and other acts within the Presidency domain
 - supervises the organization, planning and implementation of the activities, as well as the implementation of the Presidency decisions
 - takes care of the rights and duties of the Youth Forum Presidency/Assembly members
 - looks after the relationship between the Youth Forum and other sectors of *Nasa Stranka*
 - looks after the relationship between the Youth Forum and other youth sectors in B&H, in the region and internationally
 - looks after the publicity of the Youth Forum accomplishments and after the initiatives and suggestions of organization members, supporters and citizens
 - signs the decisions made by the Presidency
 - runs other duties determined by the party Statute or this Statute, as well as the obligations assigned by the Assembly, Youth Forum Presidency, party Presidency or the main Board
- 6) Once a year, the president informs the Youth Forum Assembly on his/her work and submits the report on his/her work to the Presidency of *Nasa Stranka* for adoption.
- 7) The president of the Youth Forum is automatically the member of the *Nasa Stranka* Presidency.

Disqualification of the Assigned President of the Youth Forum

Article 19

The disqualification of the assigned president of the Youth Forum occurs when:

- letter of resignation is submitted personally
- over half of the members of the Youth Forum Presidency vote distrust
- the Forum membership status is deprived in accordance to the Article 8 of this Statute
- mandate ends

Youth Forum Working Sectors

Article 20

- 1) To consider the Presidency jurisdiction; give the opinion and proposals for its successful political act in the certain work areas; make program documents as well as execute the obligations from the adopted work program of the Presidency
- 2) The Presidency, supported by the Assembly, educates the working sectors.
- 3) With the Presidency's approval, the working sectors are educated, their members assigned and working methods determined. The members of the work sectors can be all Forum members in accordance to their capability, and with the approval of the Forum Presidency.
- 4) The Youth Forum Presidency decides on adoption of the program documents of the work sectors.

Public Work

Article 21

- 1) The work of Forum is public and open for all initiatives and proposals of the Youth Forum members, supporters and citizens, and also other party's sectors.
- 2) The reports on the completed actions are mandatory and they are submitted by the Youth Forum president at the *Nasa Stranka* Presidency meetings.

Article 22

- 1) Statute Regulations are interpreted by the Youth Forum Assembly. The initiative for the amendments can be given by any sector or Youth Forum member, as well as by the Presidency of *Nasa Stranka*.
- 2) The initiative is considered by the Youth Forum Assembly and it decides on starting the procedure for the Youth Forum Statute amendments, whereas the decision on amendments is made by the Youth Forum Presidency.

Article 23

The questions regulated with this Statute are determined in accordance to the Statute of *Nasa Stranka*.

Statute YFNS

Coming into Force

Article 24

This Statute comes into force with the day of its approval.

Sarajevo, June 6, 2016

Signature of the President of *Nasa Stranka's* Youth Forum:
