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## **Statutes of *Allgemeiner Hochschulsport* (Academic Sports Services)**

**at Justus Liebig University Giessen**

**(AHS Statutes) of 4 April 2017**

Pursuant to § 37 Para. 8 of the Hessian Higher Education Act of 14 December 2009 (Gazette of Laws and Ordinances, I 2009, P. 666), last amended by law on 30 November 2015 (Gazette of Laws and Ordinances, P. 510), the Executive Board of Justus Liebig University issued the following Statutes on 3 May 2017:

### **§ 1 Legal form and mission**

(1) Justus Liebig University runs the Central Technical Facility “Allgemeiner Hochschulsport” (ahs) (Academic Sports Services) in order to further its members’ interest in sport.

(2) The programme offered by ahs serves the following purposes:

1. Promotion of health
2. Experience orientation
3. Integration
4. Support of foci of Justus Liebig University and
5. Establishment of sport as an ambassador for Justus Liebig University.

(3) For these purposes ahs presents a wide programme covering e.g. classes and events oriented towards health, popular sports and competitive sports.

### **§ 2 Bodies**

Bodies of ahs are:

1. The Head (ahs Head)
2. The Assembly of Course Instructors
3. The Sports Spokesperson
4. The Advisory Board

### **§3 Head**

(1) The ahs Head is appointed by the President with the approval of the Advisory Board. He/she is the representative and administrator of ahs and is in charge of all matters not entrusted to another body. The head is in particular in charge of

1. Putting together and publishing the programme of events and classes per semester (semester programme)
2. Planning and conducting the events and classes
3. Managing the ahs staff
4. Drawing up the annual budget
5. Drawing up a long-term structural plan
6. Setting the course fees pursuant to § 9 Para. 2
7. Allocating the personnel funding and non-personnel funding from the University Executive Board
8. Establishing and fostering co-operations within and outside Justus Liebig University
9. Sending athletes to sports competitions held by academic sports associations
10. Representing Justus Liebig University at the *Allgemeiner Deutscher Hochschulsportverband* (German Association of Academic Sports Services) with the Sports Spokesperson
11. Annual report to the President on the management of ahs.

(2) The budget pursuant to Para. 1 No. 4 and the structural plan pursuant to Para. 1 No. 5 require the approval of the University Executive Board. The setting of the course fees pursuant to Para. 1 No. 6 in conjunction with § 9 Para. 2 requires the approval of the University Director of Finance and Administration.

(3) The ahs Head informs the President of essential processes at the *Allgemeiner Deutscher Hochschulsportverband* (German Association of Academic Sports Services) and at other institutions relevant to the work of ahs.

#### **§ 4 Assembly of Course Instructors**

(1) The Assembly of Course Instructors comprises the course instructors employed at ahs.

(2) The Assembly of Course Instructors makes a statement on

1. The semester programme
2. The planning and conducting of classes and events and
3. The proposed purchase of equipment.

(3) The Assembly of Course Instructors is convened and chaired by the Sports Spokesperson at least once a year before the beginning of the teaching period of the Winter Semester. The Advisory Board

shall be invited. Minutes of the meeting shall be taken and submitted to the ahs Head and the University Executive Board.

### **§ 5 Sports Spokesperson**

(1) At the suggestion of the ahs Head, the Assembly of Course Instructors shall elect the Sports Spokesperson and his/her deputy. Both must belong to the group of students. The office shall be held for one year and begins every 15 November. Re-election is permissible.

(2) In co-operation with the ahs Head, the Sports Spokesperson shall represent the interests of the users of ahs and has the following duties:

1. Organisation and conducting of competitions and tournaments
2. Co-ordination of the participation of students in national and international competitions and tournaments in consultation with the ahs Head
3. Public relations work for competitive sport and for classes and events
4. Representation of Justus Liebig University at the *Allgemeiner Deutscher Hochschulsportverband* (German Association of Academic Sports Services) together with the ahs Head.

### **§ 6 Advisory Board**

(1) The Advisory Board comprises one member of the University Executive Board, the Head of the Department of Sports Science as well as the ahs Head and the Sports Spokesperson.

(2) The Advisory Board has the following duties:

1. Consultation over the strategic orientation of the classes and events of ahs
2. Support of the ahs Head in the elaboration of the content of classes and events
3. Collaboration with the ahs Head to support ahs within and outside Justus Liebig University
4. Co-ordination of the co-operation between ahs and the Department of Sports Science.

(3) The Advisory Board convenes at least once a year before the Assembly of Course Instructors.

### **§ 7 Co-operation with the Department of Sports Science**

(1) Matters concerning the interests of both ahs and the Department of Sports Science require mutual ratification. The University Executive Board may issue guidelines for this.

(2) In matters pursuant to Para. 1, the ahs Head shall attend meetings of the board of directors of the Department of Sports Science in an advisory capacity. He/she shall be invited within the required period to the relevant items on the agenda.

(3) The ahs Head and the Head of the Department of Sports Science have the right to determine who shall be allowed access to the sports facilities and premises at Kugelberg 62; this shall be without prejudice to the President's general right of access.

## **§ 8 Authorisation to the Right of Use**

(1) No claim to the carrying out of classes or events may be made. For a pertinent reason, in particular in the case of the lack of participants, the ahs Head shall have the right to shift, merge or cancel classes or events.

(2) Members of Justus Liebig University Giessen, of the University of Applied Sciences (THM) and of Philipps-Universität Marburg may participate in the classes and events. Former members, guest students and other persons may be admitted only subject to spare places. The ahs Head may limit or exclude admission of guests if admission runs counter to the interests of the parties mentioned in Sentence 1.

(3) The application for admission shall be submitted via the online form on the ahs internet pages. The ahs Head shall determine the details of the procedure and publish them on said pages. For admission, the applicant must issue a mandate for direct debit for the fee.

(4) Admission is carried out by the ahs Head and constitutes a contract of usage which is subject to law and whose content arises from these statutes and the Regulations of Usage pursuant to § 10 Para. 4. Admission is binding and not transferable. Termination and possible re-constitution of the contract of usage (cancellation, re-booking) are only possible if classes or events do not take place pursuant to Para. 1. The ahs Head shall decide on exceptions in duly justified cases.

(5) The ahs Head shall keep a list of users upon admission with the required personal data (in particular name, status, address, email address and bank account).

## **§ 9 Fee for Usage**

(1) For using the ahs, a fee shall be paid which is composed of the semester fee and the fees for the individual classes and events. The semester fee is to be paid per semester for the general right of usage (ahs-ticket) and amounts to

1. 10 Euro for students of Justus Liebig University Giessen, of the University of Applied Sciences (THM) and of Philipps-Universität Marburg
2. 17 Euro for other members of said universities
3. 35 Euro for guests.

(2) The course fees are to be paid for the use of the individual classes and events. Their amount shall be fixed by the ahs Head with the approval of the University Director of Finance and Administration and shall be published in an appropriate manner.

(3) Payment of the fee is due together with admission. Whoever does not meet the payment shall be excluded from all classes and events. This shall be without prejudice to the possibility of administrative enforcement.

## **§ 10 Terms and Conditions of Usage**

(1) During use of ahs any conduct is strictly prohibited which may disrupt the regular operation of a class or event, especially conduct which may be detrimental to other users or endanger persons, premises or equipment. Instructions by the course instructor or other person in authority appointed by the ahs Head are to be observed.

(2) Admittance to the sports premises, facilities and premises during opening hours is granted to registered users who have not been excluded pursuant to Para. 5 or to § 9 Para. 3. Course instructors and other persons authorised by the ahs Head are allowed to check right of admittance and deny admittance to trespassers. Right to admittance is proved by the certificate of general usage authorisation (ahs-ticket) in conjunction with student or staff identification or other official form of identification with a passport photograph.

(3) The sports premises, facilities and buildings may be closed temporarily on account of examinations, competitions, civic events or comparable events, as well as on account of cleaning, maintenance or repair work or an act of God. If the ahs classes and events concerned cannot be relocated with reasonable effort, fees paid for the cancelled classes and events shall not be refunded.

(4) Particulars of opening hours, admittance to sports premises, facilities and buildings as well as rules of conduct during use of the same are ordained by the ahs Head in conjunction with the Head of the Department of Sports Science by means of Regulations of Usage which shall be displayed on notice boards or announced by other suitable means.

(5) Whoever repeatedly or grossly violates these statutes or regulations or instructions arising from these statutes may be expelled temporarily or permanently from all or individual classes or events. This applies particularly in the case of danger to persons, in the case of improper use of equipment or facilities or misuse of admission certificates (e.g. transfer to third parties). Temporary expulsion from a class or event for the rest of the day (sending-off) may be ordered by course instructors or other persons authorised by the ahs Head. The decision on continuing forms of expulsion shall be made by the ahs Head in a written notification. Admission certificates for classes or events affected by expulsion shall be confiscated; paid fees shall not be refunded.

## **§ 11 Liability**

(1) Use of the classes and events run by ahs is essentially at the risk of the user. Justus Liebig University is liable in the case of damage to users in accordance with the legal regulations. Statutory accident insurance protection remains unaffected (see Information issued by the ahs Head).

(2) Users are liable for damage which they cause through culpable violations of these statutes or of regulations or instructions arising from these statutes. For damage to sports equipment or other property they are liable pursuant to general principles according to civil law.

(3) Justus Liebig University is not liable for damage in classes or events run by third parties.

## **§ 12 Enactment**

These statutes shall come into force the day after they have been announced and shall be valid for the first time for the semester programme of Summer Semester 2017. Simultaneously, the statutes for the Central Technical Facility *Allgemeiner Hochschulsport* (Academic Sports Service) of Justus Liebig University (AHS) dated 14 February 2006 (MUG (University Bulletin) 2.32.03 No. 1 of 9 May 2006) and the Regulation on charges levied by Justus Liebig University Giessen for *Allgemeiner Hochschulsport* (Academic Sports Service) dated 14 February 2006 (MUG (University Bulletin) 2.32.03 No. 2 of 9 May 2006) shall be rendered invalid.